



## **EIP-AGRI** in a nutshell



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Aim: To foster a competitive and sustainable agriculture and forestry sector that "achieves more from less". "Idea or invention put into practice with success".

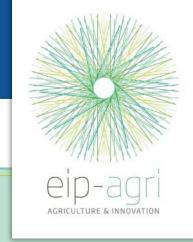
**Approach:** Closing the innovation gap between research and practice by:

- using the interactive innovation model:
  - Operational Groups (RDP 30 K till 1000 K / OG)
  - Multi-Actor projects (H2020 "research" 2 -10 mio € ) project )
  - Thematic networks (H2020 "coordination" 2 mio €/\(\)
     network project)
- linking innovations and actors via the EIP-AGRI Network
  - EIP-AGRI web pages, contacts, practice abstracts...



#### **Operational Groups**







#### In the leaflet you find information about:

- Setting up an Operational Group
- 4 Operational Groups.
   About 100 OG are now presented in the EIP-AGRI website and more is coming every day)
- Useful links and connections

**TWO EXAMPLES:** Winter harvest (AU) InnoBau (DE)







### Starting point / problem definition:

- The availability and variety of winter vegetables is relatively small
- Consumers know little about winter vegetables and prefer a small range of vegetable species
- Glass houses are energy-intensive, customers are increasingly opposed to this type of cultivation : expensive, ecological reason
- Poly Tunnels are not used in winter, no production in the tunnels
- Underemployment during the winter season



## Winter Harvest: Seasonal, energy-extensive innovative vegetable production

European Commission



Innovative solutions for the establishment of organic winter vegetables cultivation in Austria

#### **Project Highlights:**

#### Find new ways of growing winter vegetables Technological part:

- Find **New techniques** –improve existing cultivation systems
- Using the existing varieties
- Increase profitability of production for the producers

#### Marketing:

- Develop methods to improve the communication between producers and consumers
- Develop a "winter vegetable language"
- Optimize the packaging



## **Benefits for Farmers**





#### Winter Harvest:

- Achieve added value for producers in winter
- Reduce the risks for producers
- select suitable varieties for the cultivation and retail
- Find the optimal cultivation-period
- Develop optimal working and production processes
- Actions/methods for a better marketing
- Increasing customer demand
- providing information on the product
- optimize **packaging** for the product
- Using trends towards ecological packaging
- Carbon footprint

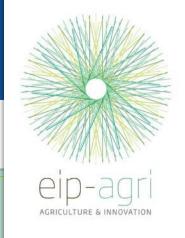


# InnoBau (Schleswig-Hollstein, DE)

# Agricultural construction with a systemic decision-making process

The aim of the OG "InnoBau" is to support sustainable innovation in agricultural construction with a new, systematic decision-making process.

- To develop and test with participating companies a tool for a systematic planning management, which is suitable in practice.
- The planning is supported on real agricultural construction projects for livestock in conventional and organic production.







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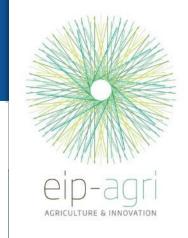
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# Bridging agriculture, research, and much more.....



**3200 OGs** are planned in 26 Member States in 2014-2020, with activities such as the development of **new products or practices**, **technology**, **pilot projects**, **supply chain cooperation**, joint **environmental projects** or climate change actions, cooperation in biomass provision or **renewable energy**, **forest management** and much more





Farming Forestry Agribusiness Research needs

Operational Groups

Knowledge and partners



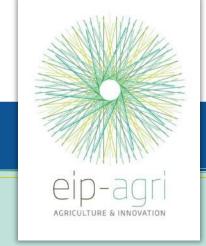
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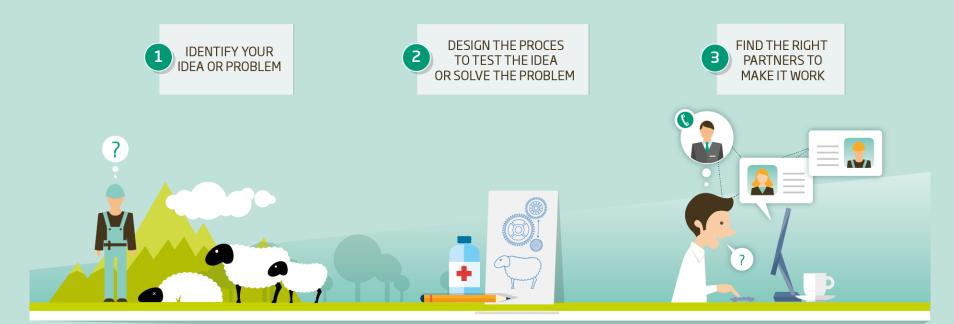
- Ideas to test
- multi-actor projects
- thematic networks



# **Getting an Operational Group started**



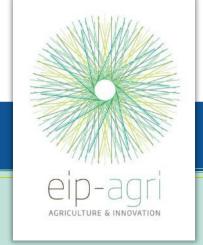




There could be already an OG working with this problem?

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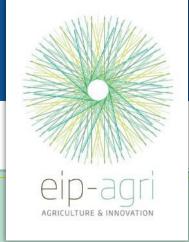




## Means to implement the EIP-AGRI







#### <u>Rural Development</u> <u>Programmes</u>

- Operational Groups
  - Setting up of the group
  - Financing of the project
- Other innovation project funding under M16
- ( 2,8 bill € / 15 000 project )
- Innovation support services / innovation brokers

National or Regional Rural Network

EIP-AGRI Network EIP-AGRI web pages

**Horizon 2020** (EU Research Policy)

- Multi-actor research projects involving the agricultural community
- Thematic networks, unlocking and exchanging knowledge
   across the EU



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