



EIP Operational Groups, AKIS and EU CAP Network within CAP 2023-2027

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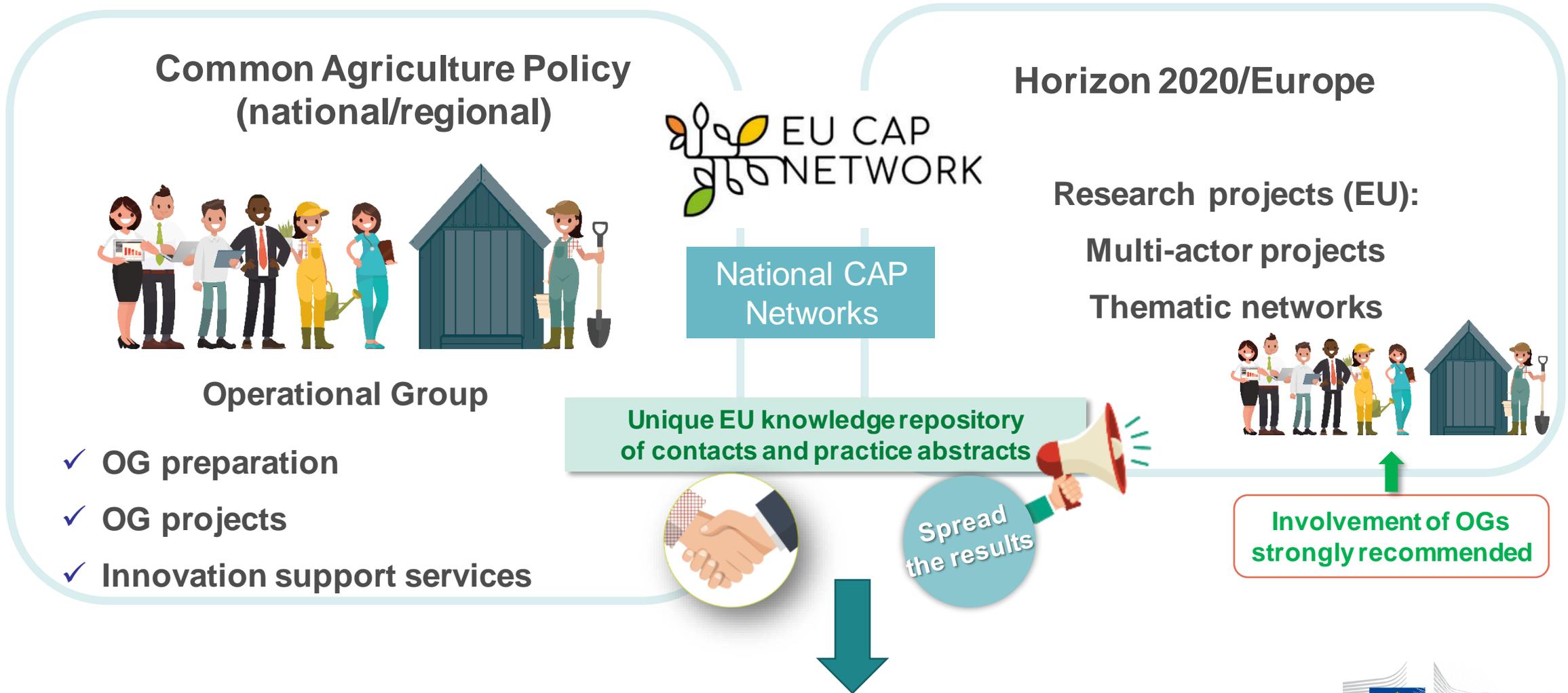
EMILIA-ROMAGNA REGION – DELEGATION TO THE EU

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European Innovation Partnership for agricultural productivity and sustainability (EIP-AGRI)

- **Launched** by the Commission Communication in February 2012
- **Aim:** to stimulate innovation and improve the exchange of knowledge
- **Approach:** Closing the innovation gap between research, innovation and practice by:
 - using the **interactive innovation model** (EIP operational groups)
 - linking actors via the **EU CAP Network** (broad range of networking activities and events)

EIP-AGRI connecting policies: the bigger picture



EIP operational groups

- EIP operational groups (OGs) form part of the EIP-AGRI:
 - focusing **on farmers' or foresters' needs** and tackling the interactions across the supply chain where useful
 - bringing together partners with **complementary knowledge**
 - **co-deciding and co-creating** all along the project
- OGs may act at **transnational level**, may be based on traditional practices in a new geographical/environmental context
- OGs disseminate **summaries of plans and results** of their projects, also through the national and European CAP networks

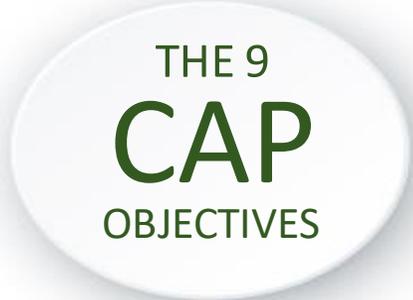


CAP 2023-2027: 9 OBJECTIVES

OG projects cover all 9 CAP objectives



**Cross-cutting objective
KNOWLEDGE &
INNOVATION**



EIP OGS in the CAP 2023-2027

- MSs' obligation to provide innovation support for OGS - grassroots ideas, needs
- CAP networks: will connect existing OGS to collaborate
- 80% EU-cofinancing instead of 43%
- 100% support (aid intensity) for non-productive investments for OGS
- Advance payments up to 50% for OGS possible
- State Aid derogation below € 500.000 Euro per project

EIP OGs: achievements and plans

2014-2022

- ✓ **26 Member States**, 98 RDPs implementing EIP OGs' "innovative projects"
- ✓ 3 200 OGs planned; around **2700** OGs running or finished (1 billion EUR)
- ✓ **Over 200 multi-actor projects** under Horizon 2020
- ✓ A growing and thriving **network**

2023-2027

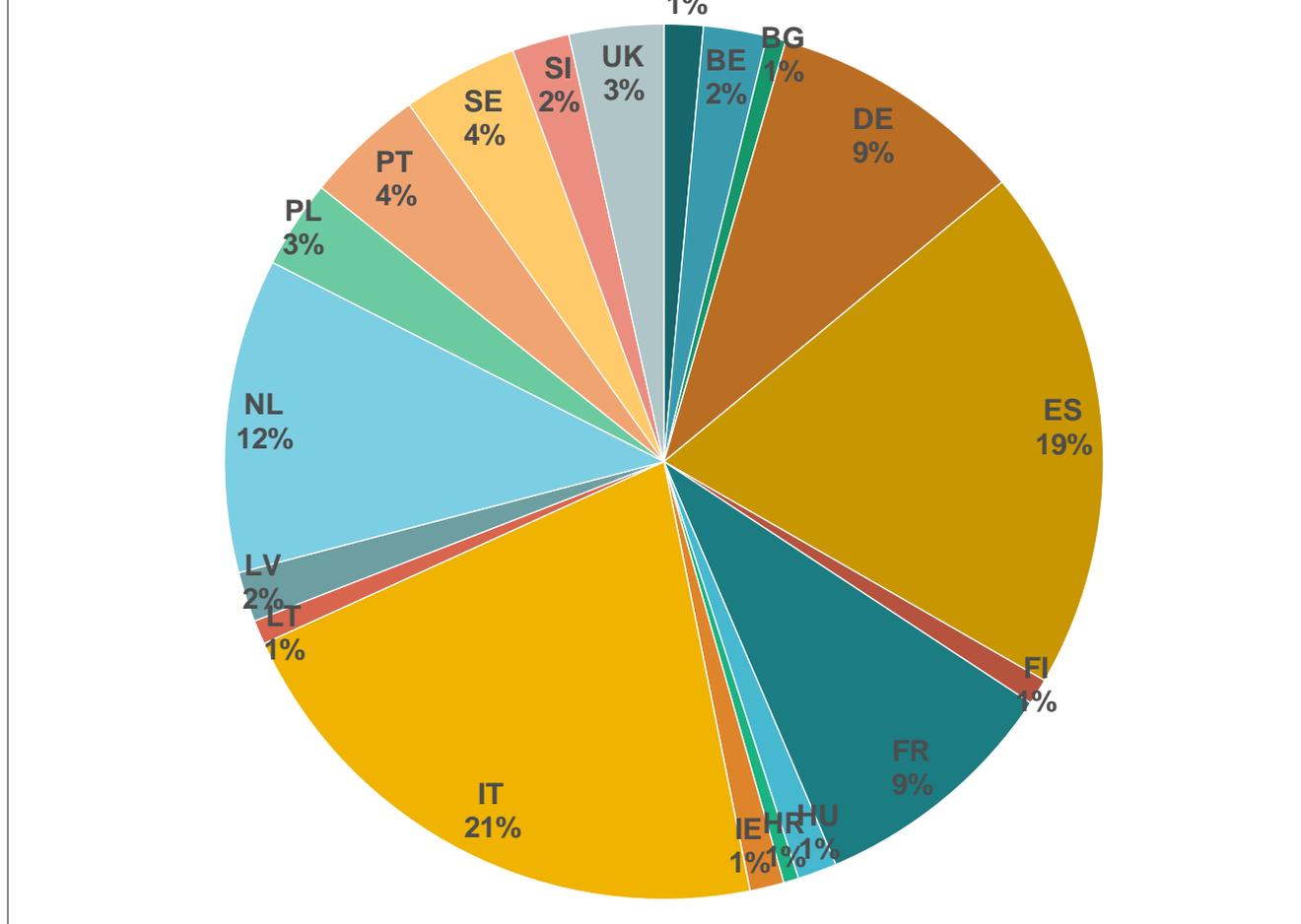
- ✓ **25 Member States** implementing EIP OGs "innovative projects"
- ✓ **Over 6 600** OGs' projects planned
- ✓ **EUR 9 billion** for multi-actor projects under Horizon Europe Cluster 6 "Food, Bioeconomy, Natural Resources, Agriculture and Environment"
- ✓ Strengthening of **Innovation & Knowledge Exchange | EIP-AGRI** strand of EU CAP Network

EIP OG projects in the database

Country	OG projects
AT	39
BE	63
BG	19
CZ	11
DE	257
EE	2
ES	524
FI	26
FR	252
HU	39
HR	15
IE	34
IT	577
LT	24
LV	50
MT	1
NL	314
PL	88
PT	119
RO	26
SE	115
SI	57
UK	94
Total=	2746



OG projects by country (%)



Source: EC, March 2023

EIP OG projects: Climate change

Since 2014:

- OG projects dealing with climate change: **386 (94 in Italy)**
- OG projects dealing with carbon sequestration: **26 (8 in Italy)**



EIP-AGRI supports AKIS

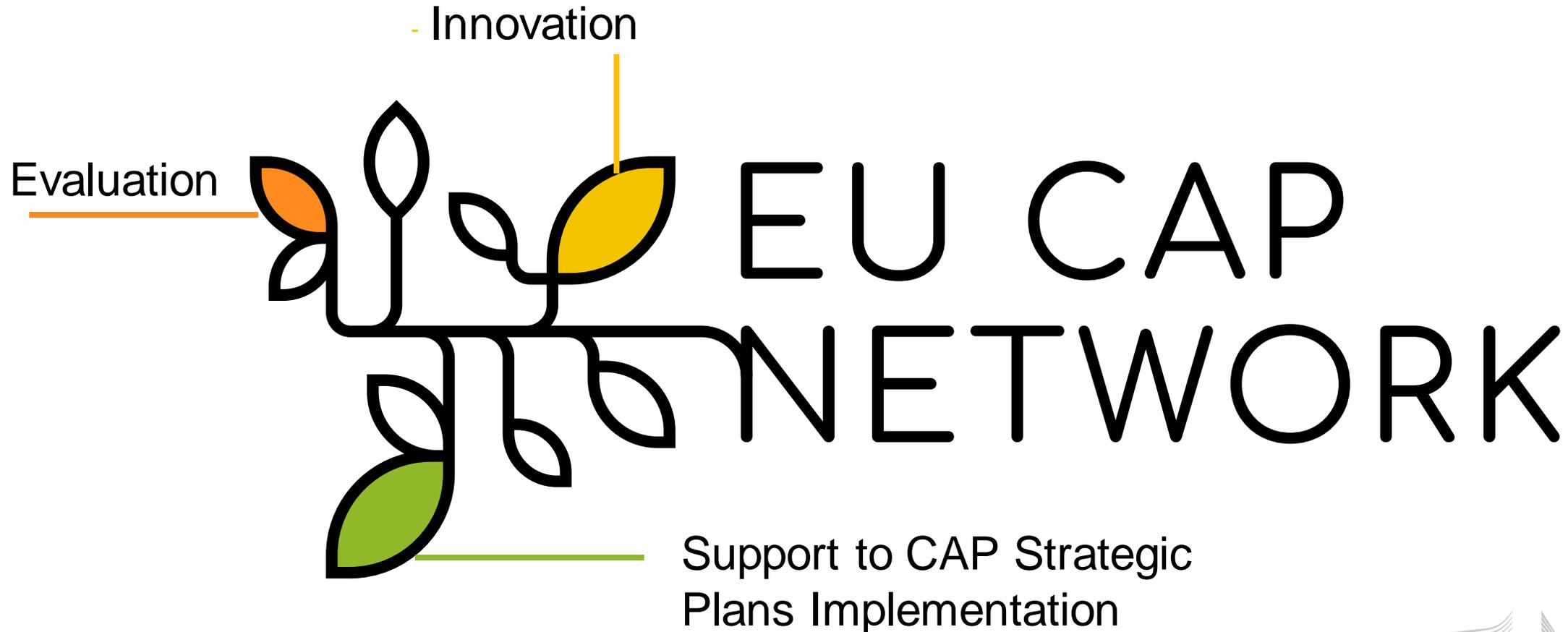


The concept AKIS: how people and organisations connect to promote mutual learning, to generate, share, and use agriculture related knowledge/information

AKIS in the CAP 2023-2027

- The aim: to create a **regional/national knowledge and innovation system** by organising and enhancing knowledge flows between the AKIS actors as well as strengthening **links between research and practice**
- CAP Strategic Plans 2023-2027 (main elements in relation to AKIS):
 - The **organisational set-up of AKIS**: systemic approach
 - How **advisors, researchers and national CAP networks** will work together
 - **Integration of all advisors in AKIS**
 - **Innovation support services**

EU CAP Network



EU CAP Network

- Launch event **6 October 2022**
- For the **networking of national networks, organisations, and administrations in the field of agriculture and rural development**



EU CAP Network: governance structure

ASSEMBLY

STEERING GROUP

PERMANENT SUBGROUPS

Commission Implementing Decision (EU) 2022/1864 of 5 October 2022 setting out the organisational structure and operation of the European CAP network and repealing Implementing Decision 2014/825/EU

Objectives of the EU CAP Network and national CAP networks

- Increase the involvement of all relevant stakeholders in the implementation/design of CAP SPs
- Accompany the Member States' administrations in the implementation of CAP Strategic Plans and the transition to a performance-based delivery model;
- Contribute to improving the quality of implementation of CAP SPs
- Contribute to the information of the public and potential beneficiaries on the CAP and funding opportunities
- **Foster innovation in agriculture and rural development and support peer-to-peer learning and the inclusion of, and the interaction between, all stakeholders in the knowledge-exchange and knowledge building process;**
- Contribute to monitoring and evaluation capacity and activities;
- Contribute to the dissemination of CAP Strategic Plans results.

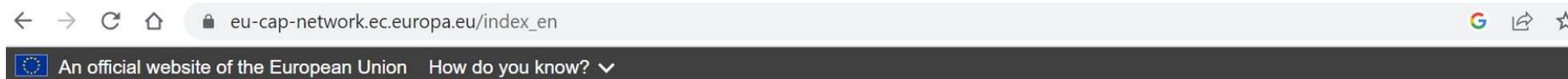
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SHARING KNOWLEDGE – TACKLING CHALLENGES – CONNECTING PEOPLE
SERVICES



New website

<https://eu-cap-network.ec.europa.eu>



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Social media

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Related thematic work and events

- **Thematic Group to look at ways of upscaling carbon farming (ENRD, 2022)**
- **EU CAP Network workshop ‘Enhancing food security under changing weather patterns: farm adaptation’ (Innovation & Knowledge exchange I EIP-AGRI, March 2023)**

Thank you

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