Subgroup on Innovation
for agricultural productivity and sustainability
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09:00 – 9:15   Opening – Aldo Longo, Director DG Agriculture and Rural Development

09:15 – 9:30   Who is who? – Margarida Ambar – Sergiu Didicescu, EIP-AGRI Service Point

09:30 – 10:00 Subgroup on Innovation – Iman Boot, DG AGRI.H.5

10:00 – 10:10 Introduction to interactive session 1 "Priorities for innovation''

                Margarida Ambar, EIP-AGRI Service Point

10:10 – 10:40 Coffee break

10:40 – 11:40 Interactive session 1 "Priorities for innovation''

11:40 – 12:10 Reporting back from interactive session 1

12:10 – 12:15 Practical announcements

12:15 – 13:30 Lunch break

13:30 – 13:50 The EIP-AGRI networking tools – Willemine Brinkman, EIP-AGRI Service Point

13:50 – 14:00 Introduction to interactive session 2 ''Networking tools''

                Sergiu Didicescu, EIP-AGRI Service Point

14:00 – 15:00 Interactive session 2 ''Networking tools''

15:00 – 15:30 Coffee break

15:30 – 16:00 Reporting back from interactive session 2

16:00 – 16:30 Matching priorities and tools: EIP-AGRI work plan 2015

16:30 – 17:00 Wrap up – next steps

        17:00 Closing

Interactive session 2
"Networking tools"

Objectives

- Brainstorm how to use EIP-AGRI tools available for 2015

- Map your own tools available to support networking activities. What could you consider doing in the future?

Interactive session 2
Process

- Discussion in six break-out groups - balanced distribution according to categories of representatives

- All break-out groups discuss the same two questions

- Find your break-out group in the document received in your folder

- Every group answers the same two questions – use different colored card for each question

- Choose 1 rapporteur per group

- 60 minutes in total to work in groups

- Results presented in next block

Interactive session 2
Questions for groups

- While considering the EIP-AGRI tools available for 2015, what could be:
  - the theme
  - the primary objectives
  - other aspects for each tool?
  EIP-AGRI Tools 2015 – 1 Seminar, 2 Workshops, 3 Focus Groups

- What other networking tools do you have available to support the EIP-AGRI network? What could you consider doing?

Inspiration

1. **Sustainable intensification system – e.g. precision farming 'doing more with less'**
2. **Agricultural diversification – e.g. ecosystem services**
3. **Where to collect and share information**
4. **Benchmarking between farmers (EU / national)**
5. **peer-to-peer exchange (national level) - Erasmus for farmers (EU level)**
6. **EU networking to support independent advisory services**
7. **Adequate communication tools including low barrier tools – e.g. text messages**
8. **How to better connect practice, research and advisory services – e.g. language barriers (between actors and between countries) and incentives**
9. **Use of waste, logistics , storage, biosecurity**
10. **Integration of the value chain: mapping challenges and opportunities**
11. **Food waste**
12. **Clmate change adaptation: Water management, use genetic resources, crops diversity, sanitary solutions, agro-forestry**
13. **Climage change mitigation: Carbon sequestration, emission reduction in livestock sector, fertilisation techniques, waste management (biogas)**
14. **Improve contracting power of farmers (logistics, tools,…)**
15. **Education needs from farmers on market innovation**
16. **Establish structure/body to monitor data on market innovation from regional level**
17. **How to improve public procurement to support local production**