The European Innovation Partnership “Agricultural Productivity and Sustainability” or EIP-AGRI and the Service Point

EIP Agri & Operational Groups
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The EIP-AGRI Network
EIP-AGRI Service Point connects all actors within the network
A multidisciplinary team at your service

The EIP-AGRI Service Point team works closely together with DG AGRI to link all actors in the EIP-AGRI network.
The goal
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EIP-AGRI website
www.eip-agri.eu
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the one-stop-shop
for agricultural innovation

SHARE WITH US
SEARCH AND FIND
FOCUS ON
DEEPEN YOUR KNOWLEDGE
STAY UP TO DATE
MY EIP-AGRI
Website – Interactive functions

Share
- Share interesting projects
- Share research needs
- Register/Login

Search
- Meeting Point
- Events
- News
- Publications
- Search Funding Opportunities
- Search Interesting Projects
- Search needs for research from practice
- Search Project Ideas
- Interesting links
Why share?

- Existing projects & best practices
- People
- Project ideas
- Online resources
- Relevant events
- Existing or incoming funding opportunities
- Research needs

How will sharing benefit you?

Share interesting projects
Share research needs
Register/Login
Search

Why search?

Find partners
For projects

People

Research Needs from practice

Online resources

Database of existing projects

New Project ideas

How will searching benefit you?
Information online - Publications
Get involved

Register on the website and advertise your project results

Frequently asked questions

Ask a question or provide feedback
EIP-AGRI website
What else?

- Multipliers tool-kit
- Discussion forum
- Interface to be translated
- Multimedia
- More powerful search functions

Register on the website and start searching the network today.

www.eip-agri.eu
EIP-AGRI website
What else?

And stay up to date with the EIP-AGRI Newsletter

http://ec.europa.eu/eip/agriculture/en/content/subscribe-newsletter
EIP-AGRI Focus Groups, tackling agricultural challenges

- Priorities for innovative actions
- Ideas for Operational Groups
- Research needs from practice
- Propose projects to test solutions

Exchange practical knowledge

PRACTICE

RESEARCH
EIP-AGRI Focus Groups, tackling agricultural challenges
What is an Operational Group?

- Concrete innovation projects finding innovative solutions
- Different competencies (practical and scientific)
- “Hands-on” groups
- Benefit from the interactions
Setting up an Operational Group

- Farmers
- NGOs
- Advisors
- Researchers
- Agri-business

Operational Group
Getting an Operational Group started

1. Identify your idea or problem
2. Design the process to test the idea or solve the problem
3. Find the right partners to make it work
Getting an Operational Group started

4. Build a road map with goals, timing, budget etc.

5. Find funding & send in the application

Innovation Support Services, at your service!
Spread the results

KEEP CALM AND WORK TOGETHER
Funding...

Follow the calls

RDPs

Horizon2020

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Focus Group Profitability of Permanent Grassland

- evaluating the current situation of Permanent Grasslands
- paths for increasing productivity in a sustainable way
  - to increase the efficiency and profitability
  - while ensuring biodiversity values and carbon sequestration
  - as well as a better recognition of the interrelationships among those functions
  - the quality of the products.
Process

- 2 face to face meetings (Frankfurt, Mallorca)
- Prepatory homework and between meetings
- Mini papers on main goals:
  - Definition of a grassland typology in relation to biodiversity and productivity
  - Achieving grassland production that matches animal needs
  - Benchmarking grassland dry matter (DM) production and utilization at regional and national levels
  - Sustainable grassland production by increased functional group diversification
  - Increase resource efficiency
  - Differentiation of grass based products for higher market value: linking quality traits and management practices
  - Life cycle assessment: evaluation of the environmental impacts of grassland-based systems using Life Cycle Thinking (LCT)
Recommendations and potential innovative action and research

- Provide the farmers the right technology to optimize the grass production, including ways to identify and manage better grazing systems.
- Integrate data sets at local level and implement ICT tools for interconnecting advisory services and other stakeholders as well as developing benchmark system for permanent grasslands.
- Tools to describe services and link permanent grasslands to local demands.
- Re-thinking technical and political solutions to improve livelihood of farmers by producing quality products.
- Integration of PG objectives through Life Cycle Assessment: regionalize ecosystem services prior to inclusion in permanent grassland management.
- Approach knowledge transfer as a participatory process.
- Management tools for animal-sward optimization to maximize productivity and biodiversity (including adapted animals to grassland systems).
- Identify different incentives of farmers for innovation and use this knowledge in development and transfer.
Final report

COMING SOON!
Thank you for your attention!

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