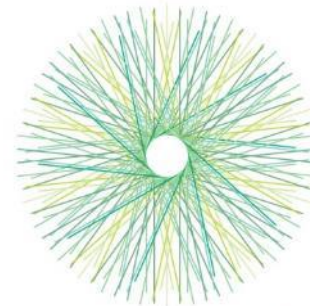
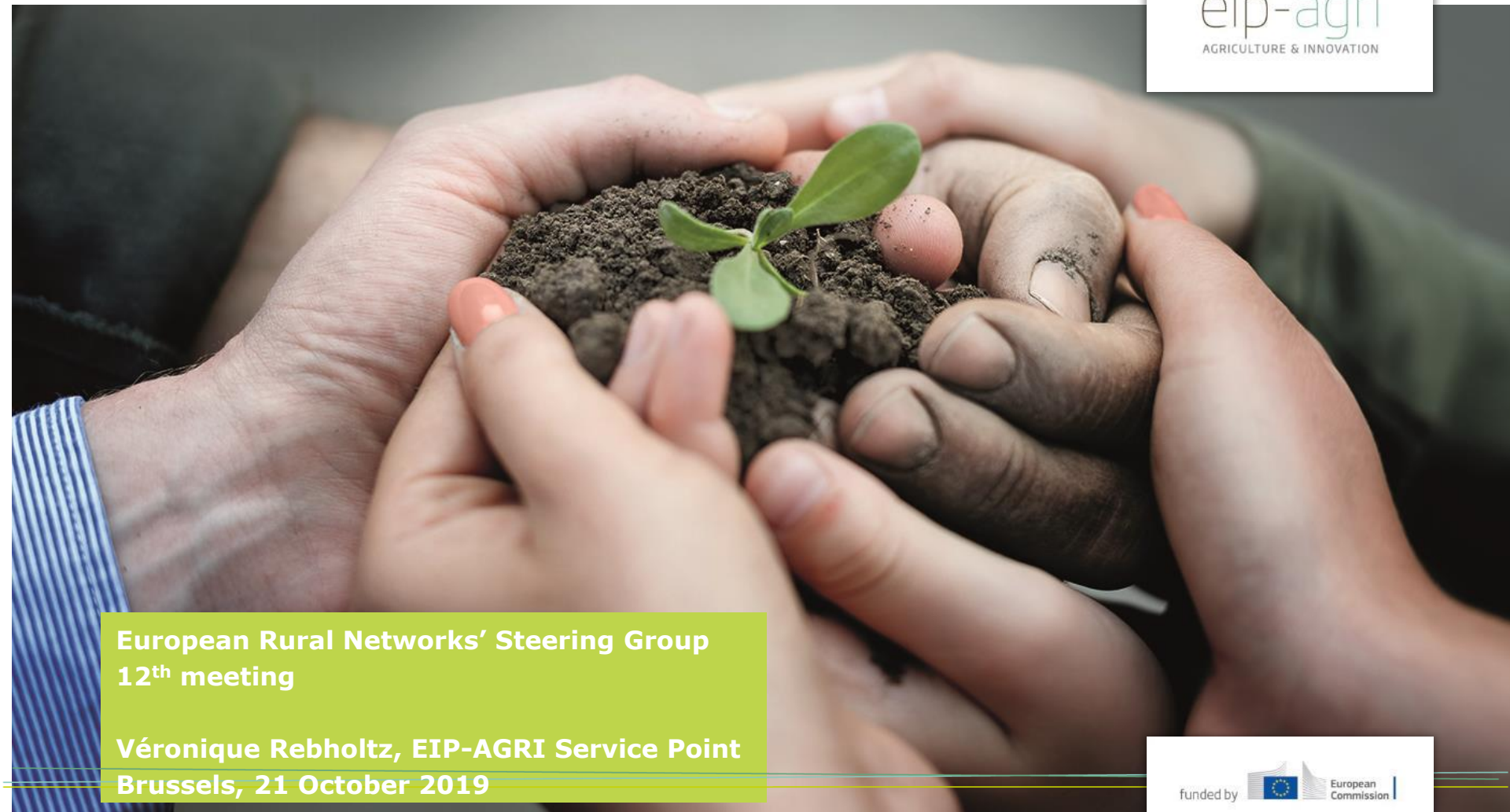


EIP-AGRI Service Point: Past and upcoming activities



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European Rural Networks' Steering Group
12th meeting

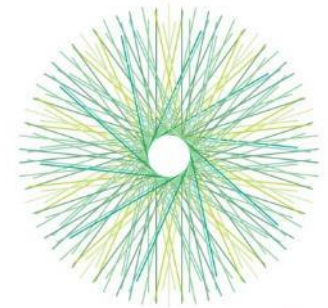
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Past activities: Period 15 May – 21 October 2019

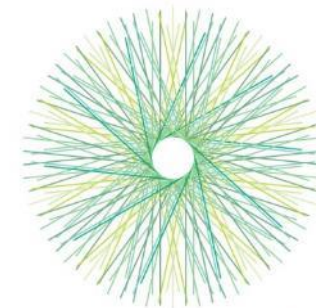


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- 8 Focus Group meetings
- 1 Workshop
- 1 Seminar



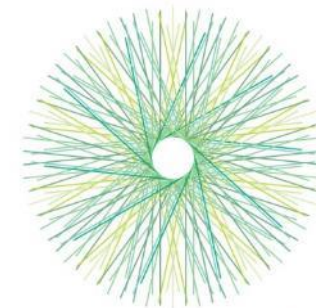
EIP-AGRI past meetings of Focus Groups



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Dates	Focus Group	Meeting	Main Question	Location
15-16 May	Soil salinisation	1 st meeting	How to maintain agricultural productivity by preventing, reducing or adapting to soil salinity? Starting paper	Budapest, Hungary
15-16 May	Diversification opportunities through plant-based medicinal and cosmetic products	1 st meeting	How to create diversification opportunities for farmers through innovative value chains of plant-based medicinal and cosmetic products? Starting paper	Setubal, Portugal

EIP-AGRI past meetings of Focus Groups



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Dates	Focus Group	Meeting	Main question	Location
22-23 May	Non chemical weed management	2 nd meeting	What are the options for non-chemical weed management in arable cropping systems?	Oeiras, Portugal
11-12 June	Protecting agricultural soils from contamination	1 st meeting	How to prevent agricultural soil contamination and how to address the problem of contaminated soils? Starting paper	Bari, Italy
19-20 June	Reducing antimicrobial use in poultry farming	1 st meeting	How to reduce the use of antimicrobial treatments in poultry in order to fight the spread of antimicrobial resistance	Dublin, Ireland

EIP-AGRI past meetings of Focus Groups



Dates	Focus Group	Meeting	Main question	Location
18-19 September	Pests and diseases of the olive tree	2 nd meeting	How to increase the sustainability of olive growing, taking into account the risks brought by pests and diseases?	Heraklion, Greece
8-9 October	Bee health and sustainable beekeeping	2 nd meeting	How to ensure the sustainability of beekeeping in the face of challenges linked to pests and diseases, intensification of agriculture and climate change?	Bologna, Italy
15-16 October	Soil salinisation	2 nd meeting	See above	Tarragona, Spain

EIP-AGRI past Workshop 'Cropping for the future'

ALMERE, THE NETHERLANDS
4-5 JUNE 2019

- The workshop focused on crop rotation and crop diversification, while considering their benefits on ecosystem services

[Booklet on OGs represented](#)

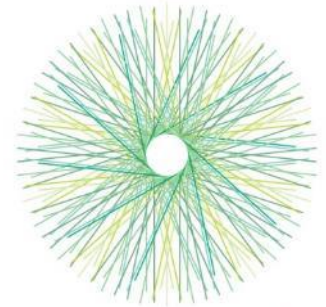


EIP-AGRI Event: Agri-innovation Summit 2019

- The event was dedicated to the contribution of the EIP-AGRI for the transition to agroecology
- It brought together 450 people: representatives from EIP-AGRI projects throughout Europe as well as local actors and experts
- Participants discussed the following main thematic issues:
 - How to reduce the use of inputs as a way to increase the autonomy of farms?
 - What kind of production systems can enable the sustainable management of natural resources?
 - How can agroecology be better integrated within the value chain, with the consumers, the citizens and the local areas?
 - How can knowledge sharing, co-creation and dissemination of innovation be fostered at all levels?



Upcoming activities: Period 22 October 2019 – 10 February 2020

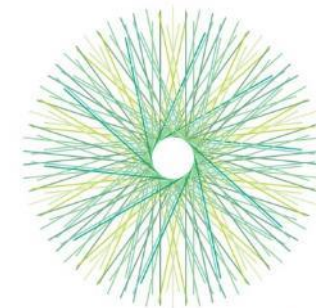


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- 3 Focus Group meetings
- 1 Workshop
- 1 Seminar



EIP-AGRI upcoming meetings of Focus Groups



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Dates	Focus Group	Meeting	Main Question	Location
23-24 October	Diversification opportunities through plant-based medicinal and cosmetic products	2 nd meeting	How to create diversification opportunities for farmers through innovative value chains of plant-based medicinal and cosmetic products?	Chemillé, France
19-20 November	Protecting agricultural soils from contamination	2 nd meeting	How to prevent agricultural soil contamination and how to address the problem of contaminated soils?	Santarem, Portugal
15-16 January 2020	Reducing antimicrobial use in poultry farming	2 nd meeting	How to reduce the use of antimicrobial treatments in poultry in order to fight the spread of antimicrobial resistance	Herentals / Geel, Belgium

EIP-AGRI upcoming Workshop “Small is smart”

BUCHAREST, ROMANIA: 29-30 OCTOBER 2019

Overall aim:

- To promote networking among people and projects dealing with innovation and adoption of new technologies in small farm and forestry holdings

Specific objectives:

- Identifying common challenges
- Exploring potential solutions to shared challenges
- Exchanging good practices
- Connecting participating projects
- Promoting further cooperation between partners from different projects



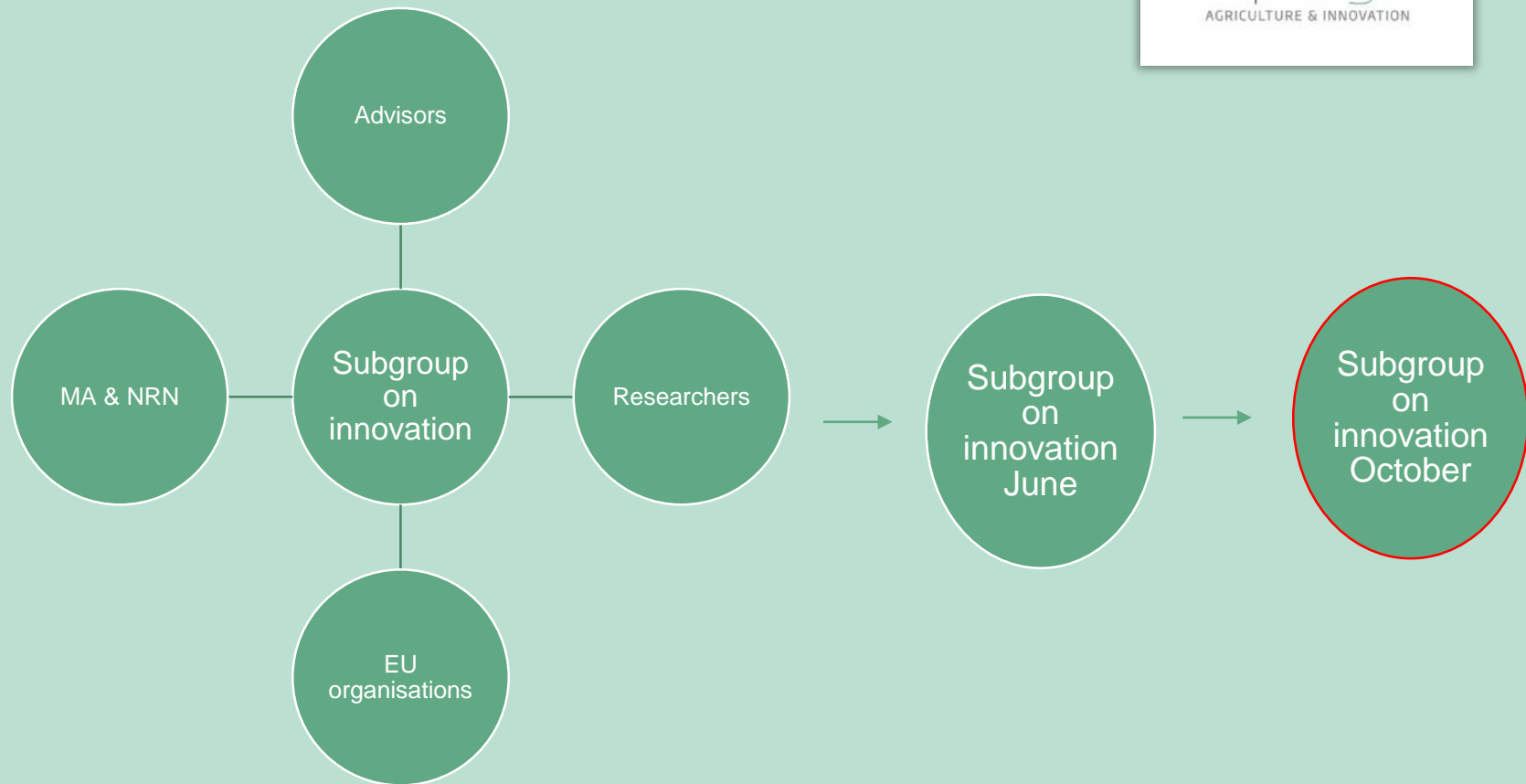
EIP-AGRI upcoming seminar: 'New skills for digital farming'

SPAIN: 5-6 FEBRUARY 2020

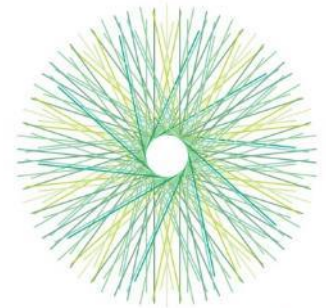
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- Identify the skills that can help farmers better understand and use digital technologies
- Share successful educational and training initiatives that can raise awareness and foster digital skills in the farming community
- Discuss how the CAP strategic plans can address the digital skills gap in the farming sector, by stimulating cooperation between relevant actors and by combining policy instruments
- Explore ways to connect European actors in the farming, advisory, educational and vocational training sectors to develop a strong support system for agricultural knowledge exchange and innovation

EIP-AGRI ANNUAL WORK PROGRAMME 2020: Process



Annual Work Programme 2020-21 (prov.): 11 February 2020 - 10 February 2021

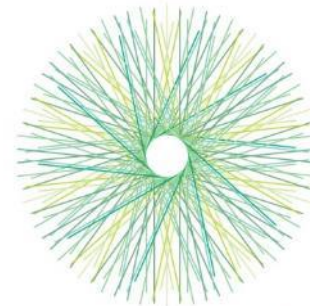


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- 5 Focus Groups
- 2 Workshops
- 2 Seminars



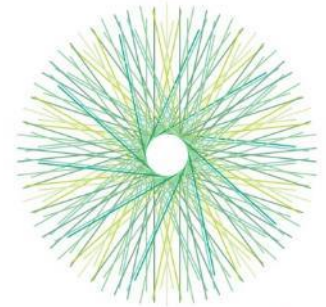
PRIORITY AREAS FOR 2020



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- Agricultural Knowledge and Innovation Systems - AKIS
- Soil
- Sustainable management of natural resources
- Value chains / competitiveness in the circular bioeconomy
- Climate change

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