

Introduction to AKIS

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The AKIS at the heart of the agricultural innovation ecosystem

What is an Agricultural Knowledge and Innovation System (AKIS)?

<u>What:</u> AKIS is the organisation and interaction of persons, organisations and institutions who <u>use</u> and <u>produce knowledge and innovation</u> for agriculture <u>and</u> interrelated fields.

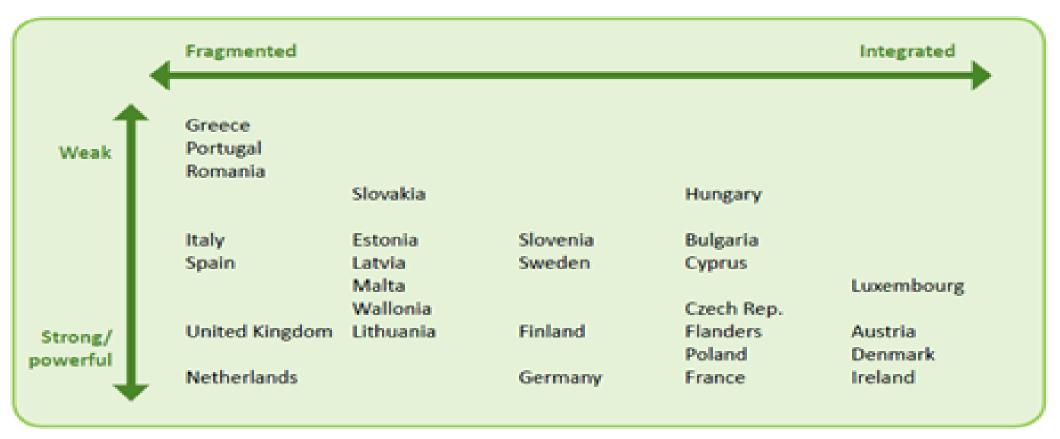
<u>Who:</u> The main players of the AKIS are: farmers/foresters, advisors, researchers, (farmer) organisations, NGOs, networks, retailers, media, services, various ministries...: they all produce and need knowledge!

Why: The aim is to create a <u>regional/national</u> innovation ecosystem by enhancing knowledge flows between the AKIS players as well as strengthening links between research and practice.

PROAKIS study: Characterising MS' AKIS



An overview (as of 2014)





How can CAP networks help strengthening innovation and knowledge exchange on all 9 CAP objectives?

- 1. Collecting and sharing outcomes of 3200+ EIP OGs from current CAP
- 2. Collecting and sharing outcomes of 180 H2020 multi-actor projects + Horizon Europe
- 3. EIP website + knowledge reservoirs being prepared under H2020
- 4. Connecting OGs with Horizon projects = great added value
- 5. All this material provides great input for local AKIS actors (farmers, advisors, businesses, researchers,..): training for advisors and farmers, peer-to-peer events, website, e-learning, ISS etc
- 6. Organising events to link and network AKIS actors for future cooperation
- 7. Start now, already testing future interventions and brainstorm in AKIS coordination platforms

Building an "EU AKIS"

