## Connecting consumers and producers to rebalance farmers' position through ambassadors trainings







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## **COCOREADO** at a glance



#### Goal

The EU-funded COCOREADO project aims to rebalance the position of the farmer as an individual actor, as a keyplayer in innovative food supply chains and as a supplier for public procurement.

Based on the multi-actor approach and a deep understanding of agricultural knowledge and innovation systems (AKIS), the project applies a three-fold approach to maximize impact, relying on ambassadorship, good practices and a focus on youth.



#### **Budget:**

Overall Budget: € 2 999 250.00 EU contribution: € 2 999 250.00

#### **Duration:**

42 months - Starting date: 1 January 2021

#### **Consortium:**

13 partners & 9 European countries

#### Call:

H2020-RUR-2020-1

#### Topic:

RUR-05-2020 - Connecting consumers and producers in innovative agri-food supply chains



#### **Problem statement**

Poor position of the farmer, including price pressure

Fast evolving consumer demand

Disconnection between consumers and producers

Planetary boundaries

Socio-demographic profile of farmers in Europe

Sustainable Development Goals

#### **Opportunities**

Food systems approach

Good practices

Novel food systems

Open-source platforms

Increased consumer awareness on sustainability

Digitalization of society, especially youth

Agriculture Knowledge and Innovation System (AKIS)

#### **Objectives**

Collect and analyse good practices

Facilitate replicability of practices

Develop tools for farmers

Empower consumers and producers

Co-create local initiatives

Improve public instruments

Develop support mechanisms for authorities

#### Approach

Define success factors & good practices

Evaluate & test replicability

EIP AGRI multi-actor approach

Ambassadorship and local multipliers

Co-creation

Theory of change Systems thinking

#### Output

Share good practices that enhance the position of the farmer

Educational materials

Digital decision support tools

Ambassador trainings

Events (such as open days)

Co-create initiatives
Communication







# The project objectives, approach & flow









To coordinate and support actions that rebalance the position of farmers in supply chains and procurement procedures:



- by scrutinising existing innovative initiatives across Europe from the perspective of the farmer's position in the chain and making the translation into good, hands-on approaches
- through the investment in trainings, educational materials and decision support tools, complemented with the co-creation of new 'seed' initiatives in practice, via an Ambassadors network







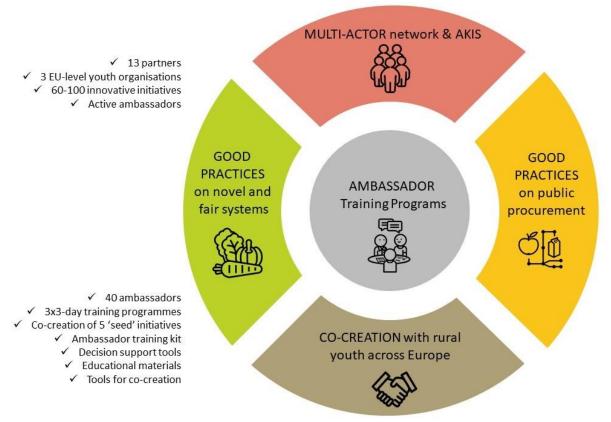


#### **Specific objectives**

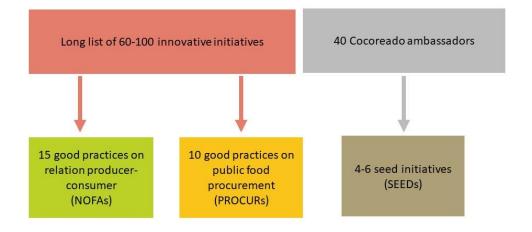
- To collect and analyse good practices, define solutions and develop tools that assist farmers to implement innovation that contributes to strengthening their position on the food chain.
- 2. Stimulate citizens to take initiatives that close the gap between farmers and consumers.
- 3. To develop decision support tools that can assist local governments in the development of a sound public procurement protocol enabling local and small farmers to participate, thus strengthening their position in the food chain.

#### The project approach

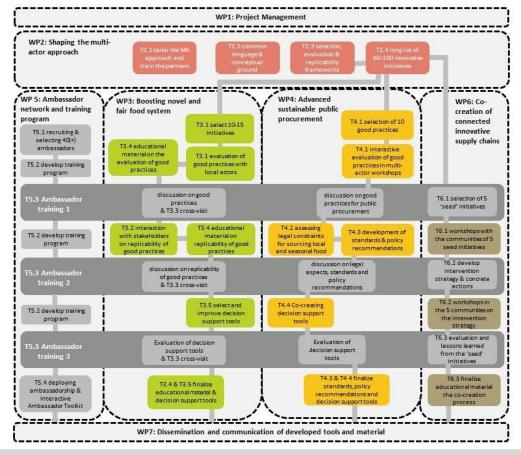
















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