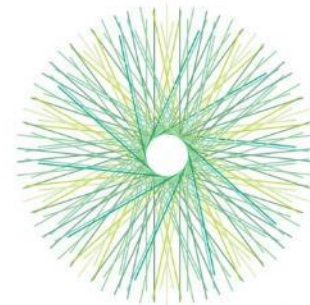


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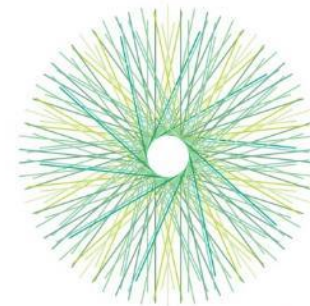


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Webinar, 26 May 2020

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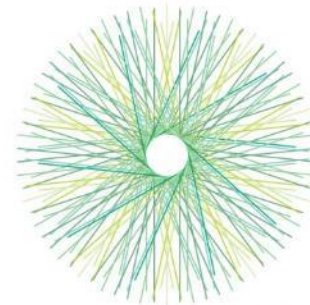
Events
(Focus Groups,
Subgroup on
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workshops and
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Recent activities – events



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April - May

28-29 April - Focus Group
'Sust. Beef Production systems'
1st meeting



Online - "How can grass-based beef production systems, based on agroecology principles, remain sustainable?"

5-6 May - Focus Group
'Wildlife and agricultural production'
1st meeting



Online - "How to promote innovative and sustainable practices to prevent and control wild animal damage on farms while at the same time protecting wildlife?"

13-14 May - Focus Group
'Industrial crops'
1st meeting



Online - "How can industrial crops contribute to new market opportunities, business models and sustainable farming systems which create value for farmers in the EU, while not replacing food production?"

13-14 May - Focus Group
'Tropical crops'
1st meeting



Online - "How to promote (sub)tropical crop diversification and integrated crop-livestock production systems to make them economically viable and more resilient to climate-change?"

19-20 May - Focus Group
'Reducing the plastic footprint of agriculture'
1st meeting

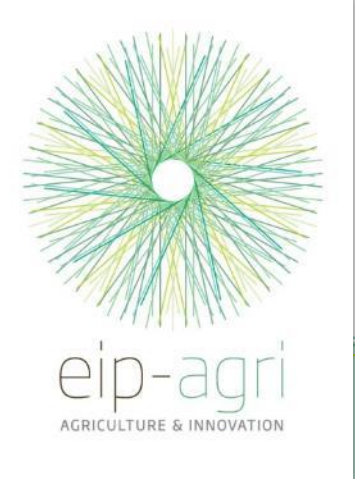


Online - "How to reduce the use of plastic in agricultural holdings through recycling and introducing alternatives?"

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Upcoming activities – events I



June

23 June — Subgroup
Innovation

➔ **CANCELLED** – A survey will be sent to the participants regarding next year activities.

September

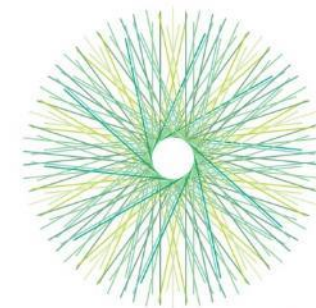
9-10 Sept - EIP-AGRI
Workshop 'Towards carbon
neutral agriculture'

➔ **Tallinn, Estonia** | Overall aim - promote networking among OGs and other innovative projects dealing with practices towards a more carbon neutral agriculture; also aiming at promoting the adoption of carbon neutral farming practices that bring other environmental benefits and identifying future research needs in this area.

17-18 Sept - EIP-AGRI
Seminar 'CAP Strategic Plans:
the key role of AKIS in Member
States'

➔ **Warsaw, Poland** | Overall aim - support the Member States in the preparation of their AKIS Strategic Plans and to promote efficient agricultural knowledge flows across the whole EU.

Upcoming activities – events II



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October

7-8 Oct - Seminar 'Healthy soils for Europe: sustainable management through knowledge and practice'



Setúbal, Portugal | Overall aim - raise awareness and address practical soil management challenges and solutions to enhance soil health.

13-14 Oct – FG 'Sustainable beef production systems', 2nd meeting



Face-to-face meeting in Toulouse, France (TBD)

13-14 Oct – FG 'Wildlife and agricultural production', 2nd meeting



Face-to-face meeting in Firenze, Italy (TBD)

21-23 Oct – FG 'Industrial crops', 2nd meeting



Face-to-face meeting in Stuttgart, Germany (TBD)

27-28 Oct – FG 'Reducing the plastic footprint of agriculture' 2nd meeting



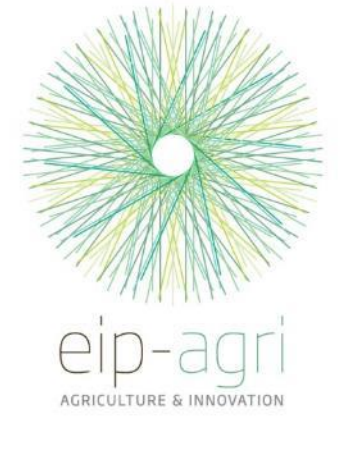
Face-to-face meeting in Alicante, Spain (TBD)

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Upcoming activities – events III



November

17-18 Nov - Workshop
'Forest innovation'
(provisional title)

➔ **Croatia** | Overall aim - to build up Forest Knowledge and Innovation Systems (F-KIS), by means of knowledge exchange, cooperation, education, training and advice to support sustainable forest management, and contribute to unlock the socio-economic and environmental potential of forest for EU rural areas.

December / January

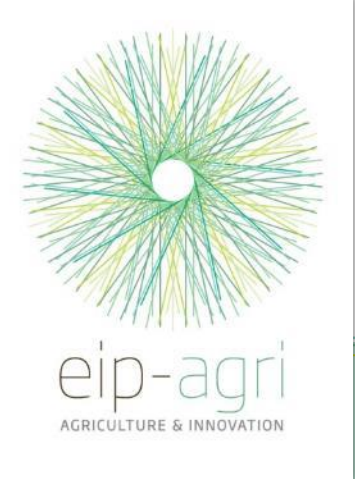
(TBD) – FG 'Tropical crops',
2nd meeting

➔ **Guadeloupe, France (TBD)**

3 December – Subgroup
Innovation 17th meeting

➔ **Brussels (TBD)**

Focus Groups meetings - online



Same general process as before.

First meeting of new FGs were conducted online.

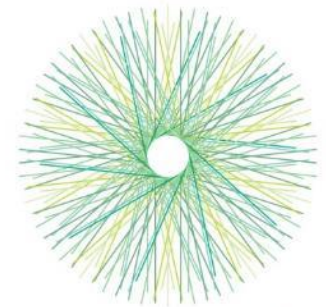
The platform used for the online meetings has been developed by one of the organisations which is part of the EIP-AGRI Service Point consortium.

Online meetings were interactive, with breakouts and plenary sessions.



Communication-related activities

- Monthly newsletter
- Press articles
- Agrinnovation magazine, soil – September 2020
- Brochure on climate-smart agriculture
- Thematic campaigns (social media, newsletter): plant health, circular bioeconomy, organic farming, animal welfare, soil, forestry, Operational Groups and new farmers
- Videos – [video gallery](#) on EIP-AGRI website
- Animated infographics: [Innovation Support Services](#), AKIS and FG
- Ideas for Operational Groups report (from FGs) – May / June



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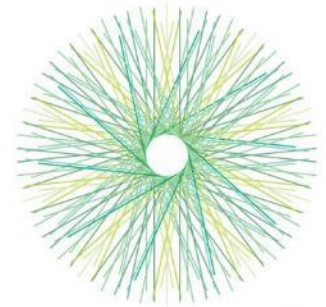


Innovation Support Services



Michael invites other fruit farmers to exchange their experience with the project.

Thank you for your attention!



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