



SWG AKIS

Designing MS AKIS PLANS: Inputs from Italy

Athens Meeting
28th of February to 1st of March 2017



Work in progress

In March regional administrations will meet to discuss the implications of the EC Communication

Enhance knowledge flows within the AKIS and strengthen links between research and practice

- ▶ **EX ANTE ASSESSMENT:** who and where we are ! **MAPPING** and **PROFILING** actors: NRNs; NCPs; technological parks (knowledge multipliers): *other funds & sectors ...*
Mutual recognition; Co-starting point
- ▶ **CO-MAKING a CAP AKIS Strategic Plan:** **participatory planning:** *Recognition, institutionalizing AKIS actors' strategic potential to CAP objectives: co-programming AKIS' participation to the CAP implementation.*
- ▶ **Specific Support for multi-actor/thematic NETWORKS:** this option has not yet exploited in RDPs; preliminary to OGs and IIs. Consolidation of collaborations.
- ▶ **BUDGET** commitments to cross-fertilization actions (from H2020 down to OGs projects): NRNs meetings; farmers demonstrations; H2020 workshops.

NRNs can facilitate knowledge flows: not play researchers/farmers' roles!

Strengthen farm advisory services within MS' AKISs

- ▶ **MAPPING AND PROFILING:** who, to whom, how and by which means? no actual information;
- ▶ **Recognition of their PUBLIC function:**
 - ▶ advisor is able to timely capture needs and expectations of the farmers and to influence their decisions for innovation ...
 - ▶ institutionalization of their involvement into programming process. No difference among private and public advisors!:
- ▶ **NEW TOOLS:**
 - ▶ **Common research, training and advisory plans:** make them co-develop their contribution to CAP and national/regional objectives.
 - ▶ **Mentoring-programmes between advisory services and MAs:** one advisor acts as mentor/observer of each OG; commitment to inform other advisors and farmers; annual meetings to share experiences. Use of advisors as knowledge multipliers.

Incentivize interactive innovation projects

- ▶ **Enhance governance of EIP-Agri at EU and national level:** co-strategic planning, coordination and information flows among authorities: EC; REA, NCPs, NRNs, ERDN, ...
- ▶ **LINK** H2020 and OGs projects: More effective and on-going **MONITORING** of MAs projects at different levels: on-going dissemination of knowledge and **cross-fertilization**. Let them meet to each other!
- ▶ **PRACTICAL suggestions to MAs** on how to carry on:
 - ▶ **Preliminary Information** to potential beneficiaries: info days; research/farm days;
 - ▶ **Synergies and complementarities**
 - ▶ **Information and support on methods and tools for effective Interactive innovation at territorial level:**
 - ▶ Workshops, Living labs, Innocamps; ... Learning to co-create, co-produce, co-disseminate;
 - ▶ Dissemination actions: listing
 - ▶ Cost-opportunity at benefit of farmers (commitment to the project and to collaborative approach): lump-sum; vouchers; ...

Support digital transition in agriculture

- ▶ Need for major information on innovations on digitalization: a lot to **monitor** and
- ▶ To present for their results: farmers need to **see the potential of the investments** on digitalization.