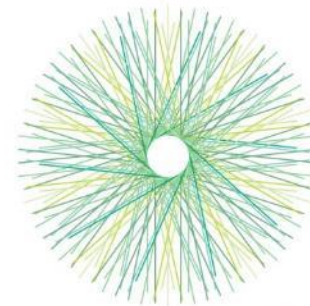


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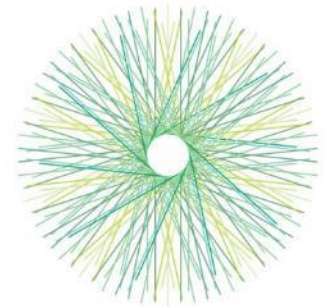


11th NRN meeting

**Fabio Cossu, DG AGRI
Prague, 31 May 2018**

EIP-AGRI Network Priorities in 2018

At a glance



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Fostering a thriving Agricultural Innovation Ecosystem

- Work with OGs: OG assessment study and seminar on upscaling OG results
- Communicate the digital transformation: Workshop, Toolbox and Seminar

Promoting innovation in managing natural resources and improving farm resilience

- 3 Focus Groups
- Water workshop

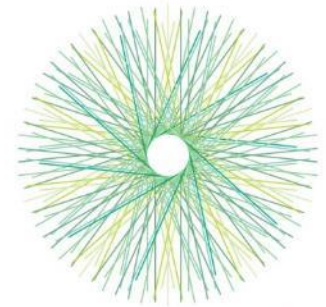
Strengthening agricultural value chains within a circular, decarbonised bio-economy

- 2 Focus Groups
- Farm Diversification workshop

Extending and consolidating the EIP-AGRI network

- Particular attention to multipliers and intermediary organisations which can help reach farmers
- Intensify networking activities in Eastern and Central Europe
- *Consolidating communications and networking with MAs/NRNs*

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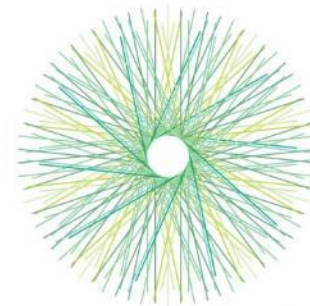
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EIP-AGRI Seminar - "EIP-AGRI: From Operational Group project to impact"



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Objectives:

- **Exchange experiences and practices** among RDP Managing Authorities (MA) and Paying Agencies (PA) in rolling out RDP support to OGs, focusing on approaches towards further simplification to achieve impact
- **Identify approaches and tools** that are useful for MAs, PAs and NRNs for OG project reporting and for the dissemination of project outcomes
- **Understand and exchange experiences** on how OGs are creating awareness on their project, and how to make the best use of OG results
- **Increase the impact of OG projects** by promoting the networking and collaboration among OGs and with other entities, the dissemination of OG results and their uptake by practitioners

Target: RDP Managing Authorities, NSU/NRNs and Paying Agencies.
Also: OG projects and other innovation actors (advisors, ISS, farmers, researchers,...)

When: 17 – 18 October 2018, Spoleto (Italy)



EIP-AGRI Workshop: "Enabling farmers for the digital age: the role of AKIS"

Objectives

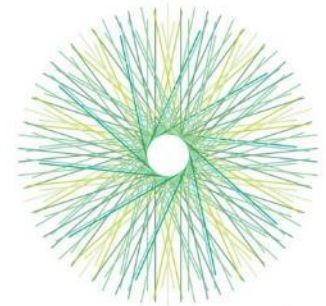
- To explore and strengthen the role of AKIS (with a particular focus on advisers and rural networking), supporting the understanding and use of digital technologies at farm level

Organised in cooperation with the Latvian Rural Advisory and Training Centre

Target: Farmers and their organisations, Advisors and innovation support services, RDP Managing Authorities, Network Support Units, representatives of projects and initiatives, actors in the field of education and media...

When: 26-27 April 2018 Jurmala, Latvia

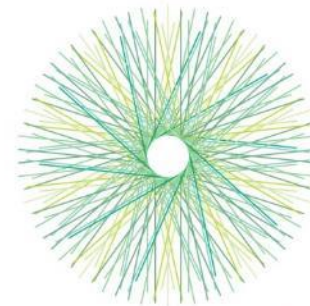
Event webpage: <https://ec.europa.eu/eip/agriculture/en/event/eip-agri-workshop-enabling-farmers-digital-age>



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Building a "Digitisation toolbox"



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Building a "Digitisation toolbox"



STAKE HOLDERS

Proposed scope and aim (*under construction*)

Why:

- Raise awareness and stimulate the uptake of digital technologies/solutions by farmers
- Facilitate the exchange of experiences and good practices with digital tools
- Collect information gaps and needs for further action/activities
- Propose a 'model' for communicating about digital opportunities

For: Farmers/farmers organisations, advisers, MAs and NRNs, project promoters...

EIP-AGRI activities & events + links

What: Web-based repository of examples /tools / projects, online resources...

EIP-AGRI Seminar: "Multi-level digital strategies for agriculture and rural areas"

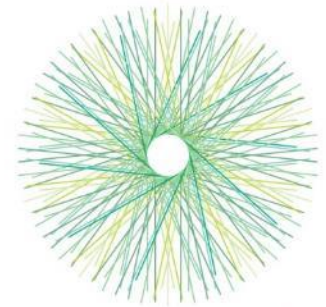
Objectives

- Discuss the framework and the process for developing strategic plans for digitisation that are multilevel (local- regional-national-European) and based on the needs of farmers, rural businesses and rural citizens
- Showcase and discuss existing examples
- Showcase the tools developed at EU level (e.g. by the EIP-AGRI network and the ENRD and BCO) to accompany the digital transformation

Target: RDP managing authorities, national rural networks, public authorities, advisors, ICT suppliers, RTOs, Local Action Groups, EU-wide organisations, EU institutions,...

When:

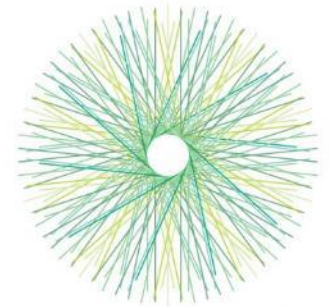
12-13 December 2018 Antwerp, Belgium



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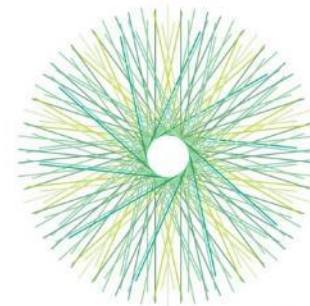
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EIP-AGRI Workshop "Connecting innovative projects: water & agriculture"



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Objectives:

- Connect Operational Groups with each other and to relevant research & innovation activities
- Exchange good practices
- Identify common challenges and explore potential solutions
- Promote continuous cooperation beyond the workshop

Target:

Operational Groups, research and other type of projects working on water-related innovation in agriculture (Horizon 2020, LIFE, EIP-WATER,...)

When:

30– 31 May 2018, Almeria (Spain)

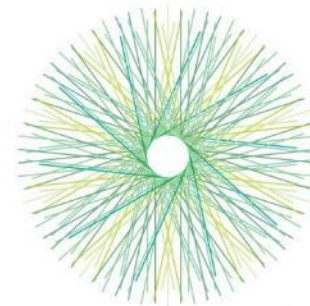


EIP-AGRI Focus Groups

Focus Group 30:
Non-chemical weed management

Focus Group 32:
Protecting fruit production from frost damage

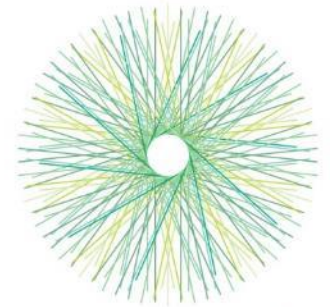
Focus Group 33:
Pest and diseases of the olive trees



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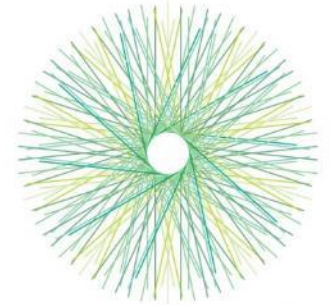
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EIP-AGRI events /activities



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Workshop on

Opportunities for farm diversification in the circular bio-economy

January – February 2019, Vilnius (Lithuania) - TBC

Focus Group 29:

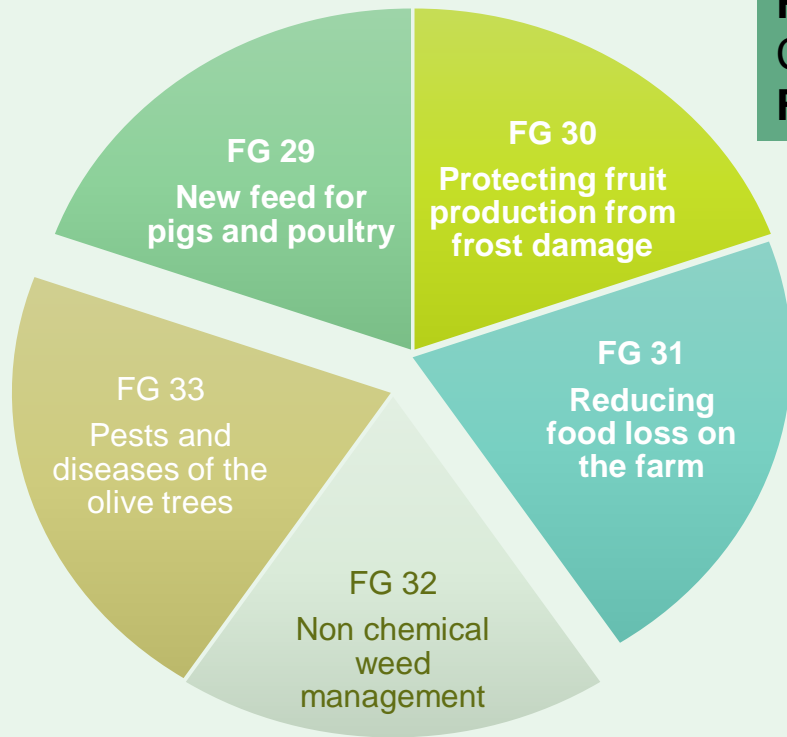
New feed for pigs and poultry

Focus Group 31:

Reducing food loss on the farm



Overview of Focus Groups - 2018



FGs 29, 30 and 31:
Call published / experts selected
First meetings Jun / Sep 2018

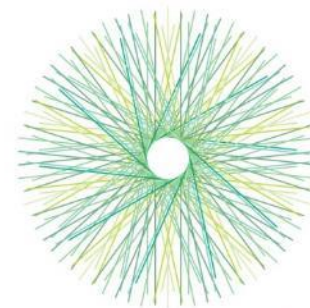
FGs 32 and 33:
Call to be published in June 2018
Deadline (early September)

Updates on EIP-AGRI Focus Groups:

- [Focus Group page on EIP website](#)
- [Subscribe to the EIP-AGRI Newsletter](#)

What WE can do for YOU...

How can National Rural Networks benefit?



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(RE)USE

- Database with easy access to projects, people, research needs, funding opportunities, ... in your country, region

REDUCE

- Factsheets on Focus Groups, workshops, seminars
- Final reports on Focus Groups, workshops, seminars

RECYCLE

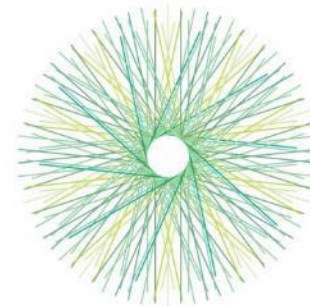
- Inspirational ideas on innovation
- Press articles
- Brochures
- Pictures



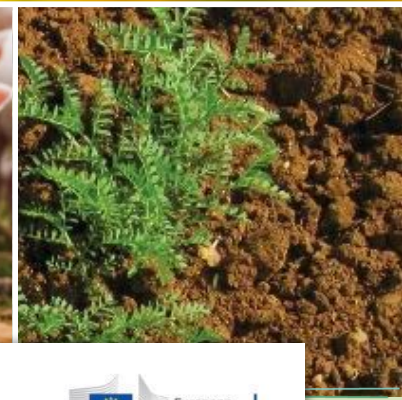
What YOU can do for innovation...

How can EIP-AGRI benefit?

- **Become an EIP-AGRI multiplier and promote EIP-AGRI in your country or region:**
 - Write on EIP-AGRI
 - Write on innovation and link to EIP-AGRI
 - Promote the calls on Operational Groups, Horizon 2020
 - 'Follow' Operational Groups (and H2020 project) and support their **networking**, communication and dissemination activities



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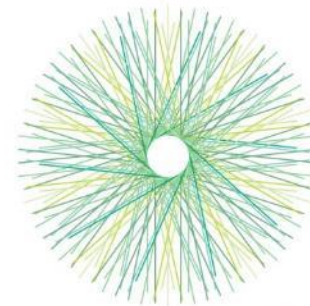


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Operational Groups

Innovation in the supply chain
The EIP-AGRI Workshop 'Innovation in the supply chain: creating value together' took place in Lyon (France) in February 2018. It brought together 48 Operational Groups and 9 research projects, including... [Read more](#)

Discover "Operational Group" Projects

Latest projects

UNITED KINGDOM - 27 MARCH 2018
Potato blight control using components of indigenous non-food waste plants [Read more](#)

SPAIN - 23 FEBRUARY 2018

Key questions & information

- EIP-AGRI Concept
- What is innovation?
- EIP-AGRI Operational Groups – basic principles

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ASK A QUESTION OR PROVIDE FEEDBACK

Relevant documents

- REPORT: EIP-AGRI Workshop Innovation in the supply chain: Short report [Read more](#)
- REPORT: EIP-AGRI Communication survey 2018 [Read more](#)
- BROCHURE: EIP-AGRI Brochure Operational Groups - Collaborate to innovate [Read more](#)
- EIP-AGRI DOCUMENT: Operational Groups represented at the EIP-AGRI Workshop 'Innovation in the supply chain' [Read more](#)
- EIP-AGRI DOCUMENT: EIP-AGRI Focus Group on Circular Horticulture: Starting paper [Read more](#)
- FACTSHEET: EIP-AGRI Factsheet on Skills development [Read more](#)
- FACTSHEET: EIP-AGRI Factsheet on Strengthening links between research and practice [Read more](#)

[VIEW MORE](#)

Explore the Operational groups and other inspiring projects

Share the calls for EIP-AGRI Focus groups

Participate in EIP-AGRI events and share your events!

Under construction: collaborative space for NRNs / NSUs & MAs

Register today!

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1st half of the year

January

February

March

April

May

June

10th
Subgroup
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Innovation

Workshop
Innovation in the supply chain: creating value together

Focus
Group 27
Circular
horticulture

Focus
Group 28
Energy at
farm level

Workshop
Enabling farmers for the digital age: the role of AKIS

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Innovative water management in agriculture

RN
Steering
Group

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Focus Group 26
Mitigation practices in arable farming

Focus Group 29
New feed for pigs & poultry

Focus Group 30
Protecting fruit production from frost damage

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2nd half of the year

July / August

September

October

November

December

Jan/Feb
2019

Focus Group 31
Reducing food loss on the farm

Seminar
EIP-AGRI: From OG projects to impact

Focus Group 32
Non-chemical weed management

5th RN Assembly

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New opportunities for farm diversification in the circular bio-economy

12th Subgroup on Innovation

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Focus Group 30
Protecting perennial crop production from frost damage (TBC)