

Film « Young Farmers »

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Interests for the Young Farmers topic

- Thematic chosen by our Network Steering Committee because :
 - Support to young farmers installation and training are two important RDP measures
 - Family-type farms slowly disappear because of lack of entrepreneurs (around 3 – 4 % per year).
 - There is a potential of young interested by this profession (sons or daughters of farmers... or not). But many problems as access to field, to investment, to the profession.
 - Actually, the process of installation as farmer is reduced to a technical and economical study. Social needs, project of life are not taken in account. Training opportunities need to be updated in order to reflect changes and evolution in agriculture.
 - New challenges appears for farmers as climate changes, environment, energy savings,... at local, national, European level

What is done / planned ?

- Done at regional level :
 - Working session with young farmers about training needs and future of agriculture
 - Permanent workshop with training centres for YF, administrations in charge of professional training and teachers
 - Identification of necessary skills to manage a farm, to “be farmer” and of new challenges for farmers in rural areas

- Planned
 - Inventory of existing trainings and non-covered needs
 - Update of training courses
 - Recommendations for future RDP
 - Link with an Interreg project on Young Farmers
 - Small film and promotion to local structures in charge of young farmers support.

Proposal

- Six main gateways treated by six sequences, six witnesses :
 - Motivations, levers and difficulties to start or continue a farming activity
 - Multifunctional agriculture as a way to answer demands of the society, as a way to develop local economy
 - Environment and energy : new dimensions of agriculture, new challenges
 - Networks : social, territorial, professional networks
 - Entrepreneur and businessman : farm management, administrative and financial skills, knowledge of the context
 - Regulatory aspects : standards, norms, CAP regulations, control, quality,...

How to use this video ?

- As animation tools for farmers associations, NGO,... in order to launch the debate about new challenges in rural areas
- As a way to promote agriculture
- As a way to show how European agriculture and young farmers face new challenges in different MS.

Proposal

- Technically ?
 - Virtual workshop for clarifying contents and main questions
 - Production of small caps (by using quite common technical equipment as “*Canon 5D*”) and subtitle in English
 - Final montage by Walloon network
 - Promotion at European level
- Interested now ?
 - Join the World Café “Young farmers” and express your point of view
 - Get involved in defining the content, the main questions
 - And – why not ? - become co-author of this international rural production

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