

ENRD Workshop

**‘Stakeholder Involvement: Monitoring
Committees and the Partnership Principle’**

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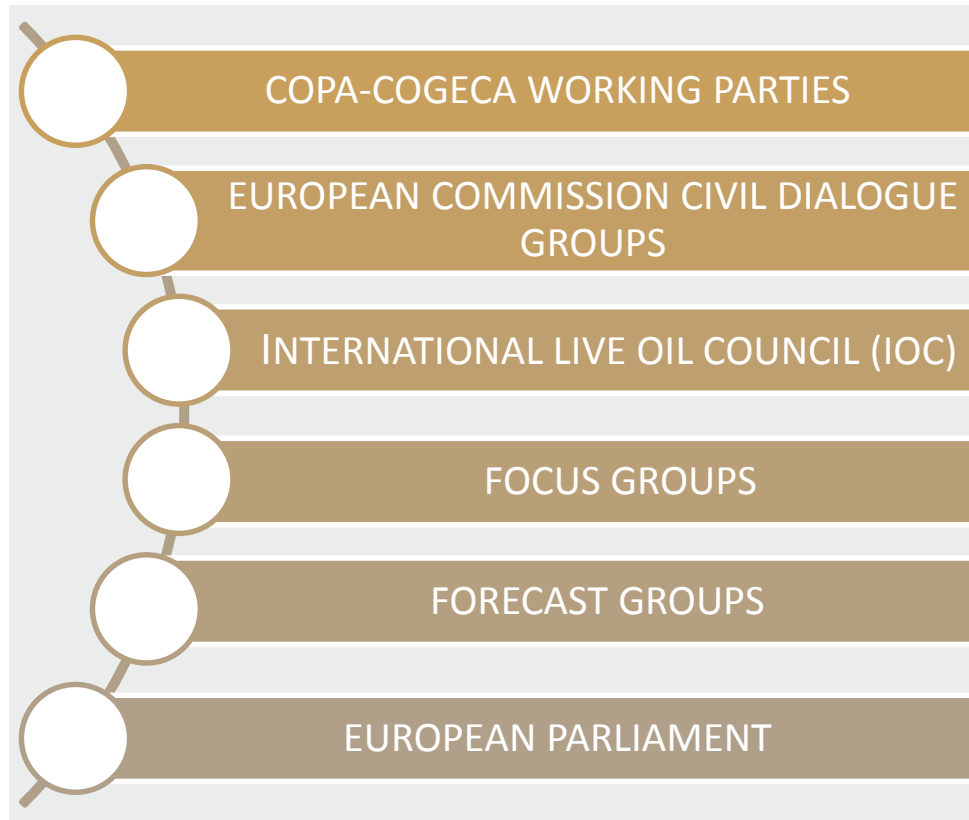
- The only national organization of farmers established by the Croatian Parliament in 2009.
- The umbrella organization of associations, cooperatives, family farms, businesses and trade in agriculture.
- 75000 family farms.
- Full member of the of the Copa, Cogeca, Geopa, WFO.
- The only organization of agricultural producers participating in the work of nearly 30 committees, councils and other government bodies and municipalities.

REPRESENTATION OF INTEREST ON A NATIONAL BASIS

- The Parliamentary Committee on Agriculture
- Cabinet of the President of the Republic of Croatia - The Council for Economic Affairs
- Committees of the Ministry of Agriculture:
 - 13 councils
 - 19 boards
 - 4 committees
 - Croatian Rural Development Network



REPRESENTATION OF INTEREST ON AN INTERNATIONAL BASIS



WHAT THE CCA DOES FOR FARMERS?

- **Represent their interests** (access to preparatory documents of the European Commission and the European Parliament, finding and articulating best possible solutions).
- **Keep them informed** (regular information about current events in agriculture, negotiations and competitions on a national and international level).
- **Educate and organise the events** (organising professional visits abroad and domestically, organising roundtable discussions, conferences and lectures (making promotional and financial plans, selection of lecturers).



STAKEHOLDER STRUCTURE IN CROATIA

- Average number of ha per farm: 10 ha
- Number of Associations: 5.639
 - Agriculture: 2.011
 - Environment and nature protection: 3.628
- Number of crafts: 2.187
- Number of cooperatives: 355
- Number of Family Farms: 162.248
- Number of producer organizations: 17
- Number of Local Action groups: 56
- Number of employees in Advisory Service (Ministry of Agriculture): 240

STAKEHOLDER INVOLVEMENT NEW CAP

- Agriculture and Fisheries Development Strategy of the Republic of Croatia 2020
- The Ministry of Agriculture of the Republic of Croatia and the World Bank
- 11th October, 2018.



Strategija razvoja
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- <https://poljoprivreda2020.hr/o-projektu>

CONCLUSION

- Formal obligatory dialogue and unique framework (CDG, stakeholders)
- High level of transparency
- Exchange/excursion between MS
- Associations/Advisory Services/LAG/University&Science Institutes
- Evidence-based decisions

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