

### **CAP post-2020: Networking**

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# Why network?

- > Networks as platforms for exchange of knowledge
- > Effective networking can bring added value for:
  - The rural economy, social partners, research and civil society
  - Member State administrations implementing policy
  - The Commission and EU institutions in general'\*

\*Source: Strategic Framework for EU Rural Networks 2014-2020



## **European & National CAP Networks**

Article 113 - CAP Strategic Plan Regulation



### Implications of New CAP for Networking

#### **Increased importance:**

- ➤ New delivery model → more flexibility and subsidiarity
- > Increased need for peer to peer exchanges, knowledge sharing and stakeholder involvement
- > Emphasis on knowledge & innovation
- > Tool to communicate on CAP and what it delivers

#### **COM** proposal:

- Recognises networks as a "key tool to drive and steer policy"
- ➤ Builds on good experience from the current 2 EU-level Rural Networks (ENRD & EIP-AGRI) and National Rural Networks (NRNs)



### European & National CAP Networks [Art. 113]

#### Platforms for exchange of knowledge

#### **Structures:**

- ✓ National CAP Network
- ✓ Single European CAP Network

#### **Networking objectives:**

- ✓ Increase involvement of stakeholders in CAP Strategic Plans
- ✓ Supporting MS in the implementation of CAP Plans
- ✓ Facilitating peer-to-peer learning and interaction at all levels
- ✓ Fostering innovation & knowledge transfer in an inclusive way.
- ✓ Supporting monitoring and evaluation capacities at all levels
- ✓ Contribute to disseminating CAP plan results



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#### Main tasks:

- ✓ Collection, analysis, dissemination of information/good practices under CSP
- ✓ Capacity building at all levels, including monitoring and evaluation.
- ✓ Analytical work on agriculture and rural areas relevant for CAP plans
- ✓ Facilitating exchange of experience and peer-to-peer learning between stakeholders
- ✓ Facilitating networking of structures and projects, i.e. LAGs, EIP OGs, etc.
- ✓ Linking to other Union strategies/networks
- ✓ Contribution to future developments (CAP plans, policy)
- ✓ National CAP networks: participate in & contribute to activities of EU CAP network



### **European & National CAP Networks**

#### **Recap - What's New?**

- Reinforced need and role for networking
- > Single EU CAP network replacing current ENRD and EIP Networks
- National CAP networks instead of current NRNs
- Scope: extension of networking to whole CAP Strategic Plan (Pillar I & II)

But continuity in key network objectives & tasks!

#### Other elements:

- > Financing: EAFRD Technical assistance
- Future governance structures? (outside current legal proposals)



# Thank you for your attention!

