

**Subgroup on Innovation and Knowledge Exchange**  
**2nd meeting**  
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# Innovation, Knowledge Exchange/ EIP-AGRI – latest updates

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# EU CAP Network Governance – timeline 2023



- 6th of March - EU CAP Network Assembly
- March - Invitation to Assembly members to nominate members of the Subgroups (on a voluntary basis)
- April – May - meetings of Subgroups on LEADER, CAP SP and SolKE
- End of June/beginning of July - 1<sup>st</sup> Steering Group
- October - 2<sup>nd</sup> Steering Group Meeting
- November - 4<sup>th</sup> Meeting of SOIKE, 2<sup>nd</sup> Meeting of CAP SP Subgroup
- December (first week) - 2<sup>nd</sup> Meeting of the EU CAP Network Assembly

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# Workshop ‘Young Entrepreneurs – Engines of Innovation in Rural Areas’

- 30 November - 1 December 2022, Dublin, Ireland
- 65 participants from 19 different countries

- **Participants’ profiles:** young entrepreneurs, farmers, researchers, advisors, representatives of chambers of agriculture, innovation brokers, etc.
- **Field visits:** three different groups visiting innovative rural businesses and initiatives around Dublin
- **Programme:** Plenary sessions, interactive breakout discussions on challenges to innovation and entrepreneur’s needs; showcasing and learning from inspiring solutions, case clinic, discussions on promoting and scaling up young rural innovation and entrepreneurship



# EU CAP Network Seminar ‘Smart circular farming to address high energy and fertiliser prices’



## 6-7 December 2022 Porto, Portugal

- **101 participants from 23 MSs:** farmers, advisors, researchers, circular economy specialists, etc.
- Plenary and interactive sessions with discussions on promising solutions to overcome energy and fertilizer depletion and maintain sustainability.
- Interactive session “**Project solutions showcase**” with ca. 40 relevant innovative projects presented by attendees
- **Field trips** to innovative circular economy projects aimed at increasing resource efficiency and sustainability
- Additional half-day ‘**Idea and project exchange market**’ for more one to one interactions (brokerage session)



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## Brokerage event: ‘Getting involved in Horizon Europe advisory networks’ 17-18 January 2023 | Sofia, Bulgaria

The main objective of the brokerage event was to support applicants in preparing their proposals for EU advisory networks under the Horizon Europe calls 2023-2024.

Open call for participation: more than 600 applicants!

Participants: 81 in total from 26 MSs; 48% farm advisors, also innovation support services, farmers, foresters, researchers and National Contact Points for Horizon Programme.

Two half-day programme, including:

- Sessions to set the scene and share experiences on building proposals and consortia for Horizon Europe EU Advisory Networks
- Matchmaking - number of 1:1 meetings on Day 2 = 146

The [Horizon Europe - Cluster 6: “Food, bioeconomy, natural resources, agriculture and environment”](#) was published in December 2022 and includes a call for proposals for advisory networks.



# EU CAP Network Focus Groups – 1<sup>st</sup> meetings

## Focus Group 49 Recovery of abandoned agricultural lands 24-25/01/2023



### Main question

How to foster new, practical ways for better management of abandoned agricultural land in a sustainable way?



## Focus Group 48 Social farming & innovations 25-26/01/2023

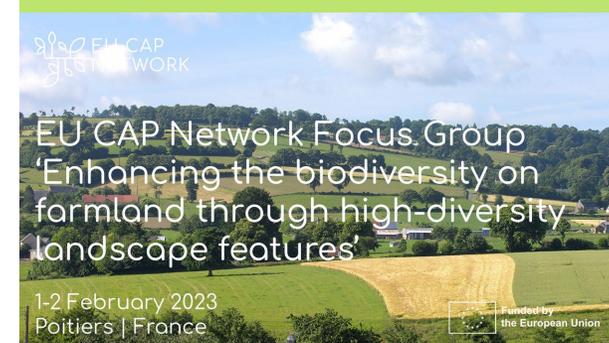


### Main question

*How can social farming contribute to innovation in agriculture while strengthening the multi-functional role of agriculture, and connecting people from urban and rural areas?*



## Focus Group 47 Biodiversity on farmlands 01-02/02/2023



### Main question

*How can farmers create and maintain HDLF that positively impact farmland biodiversity?*



# Communication activities AWP2022-2023 > October 2022

- Brochure Horizon Europe – calls 2023
- 5 factsheets
  - Nature-Based Solutions for water management under climate change
  - Digital tools for sustainable nutrient management
  - Sustainable ways to reduce pesticides in pome and stone fruit production
  - Tips and tricks to apply for Horizon Europe calls
  - Farm data for better farm performance
- 4 monthly newsletter – (December focus on soil health)
- 1 thematic newsletter on organic farming
- Contribution to the monthly EU CAP Network Newsletter
- 6 press articles (organic farming, young entrepreneurs, Horizon calls, soil health, smart circular farming)
- 1 video on digital tools on nutrient management
- 1 videoclip to announce the spring activities

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# Communication activities AWP2022-2023 coming up...

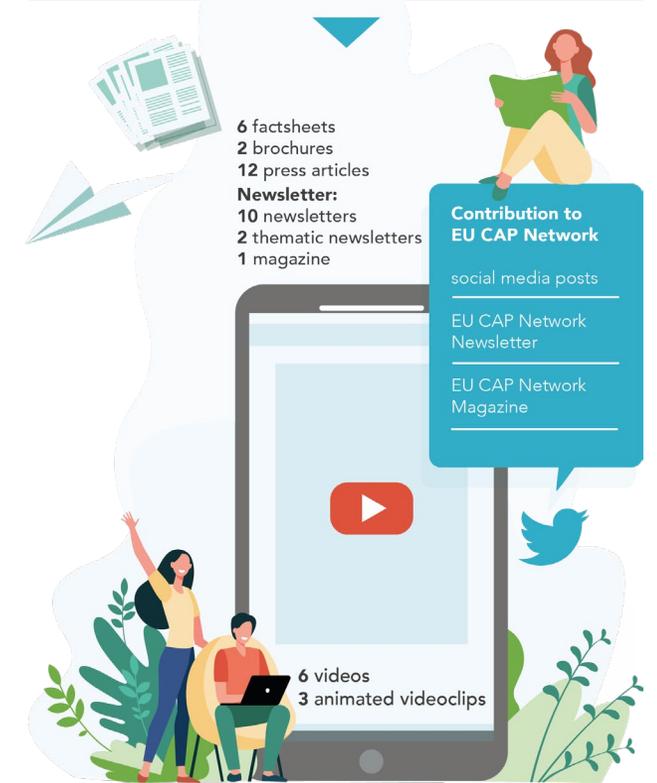
- Agrinnovation magazine: to be published mid April
- Contribution to the EU CAP Network magazine (to be published end June)
- Brochure on **social innovation**: to be published July/ August
- 4 newsletters (April or May newsletter focussing on **high fertiliser prices**)
- Thematic newsletter on **biodiversity**: 22 May
- Contribution to the monthly EU CAP Newsletter
- 6 press articles
- 5 videos
- 1 videoclip

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Suggestions related to the topics?

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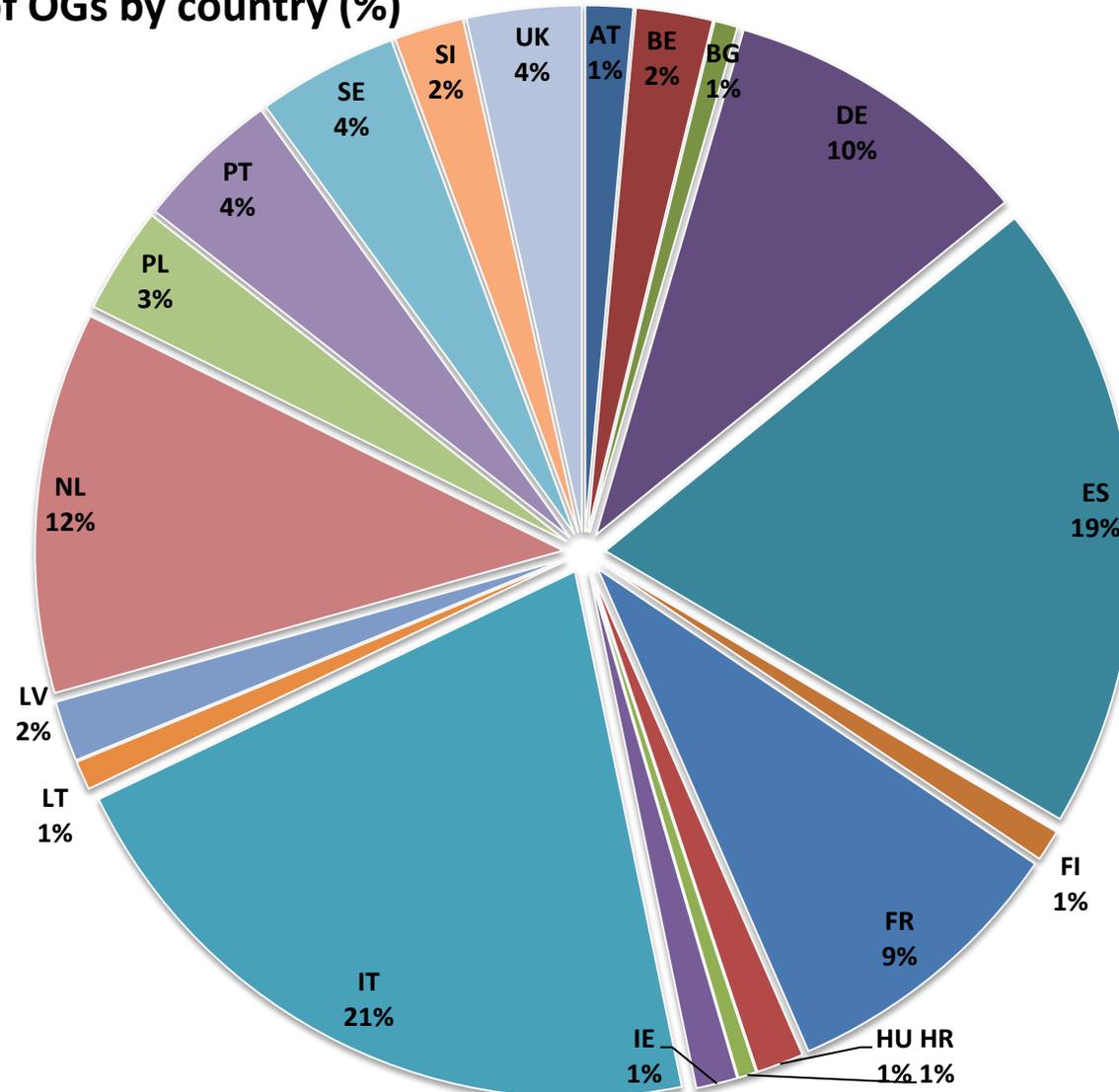
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# OGs update

	OGs
AT	39
BE	63
BG	19
CZ	11
DE	257
EE	2
ES	520
FI	26
FR	241
HU	39
HR	15
IE	34
IT	566
LT	24
LV	50
MT	1
NL	314
PL	88
PT	119
RO	26
SE	115
SI	57
UK	94

Distribution of OGs by country (%)



Total N° of OGs 2720

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All information on the SolKE is available  
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On the event webpage:

[https://eu-cap-network.ec.europa.eu/news-events/events/  
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