



Subgroup on Innovation for agricultural productivity and sustainability

13th Meeting

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9:00 – 10:00 Welcome and introduction – DG AGRI
Session I "Recent and future networking activities"

10:00 – 11:00 Session II "Assessment study on OGs and its implications for the future"



11:00 – 11:30 Coffee break

11:30 – 12:30 Interactive part Session II "Assessment study on OGs and its implications for the future"



12:30 – 13:30 Lunch break

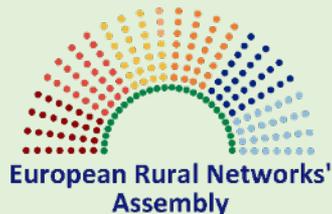
13:30 – 15:00 Session III "Strengthening the links between CAP and Horizon through the EIP-AGRI network: today and tomorrow"



15:00 – 15:30 Coffee break

15:30 – 16:30 Interactive part Session III "Strengthening the links between CAP and Horizon through the EIP-AGRI network: today and tomorrow"

16:30 – 16:45 AOB / Wrap up / next steps



Session III “Strengthening the links between CAP and Horizon through the EIP-AGRI network: today and tomorrow”

EIP-AGRI Focus Groups: concept, achievements, current situation

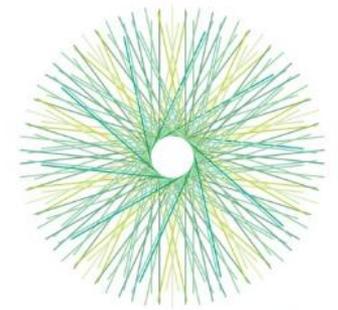
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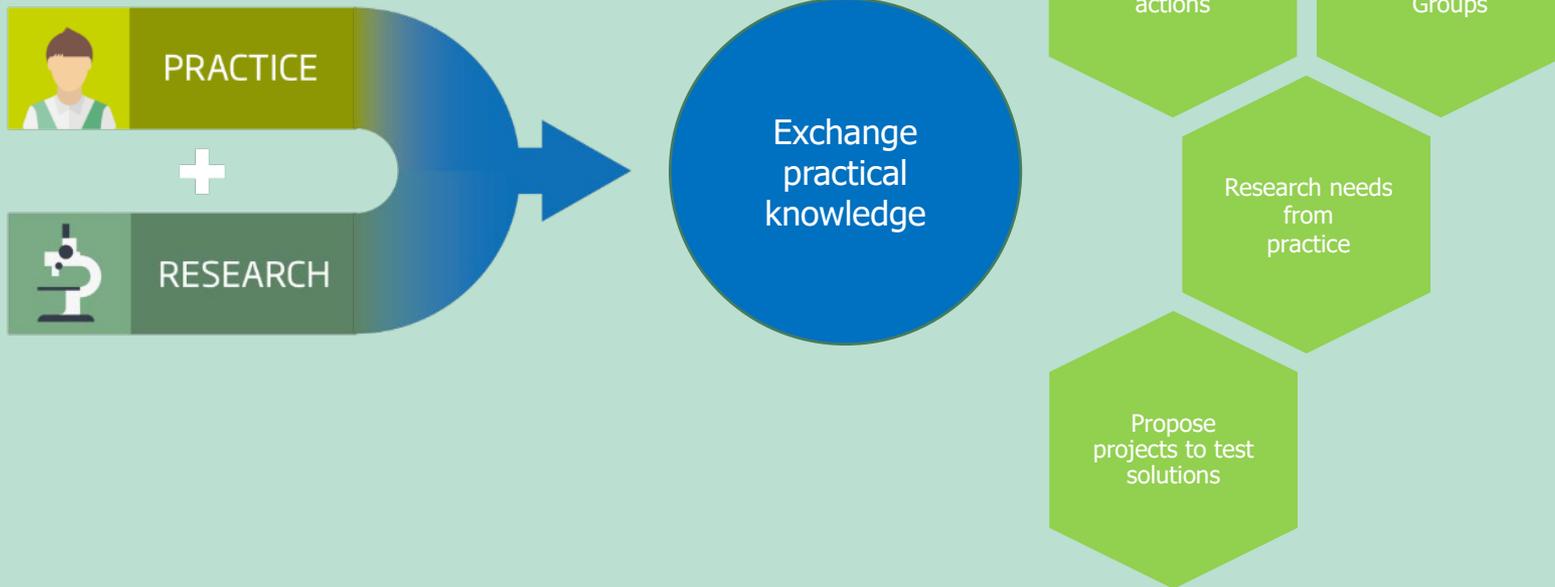
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EIP-AGRI Focus Groups, tackling agricultural challenges



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EIP-AGRI Focus group tasks (Focus Group Charter)

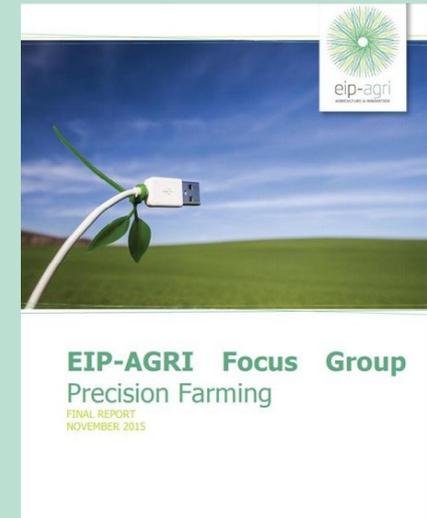
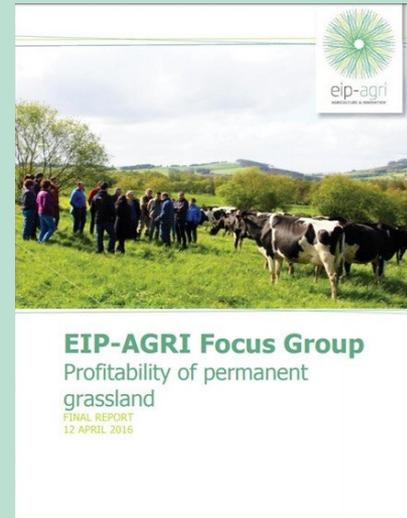
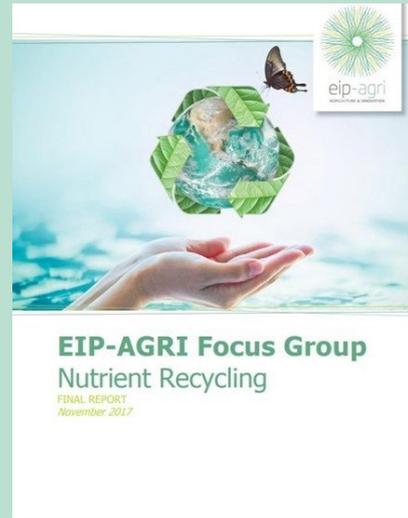
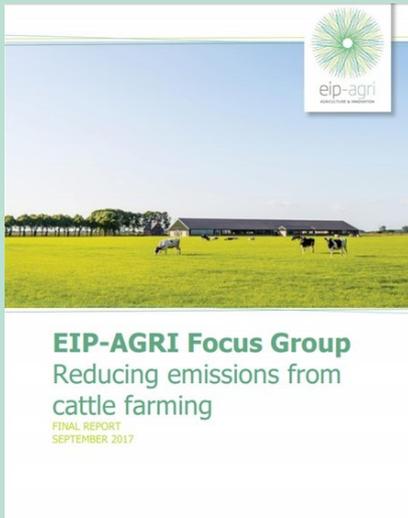
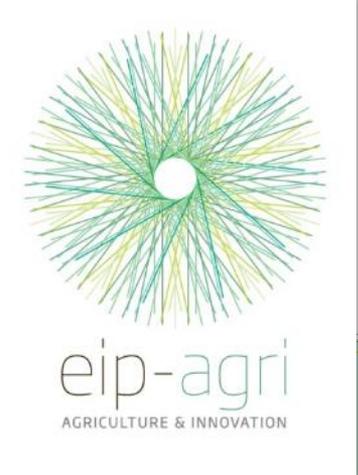
- To take stock of the state of play of practice in the field of the EIP-AGRI Focus Group activity, listing problems and opportunities.
- To take stock of the state of the art of research in this field, summarising possible solutions to the problems listed.
- To identify needs from practice and propose directions for further research.
- To propose priorities for innovative actions by suggesting potential practical operational groups or other project formats to test solutions and opportunities, including ways to disseminate the practical knowledge gathered.

For more information on EIP-AGRI Focus Groups and their tasks, please see the **Focus Group brochure** and **EIP-AGRI Focus Group Charter**.

EIP-AGRI Focus Groups



Examples of FG reports

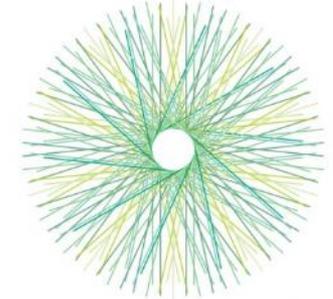


Assessment of the EIP-AGRI Focus groups

- assessment of the EIP-AGRI Focus Groups was presented to you in the subgroup meeting of 16 February 2017:
- Findings and recommendations included:
 - Room for improvement on use of FG results by OGs and MAs; interest is clear
 - When first OG calls were published, limited number of FG reports were available
 - FGs contributed to inspire several H2020 Thematic networks
 - The links between research platforms and OGs remain limited
 - The emphasis on results dissemination and use of common standards for dissemination between H2020 and OGs is considered as positive
 - More attention for targeted dissemination of results; dissemination strategies per FG
 - FG experts play an important role – and can help disseminate in their local language

Focus groups - progress

- 33 Focus Groups ongoing
- 5 new Focus Groups due to start soon
- Increasing efforts to disseminate results, involving FG experts in the process
- Translations of summaries in Spanish; translations of fact sheets
- Bottom up identification of topics – through [website form](#), and by the subgroup on innovation



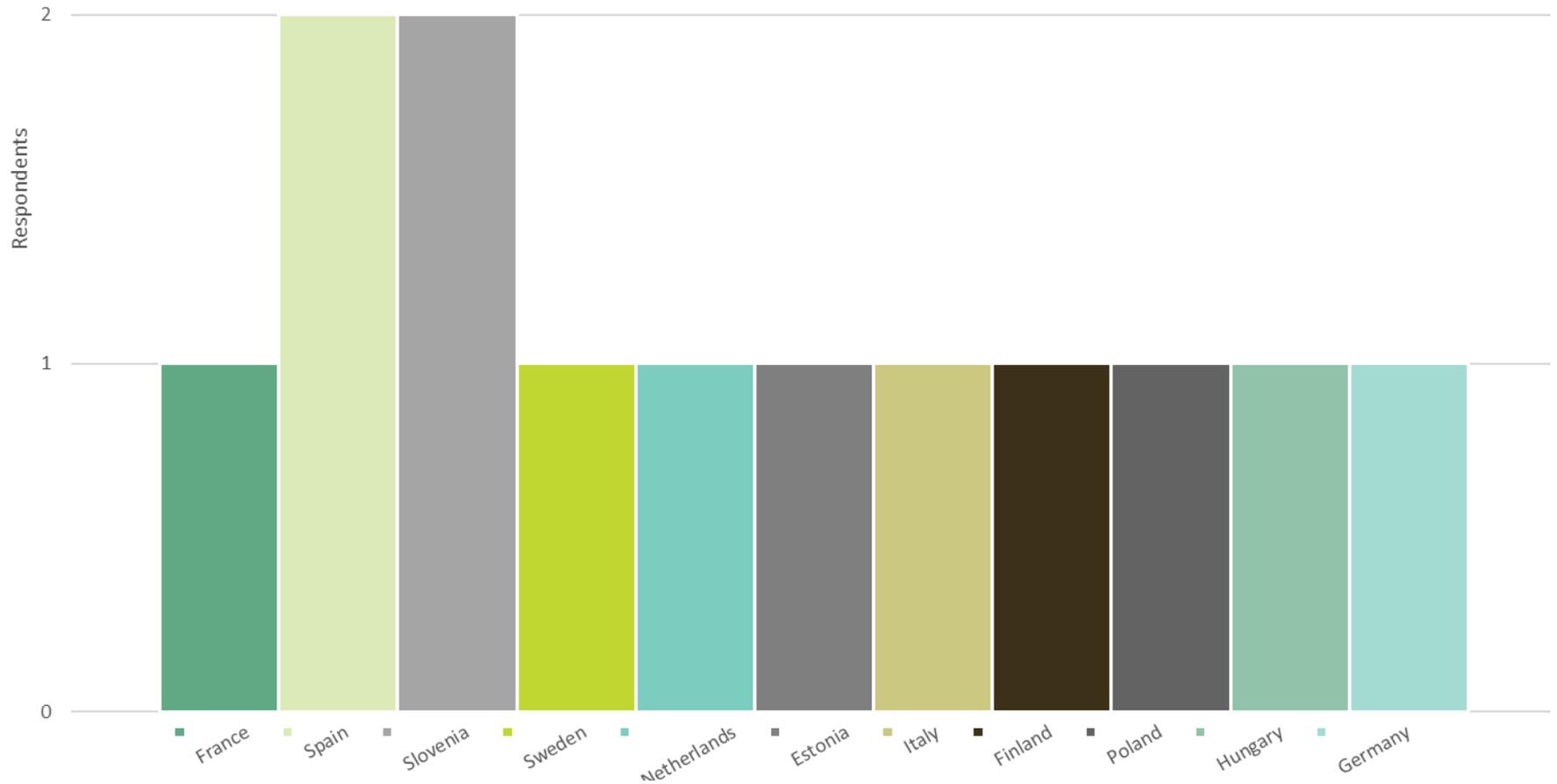
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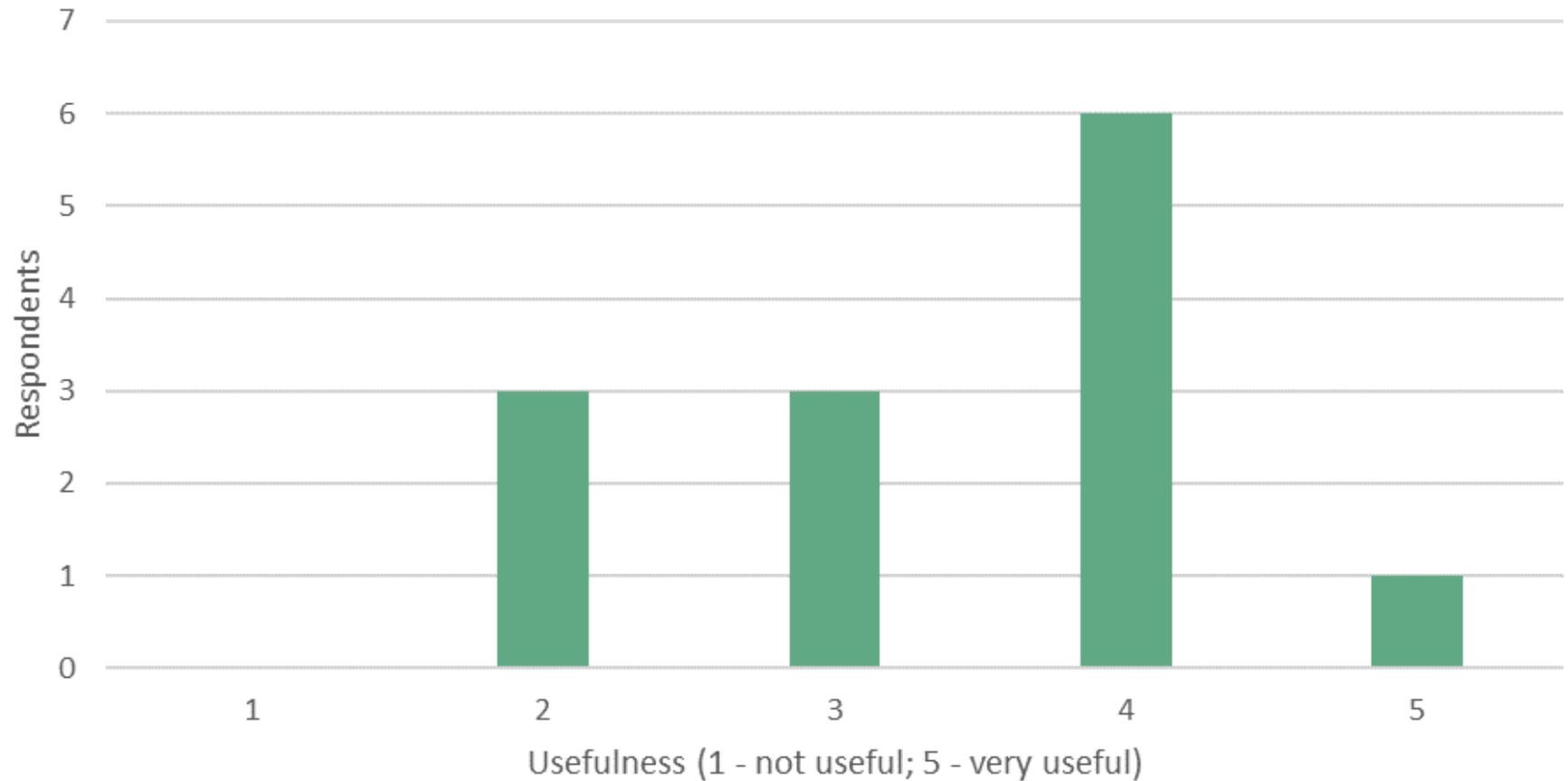
Topic	Lead	Start date	End date
1 Organic farming - Optimising water uses	Spain	1st Jan 2019	31st Dec 2019
2 Protein crops	Spain	1st Jan 2019	31st Dec 2019
3 Animal husbandry - Reducing antibiotic use and improving welfare	Spain	1st Jan 2019	31st Dec 2019
4 Genetic resources - Cooperation models	Spain	1st Jan 2019	31st Dec 2019
5 Soil organic matter content in Mediterranean regions	Spain	1st Jan 2019	31st Dec 2019
6 IPR for Breeds	Spain	1st Jan 2019	31st Dec 2019
7 High Service Value - Limited profitability	Spain	1st Jan 2019	31st Dec 2019
8 Intensive pig production - Feasibility of permanent grazing	Spain	1st Jan 2019	31st Dec 2019
9 Welfare of sheep - Focus on husbandry and transport	Spain	1st Jan 2019	31st Dec 2019
10 Improving profitability of crop production through biological control	Spain	1st Jan 2019	31st Dec 2019
11 Precision agriculture - Improving crop yield and water efficiency	Spain	1st Jan 2019	31st Dec 2019
12 IPR for Breeds	Spain	1st Jan 2019	31st Dec 2019
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14 New services for farmers	Spain	1st Jan 2019	31st Dec 2019
15 Water & agriculture	Spain	1st Jan 2019	31st Dec 2019
16 Mixed farming systems - Livestock & crops	Spain	1st Jan 2019	31st Dec 2019
17 Benchmarking farm profitability and sustainability performance	Spain	1st Jan 2019	31st Dec 2019
18 Livestock welfare - Reducing antibiotic use and improving welfare	Spain	1st Jan 2019	31st Dec 2019
19 Nutrient recycling	Spain	1st Jan 2019	31st Dec 2019
20 Sustainable intensification of crop production	Spain	1st Jan 2019	31st Dec 2019
21 Digital and resilient dairy production systems	Spain	1st Jan 2019	31st Dec 2019
22 Agripreneur - Supporting newly agripreneurs and established agripreneurs	Spain	1st Jan 2019	31st Dec 2019
23 Innovation in crop production	Spain	1st Jan 2019	31st Dec 2019
24 New breed practices and tools	Spain	1st Jan 2019	31st Dec 2019
25 Crop for bees	Spain	1st Jan 2019	31st Dec 2019
26 Carbon storage in stable farming	Spain	1st Jan 2019	31st Dec 2019
27 Circular bioeconomy	Spain	1st Jan 2019	31st Dec 2019
28 Enhancing production and use of renewable energy in the farm	Spain	1st Jan 2019	31st Dec 2019
29 New breed for pig and poultry	Spain	1st Jan 2019	31st Dec 2019
30 Improving farm production from sheep	Spain	1st Jan 2019	31st Dec 2019
31 Precision farm production from sheep	Spain	1st Jan 2019	31st Dec 2019
32 Reducing feed loss in the farm	Spain	1st Jan 2019	31st Dec 2019
33 New chemical weed management	Spain	1st Jan 2019	31st Dec 2019
34 Pests and diseases of the olive tree	Spain	1st Jan 2019	31st Dec 2019

Survey among Subgroup members

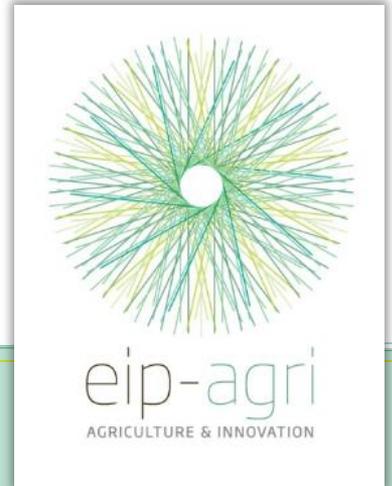
Who took part in the survey? (13 replies)



Usefulness of FGs for identifying research needs and providing ideas for OGs and other projects

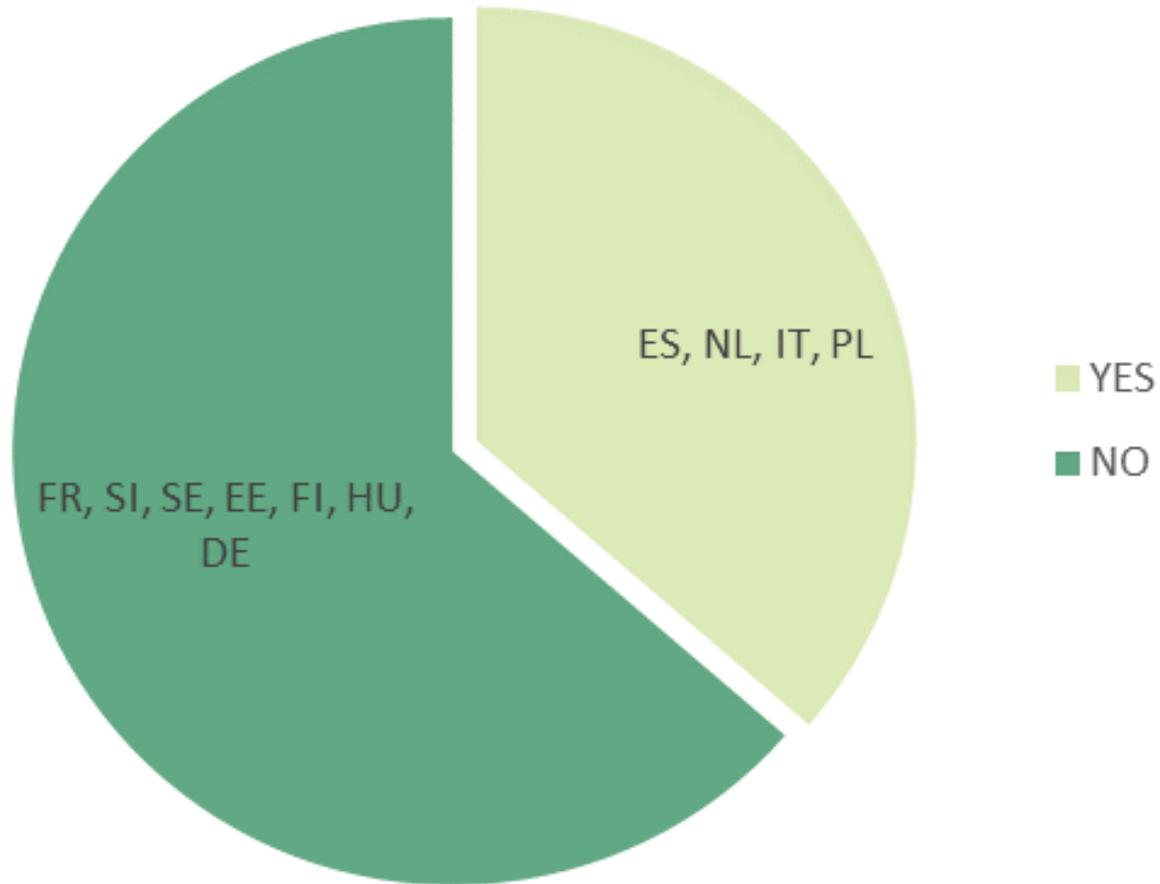


Examples of how FG results were used



- FG experts helped to set up OGs (ES)
- OGs used FG results to develop their projects (ES, EE, SI)
- Room for improvement of use of FG results by OGs (EE, HU, NL, PL)
- FG results less useful for OGs – not sufficiently specific for local situation (FI, IT)
- Results were used to inform agricultural advisers and applied researchers in their work (SI, SE, HU, IT)
- The most useful results of FGs is the benefit for researchers for their brokering and knowledge needs (IT)
- Focus Groups were involved in successful H2020 projects (Thematic networks) (DE, IT, SE)
- FG reports were used by provinces to make sure that funding would target new knowledge needs (NL)
- NSUs disseminate FG results (PL, and several other countries)
- NSUs organise meetings to bring FG experts together

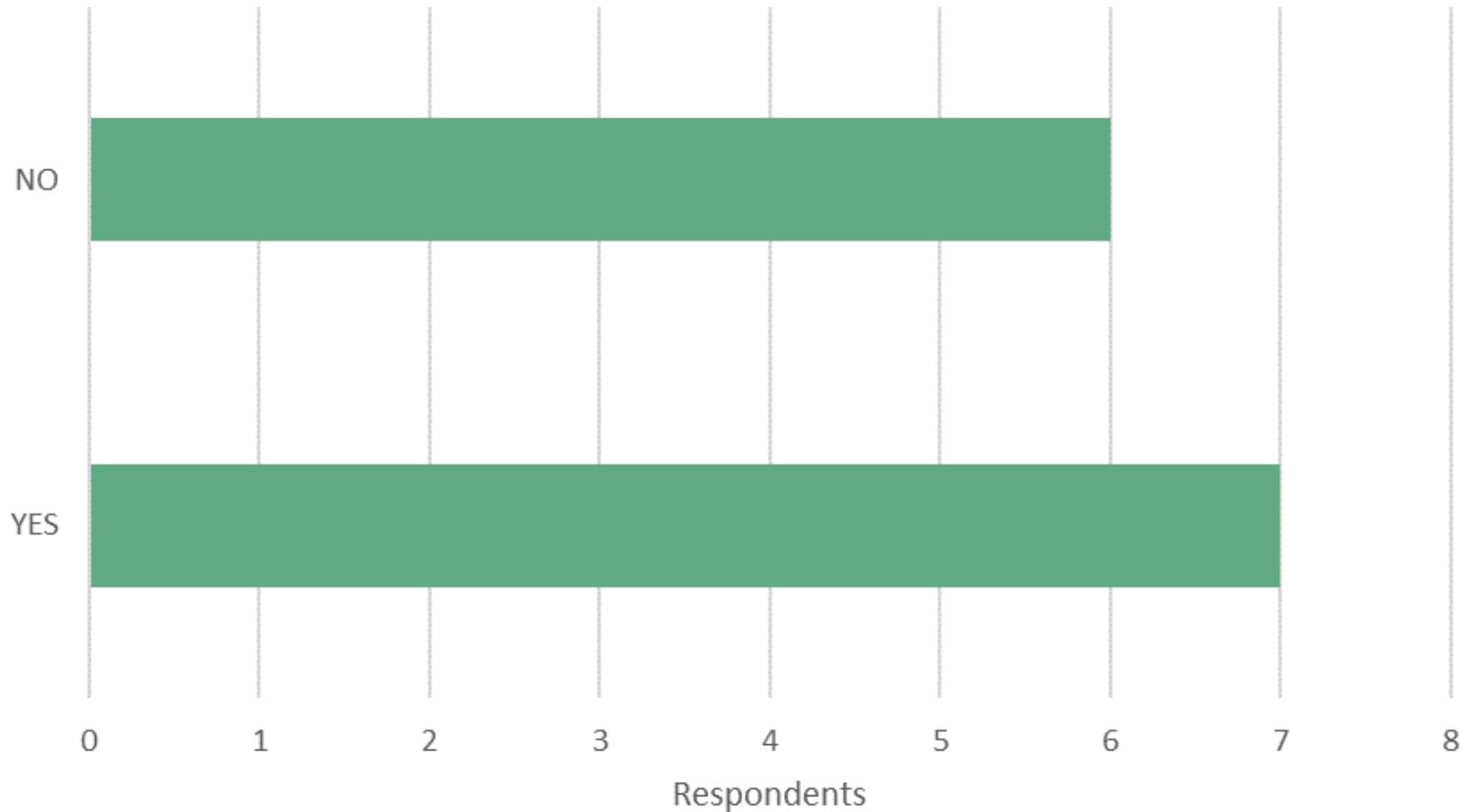
Which countries have organised national Focus Groups?



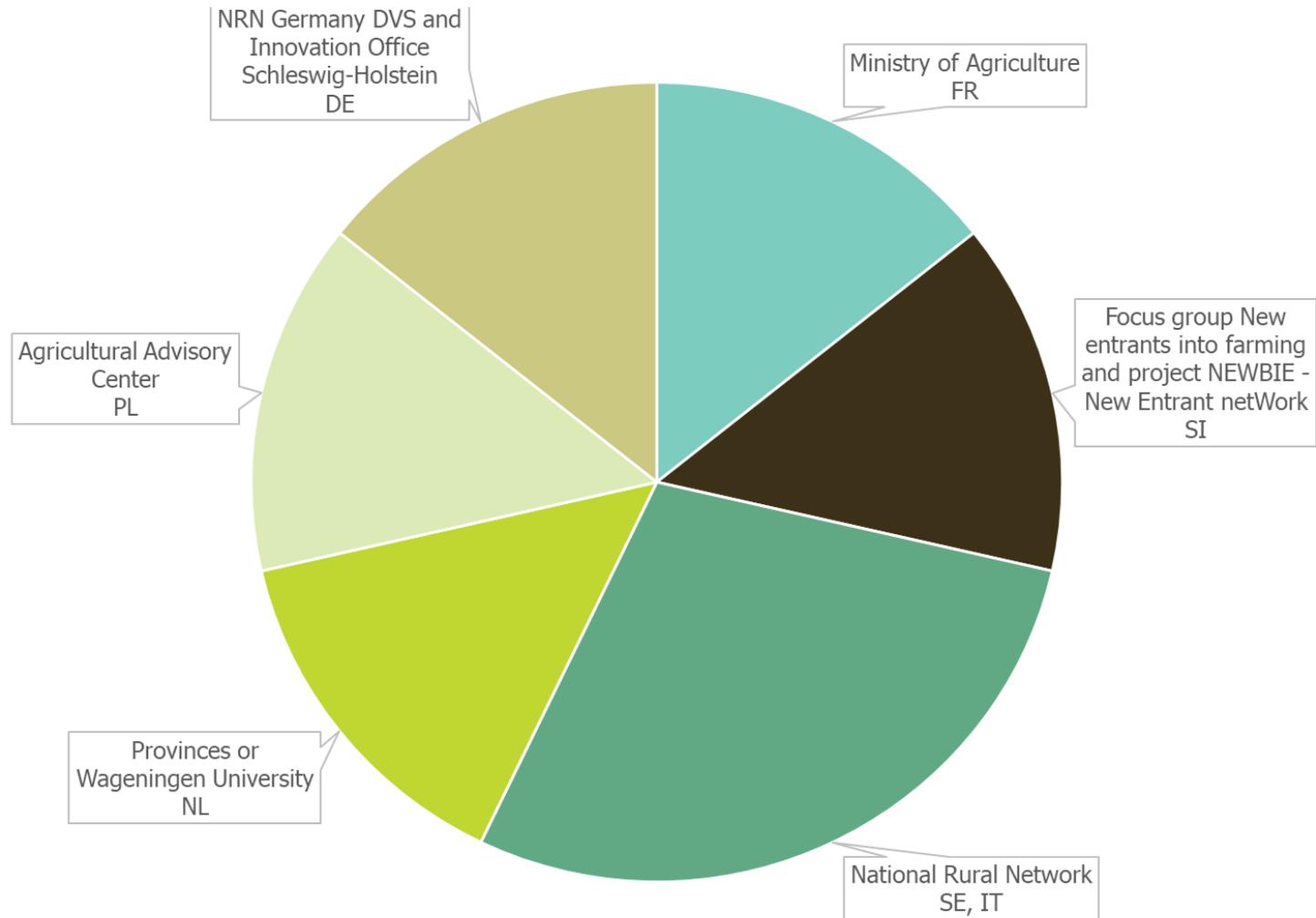
Do the national FGs relate to EIP-AGRI FGs at EU-level?

- **Spain:** The information provided by EU FGs is used as a starting point and to give some context. For instance, the Spanish FG of digitisation and big data takes into account the information provided by the EU Precision Agriculture Focus Group.
- **Italy:** Some of the topics are similar.
- **Poland:** We have established 3 FGs and one of them relates to the EU FG - "The Short Food Supply Chain management".

Awareness of any recent, ongoing or future activities linking OGs and Horizon 2020 projects



Organiser of activities linking OGs and H2020 projects in MSs



Linking OGs and H2020 projects nationally (cont.)

kind of activity or event

