



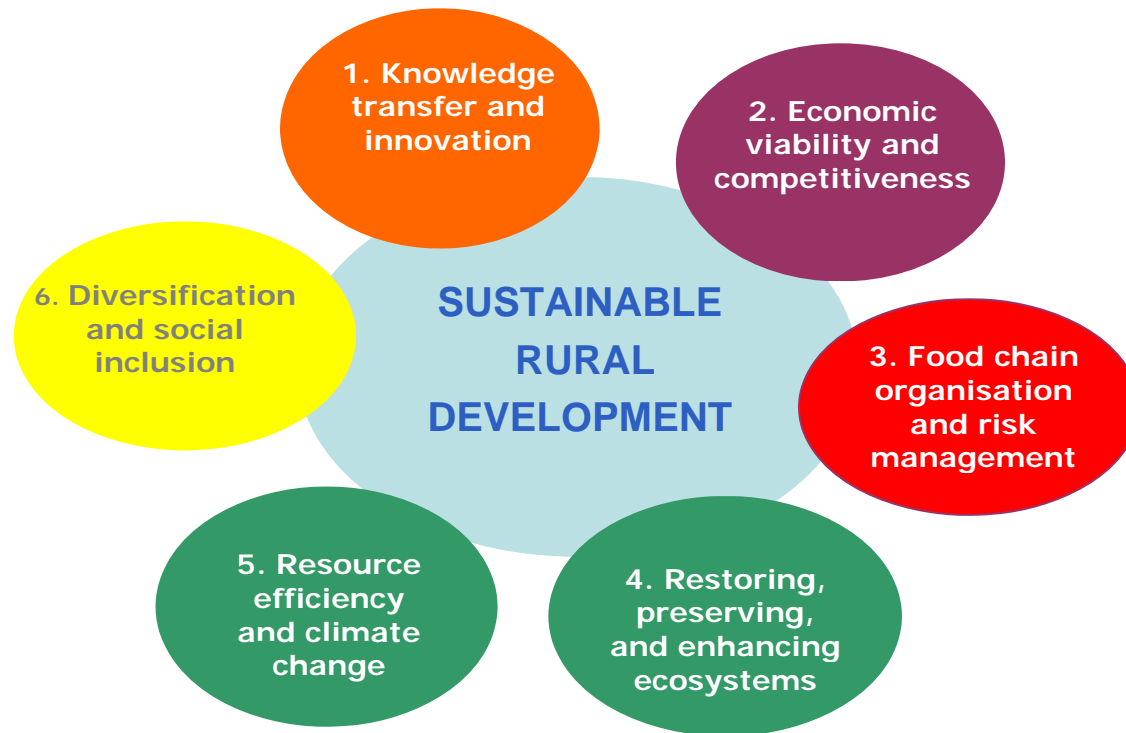
Animal welfare in current EU Rural Development Programmes and EIP-AGRI



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Priorities for Rural Development 2014-2020





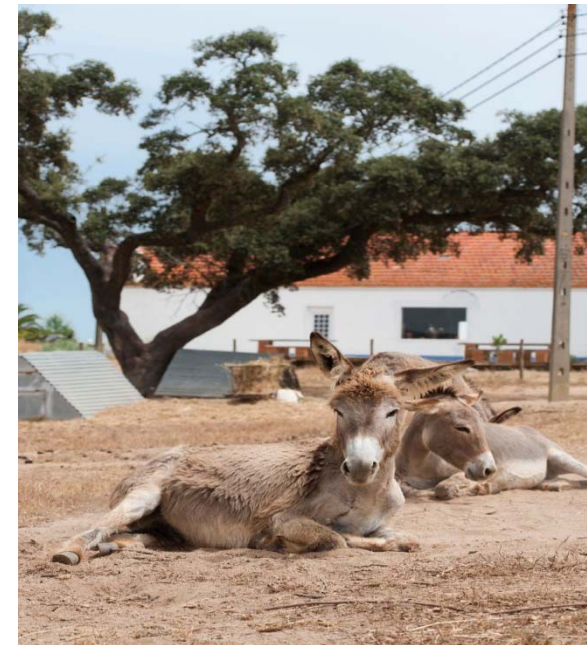
COMMON CAP OBJECTIVES – proposal post 2020



2014-2020: Animal Welfare one of 20 EAFRD measures



- *Legal basis Art. 34 of Reg. (EU) No 1305/2013 (Rural Development Regulation)*
- *Mostly programmed under Priority 3 "Food chain, animal welfare, risk management"*
- *Farmers are supported for the additional costs / income foregone for providing animal welfare that goes beyond legal requirements*
- *Targeted animals are bovines, pigs, poultry, sheep, goats, equines and rabbits*
- *Max premia 500 €/ LU (Annex II of Reg. (EU) No 1305/2013)*



State of Play of implementation



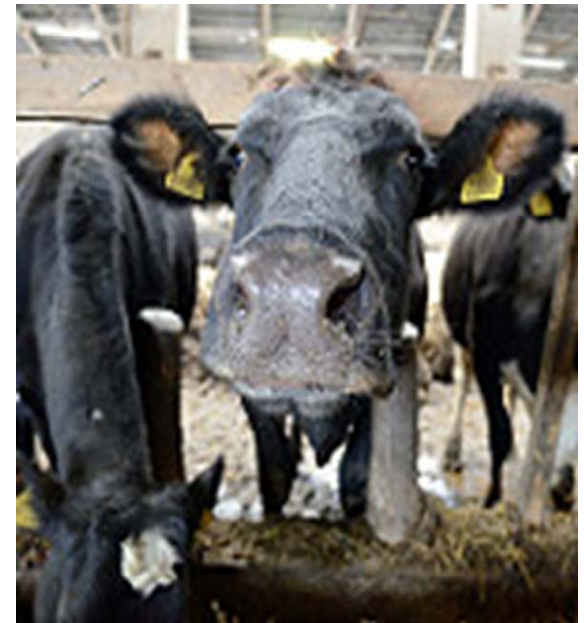
- *Animal Welfare (M 14) is currently programmed in 34 RDPs (28 MS)*
- *1.57 % of total public expenditure in Rural Development*
- *Also other rural development measures can be used to improve animal welfare e.g. investments in better stables or other animal facilities, training or advisory services.*





Areas of upgraded standards of production methods

1. Water, feed and animal care in accordance with the natural needs of animal husbandry;
2. housing conditions, such as increased space allowances, flooring surfaces, enrichment materials, natural light;
3. outdoor access;
4. practices which avoid mutilation and/or castration of animals, or, when necessary, provide for the use of anaesthetics, analgesia and anti-inflammatory medication or immunocastration.



Main challenges for the current AW Measure

- *Raise awareness among farmers and Member States of the importance of this measure and possible economic benefits*
- *Differences of baseline requirements*
- *Make a clear separation between baseline requirements and paid commitments*
- *Develop mechanisms that make control of compliance more efficient*



Considerations for policy development



- *Promote package approaches to maximise synergies between different Animal Welfare commitments.*
- *Integrate Advisory Services in the measure to improve compliance (ex Slovenia)*
- *Integrate Animal Welfare in a Rural Development scheme where it is combined with other measures to make best use of synergies (ex Scotland: " Smart and Competitive Supply Chains")*

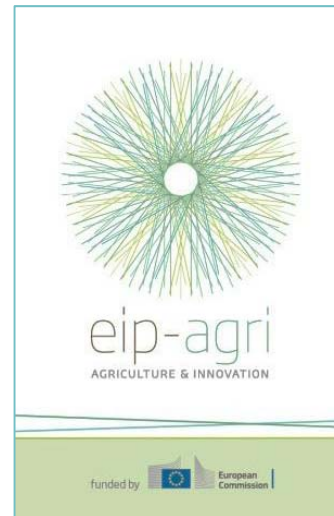
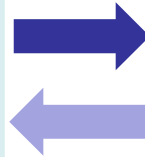
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https://enrd.ec.europa.eu/projects-practice_en



Making the links

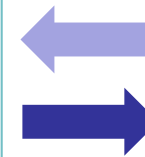
Rural Development Policy

- Innovation-related rural development measures
- Setting up operational groups on innovation projects
- Project funding for activities of operational groups
- Supporting innovation support services



Horizon 2020

- Research projects (calls)
- Interactive innovation formats (multi-actor projects and thematic networks)

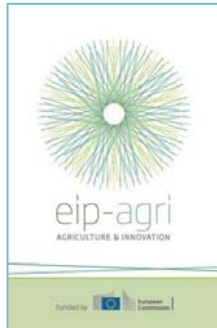




EIP-AGRI Service Point and its website

Information on-line, interactive functions, Q&As

The screenshot shows the EIP-AGRI website interface. At the top, there is a navigation bar with links for 'Legal notice', 'Cookies', 'Contact on Europe', 'Search on Europe', 'My account', and 'English (en)'. Below this is a main banner with the text 'SHARING KNOWLEDGE - CONNECTING PEOPLE - TACKLING CHALLENGES'. The main content area features several articles, including 'Inspiration to diminish yield gaps in Organic Farming' and 'Best Practice: Combining research and practice to bring change in French wine production'. A navigation menu is visible, with 'Meeting Point' selected. A search dropdown menu is open, listing options: 'Search Funding Opportunities', 'Search Interesting Projects', 'Search needs for research from practice', and 'Search Project Ideas'. A green arrow points to the 'Meeting Point' menu item with the text 'Possibility to register on the website and advertise projects'. To the right, a green box contains the text 'THE ONE-STOP-SHOP FOR AGRICULTURAL INNOVATION IN EUROPE' followed by five key features: 'SHARE WITH US information about you, your projects and projects ideas, research needs, etc.', 'SEARCH AND FIND funding opportunities, partners, interesting projects... on EIP-AGRI Meeting Point', 'FOCUS ON practical innovative solutions to problems and opportunities provided in the EIP-AGRI Focus Group chapter', 'DEEPEN YOUR KNOWLEDGE by different EIP-AGRI related publications in our library', and 'STAY UP TO DATE on innovation related agricultural topics and read about the latest news'. At the bottom right, there is a section for 'Latest events' with a brief description of EIP-AGRI events.



EIP-AGRI – some examples

OP - Spain: TRIABE: estrategias de mejora del transporte de terneros lactantes para optimizar el bienestar, la salud y la productividad
(improvement strategies for the transport of suckling calves to optimise their health, well-being and productivity) (2017-2019)

- **OP - Germany: Stärkung der handwerklichen Fleischverarbeitung durch Innovationen in den Schlachtverfahren für Rinder und kleine Wiederkäuer** (Strengthening artisanal meat processing by innovative slaughter techniques and procedures for cattle and small ruminants) (2017-2019)
- **Research Project –UK: Hennovation: Practice-led innovation supported by science and market-driven actors in the laying hen and other livestock sectors**

More on <https://ec.europa.eu/eip/agriculture/en/about>



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for your attention!**

Future of CAP

https://ec.europa.eu/info/food-farming-fisheries/key-policies/common-agricultural-policy/future-cap_en

