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NEWS

▶ Are you an organic fanatic? Then learn more about the [new EU proposals for a new regulation on organic products and production](#). To help the organic sector adjust to the proposed policy changes and meet future challenges, the European Commission has also published [an action plan setting out a series of initiatives](#) to developing the organic food market by increasing efficacy, transparency and consumer confidence.



NEW ONLINE

▶ The ENRD new video on '[Delivering Environmental Services](#)' takes a closer look on how the Member States' Rural Development Programmes (RDPs) can help to deliver environmental services for EU citizens.

▶ Our [RDP projects database](#) turned 600! Discover real-life examples of how the EAFRD has contributed to rural development in Europe. These best practices examples can help to inspire project in the 2014-2020 programming period.

▶ How to improve RDP quality? [The ENRD infosheets](#) contribute to the understanding of what has worked well and less well in the delivery of the 2007-2013 RDPs and provide lessons learnt that can inform future improvement of the programmes.



EVENTS

▶ 5 May 2014: [The European Environmental Bureau \(EBB\) conference 'New CAP in action: What chance left for sustainable farming in the implementation?'](#) will take place in the Agricultural University of Athens, Greece, and will focus on both the greening in Pillar 1 implementation and Pillar 2.

▶ 6 - 8 May 2014: [The 21st NRN meeting and Peer-to-Peer workshop](#) is taking place in Cumbria, England.

▶ 6 - 8 May 2014: More than 145 countries will be represented at [the Seafood Expo Global/Seafood Processing Global](#). This largest seafood trade event in the world will take place in Brussels, Belgium.

▶ 15 May 2014: [The conference 'Innovation in the French Rural National Network 2014-2020'](#), organised in Paris, France, will assist in establishing a clear strategic project that responds the best to both Brussels' expectations but also those members of the French network.

▶ 16 - 18 May 2014: This year, the [Swedish Rural Parliament](#) will take place in the county of Gävleborg – 200 kilometres north of Stockholm. The programme includes an opening ceremony, presentations and working group sessions, as well as cultural elements.

▶ 22 May 2014: [INTERREG IVC is organising a one-day event](#) in Brussels, Belgium, that will showcase policy recommendations and lessons learnt resulting from the analysis of the projects.

▶ 2 June 2014: Save the date! [The ENRD CP "Connecting Rural Europe: Learning from the past - Preparing for the future"](#) will be organised in Brussels, Belgium. More information will be available soon on our website.

▶ 9 - 13 June 2014: [The 20th international Symposium on Society and Resource Management](#) will be held at Leibniz University in Hannover, Germany. The conference will focus on climate change, urbanization, energy demand and land-use and how they affect both urban and rural areas.

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