

Meeting of the SCAR SWG AKIS

Experiences with EIP Operational Groups in current Rural Development programme 2014-2022
and Plans for the OG calls in the future CAP plan 2023-2027

Member state: France

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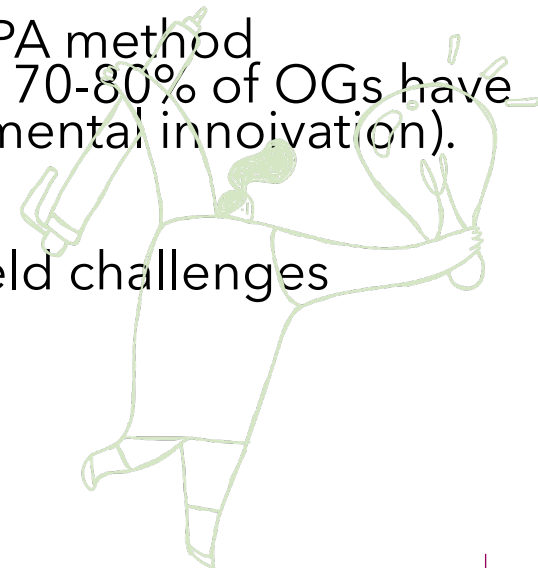
1. Experiences with EIP OGs in 2014-2022

- Content of calls: Different contents depending on the Region launching the calls
 - Topics covered: great diversity. Agroecology comes first. A few OGs on forestry
- Possibility of one year projects to support the emergence of an OG.
- Technical institutes and Agri chambers have a major role in setting up OGs
- OGs members knew each other before setting up the groups.
- Low representation of downstream actors (food industry, retailers, consumers). Low representation of local governments
- Little contacts with EU wide networks
- Weak articulation with other groups established through national programs (CASDAR, GIEE, etc.)



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- Outcomes: 180 M€ budgeted for the OGs in the present programming.
An average OG = 300 K€ /3 years, with 7 partner organizations
All regions have activated the cooperation measure for the OGs except Corsica.
Britany has abandoned during the programming because of complexity of administrative procedures. They have preferred focusing on their own tools and programs.
On average 20 OGs/Region, but very heterogeneous (70 OGs in Normandy)
- Impact: no real impact assessment conducted. Intention to use the ASIRPA method (developed by INRAe) of impact assessment in the next programming. 70-80% of OGs have achieved their objectives, mainly in terms of production practices (incremental innovation).
- Acceptance: 80% of OGs are satisfied with the answers given to initial field challenges

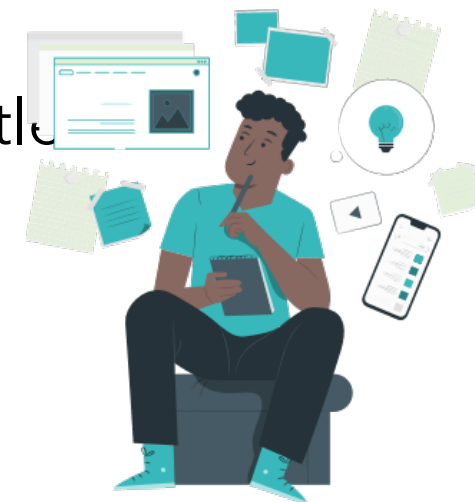


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- Management: There is a national EIP management network moderated by the Ministry with the participation of Regions and the National Agency for Territorial Cohesiveness (ANCT). This network is a subnetwork of the rural network.

Lack of systematic capitalization (only the sheep and forestry sectors have capitalized nationally on GOs outcome). No regional platform. No obligation to register outcomes of OGs in any existing database. The only requirement is for the regional authorities to inform the European OGs database at the start of the project (not on results)

- Administration: by the Regions. Very time consuming with little manpower



2. Plans for EIP OGs/O.1 projects in 2023-2027

Detailed plans still under preparation by the Regions. No visibility at the moment.

Some areas of improvement are presently discussed at Ministry level in connection with regions, such as:

Simplify administrative burden, so that new, smaller, entities can build OGs

Support better the OG conveners.

2. Plans for EIP OGs/O.1 projects in 2023-2027

Better animation/capitalization of OGs at regional/national levels (this is already included in the national AKIS plan). RMTs might be given a role in capitalizing outcomes of OGs.

Better articulate the EIP network with the national AKIS. Include more education organizations in the OGs

Ensure complementarity between EIP OGs and other national R&D projects

Improve interoperability of database and include OGs outcomes in them
180 M€/5 years budgeted for the next programming.

Thank you for your attention

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