



Preparatory Actions

“EU plant and animal genetic resources in agriculture”



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The Preparatory Action in a glance

*Evaluations of projects funded under programmes Reg. 1476/94 and Reg. 870/2004 suggest that there is **need for further actions which enhance the conservation and sustainable use of genetic diversity**, contribute to quality products and local food chains; and which support cooperation and knowledge exchange between researchers, farmers, breeders and networks of engaged citizens and NGOs, involving the end-users and raising consumer awareness in this field.*

The European Parliament tabled a preparatory action:

- on plant & animal GR (+ forests & microbial GR)*
- covering 7 themes*
- and committed 1,5 Mio EUR in its budget for 2013*



The seven themes

- 1. Improvement of the **communication between Member States** concerning best practice and the harmonisation of efforts in the conservation and sustainable use of genetic resources*
- 2. Enhancing **networking among key stakeholders** and end-users in view of exploring marketing (and other cooperation) opportunities, such as provided by quality schemes and short supply chains*
- 3. Improvement of the **exchange of knowledge and research** on genetic diversity in agricultural systems*



The seven themes (2)

4. Adaptation of **breeding methods** and legislation to the need of conservation and sustainable use of genetic diversity

5. Contribution to the successful **implementation of rural development measures** concerning genetic diversity in agriculture

6. Explore bottlenecks and enabling conditions for the **sustainable use** of genetic resources in agriculture

7. Reduction of the unnecessary **administrative burden** so as to provide better access to actions



Preparatory Action as a project:

Literature review

Questionnaires and interviews

Case Studies: activities, interaction, challenges, bottlenecks, motivation, lessons learned, future perspectives

Workshops 2015 -2016: specific, concrete issues > concrete answers, approaches and solutions applicable.

> 9 June 2016 Validation and Dissemination Conference for 450 participants

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Thanks for your attention!

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