



LAST ACTIVITIES IN PROJECT

STAKEHOLDER MEETING IN LA RIOJA



In the third semester, from **June to November 2019**, three meetings with stakeholders were organized **in the La Rioja Region**: a bilateral meeting with stakeholders between the government of La Rioja and the Institute of Vine and Wine Sciences (25/06/2019), the Technological Station (5/11/2019), which was attended by a representative of the Spanish Ministry of Finance and the Technology Station was recognized as good practice and 3rd meeting about using agri-food technology (21/11/2019). During these meetings activities were discussed that will be developed in the action plan.

STAKEHOLDER MEETING IN VILNUS – LITHUANIA



Stakeholder meeting took place in the headquarters of the **NMA in Vilnius on 3 July 2019**. Discussions among the groups formed of representatives of public and private sectors, universities and other scientific institutions as well as NGOs took place in the course of the meeting, covering the R&I experience in Lithuania and further possibilities to enhance the cooperation between the public and private institutions representing the agri-food sector. The provisions of the draft Action Plan for Lithuania were discussed.

STUDY VISIT IN MAZOVIA



The next **study visit** took place in **Mazovia** on **16-18 September 2019**. The visit was hosted by the Marshal's Office of the Mazowieckie Voivodeship and Mazovia Development Agency. On the first day of the visit, partners and stakeholders took part in the 10th Mazovia Development Forum, which is the most important conference event whose main idea is to promote innovative projects and solutions through which support from European funds is implemented and used in Mazovia.

The second day began with field visits in three companies from the agri-food sector: Warsaw Wholesale Agricultural and Food Market - the Company's business is management and wholesale market administration in the following sectors: fruit and vegetables, flowers, food - B2B; Vigo System S.A - infrared sensors for agriculture; Bakoma production plant - producer of dairy products. The companies presented areas of their activity and also showed us around their plants. On the third day of the visit to the headquarters of the Marshal of the Mazowieckie Voivodeship a meeting summarizing the study visit was held, during which project partners carried out an analysis of and giving your point of view on the current situation of innovation in the agri-food sector in Mazovia.

STAKEHOLDER MEETING – PORTUGAL



Agrocluster, as part of the Agrirenaissance project, had its **3rd stakeholder meeting** on **18 November, 2019**. The following documents were presented: presentation of the status of the AgriRenaissance project - all project activities have been presented and discussed, including activities already carried out and those to be carried out, presentation of a study visit to Mazovia

- discussed the potential of this visit and good practices that can be reproduced in Portugal, preparation of a study visit to Portugal - preparations for the last study visit of the project began.

STAKEHOLDER MEETING – CALABRIA REGION



In the third semester on **20 November and 29 November 2019**, the **Calabria Region** organized **two meetings with stakeholders**. It has been presented the action plan of Agrirenaissance project, aimed at agriculture, actions at strengthening research and innovation in agriculture through the identification and exchange of good practices. It has been direct confrontation with local stakeholders, represented by farmers and agro-industrial companies dedicated to the transformation and marketing of products, with the aim of verifying the main needs and possible shortcomings of some priority sectors of Calabrian agriculture



STAKEHOLDER MEETING IN MAZOVIA



The meeting with stakeholders took place in the **Marshal's Office of the Mazowieckie Voivodeship in Warsaw on 25 November 2019**. During the meeting, two activities related to the project action plan were presented:

- creation of strong clusters that will be a partner of regional authorities in implementing innovation policy. Clusters with the potential of transformation of the agri-food industry,
- implementation of the acceleration program dedicated to the agri-food sector, which will combine the potential of aspiring entrepreneurs with the infrastructure and experience of large

enterprises in the agri-food sector. All stakeholders agreed that the action plans presented were interesting and expressed willingness to cooperate.

STUDY VISIT – PORTUGAL



The 5th study visit took place in **Torres Novas, Portugal on 10-12 March 2020**. The visit was organized by the Agroindustrial Cluster - Agrocluster.

On the first day was a meeting at the headquarters of the organizer, which is an association of non-profit companies and entities from the agro-industrial sector. The host representative presented the presentation of the Instituto Nacional de Investigação Agrária e Veterinária (INIAV), which is a state laboratory of agricultural competence. Then the meeting was devoted to few presentations:

- the results of the third semester (main indicators, budget implementation),
- review of communication activities.

The next presentations concerned of action plans that each region involved in the project prepared and presented. Finally, the project leader discussed about "Next steps" (planned tasks, planned activities for the 4th semester, organization of the second phase of the project, mid-term review, etc.).



On the second day of the visit, project partners and stakeholders were invited to

visit Agromais, the largest national farmers organization in the sector of selling cereals and other agricultural products (potatoes, broccoli, zucchini, tomatoes, peppers, peas, beans, onions and barley for the brewing industry). Agromais representative talked about the company's operations and showed around the plant and showed the place and machines for storing and processing potatoes. Due to the high risk of Coronavirus, all meetings scheduled for the third day of the visit were canceled.

GOOD PRACTICES

In the first phase of the project, during the experience exchange process, partners identified a total of 23 good practices in their regions.

LA RIOJA REGION – SPAIN

HEALTHY RIOJA STRATEGY: PROMOTION OF HEALTHY FOOD AND COOPERATIVE R+I IN LA RIOJA REGION

Healthy Rioja project involves the implementation of healthy food strategy as a tool to boost the food industry through bioeconomy, health and technology 4.0. The Strategy HEALTHY RIOJA is coordinated by Ctic Cita with the support of La Rioja Government through its innovation department and it is aligned with the Strategic Plans of La Rioja Government.

more → <https://www.interregeurope.eu/policylearning/good-practices/item/2302/healthy-rioja-strategy-promotion-of-healthy-food-and-cooperative-r-i-in-la-rioja-region/>

CLUSTER FOOD+i SETTINGS UP OF A SUPRA REGIONAL AGROFOOD CLUSTERS

Cluster Food+i (private entity), and brings together more than 90 companies, research centers and other entities related to innovation in the agri-food sector. The Ebro Valley is one of Spain's most important socio-economic areas formed by La Rioja, Basque Country, Aragon, Navarre and Catalonia.

more → <https://www.interregeurope.eu/policylearning/good-practices/item/2430/cluster-food-i-setting-up-of-a-supra-regional-agrofood-cluster/>

INVESTMENTS FOR UPGRADING AND EQUIPMENT IN THE HARO OENOLOGICAL RESEARCH STATION LABORATORIES

Investments for upgrading and equipment in the Haro Oenological Research Station laboratories through the ERDF Operational Programme of La Rioja.

more → <https://www.interregeurope.eu/policylearning/good-practices/item/2917/investments-for-upgrading-and-equipment-in-the-haro-oenological-research-station-laboratories/>

STRATEGIC INVESTMENT FOR IMPROVING THE R&D CAPABILITY OF THE INDUSTRY IN LA RIOJA

La Rioja Government, aware of the great significance of meat, mushroom and horticulture sectors, decided to invest in the main technological agri-food centers.

more → <https://www.interregeurope.eu/policylearning/good-practices/item/2929/strategic-investment-for-improving-the-r-d-capability-of-the-agri-food-industry-in-la-rioja/>

FUNDING PROGRAM FOR PRE-DOCTORAL STUDENTS IN COMPANIES AND TECHNOLOGY & RESEARCH CENTRES IN LA RIOJA

This funding program promotes pre-doctoral research activities developed within a real project in Research Centres or in companies in La Rioja by the students.

more → <https://www.interregeurope.eu/policylearning/good-practices/item/2962/funding-program-for-pre-doctoral-students-in-companies-and-technology-research-centres-in-la-rioja/>

INSTITUTE OF GRAPEVINE AND WINE SCIENCES (ICVVV)

ICVV is a Public Research Centre integrated in the European research environment and aims to become a reference center for grapevine and wine research.

Institute of Grapevine and Wine Sciences is a Research Center devoted to scientific investigation on Viticulture and Oenology.

more → <https://www.interregeurope.eu/policylearning/good-practices/item/2963/institute-of-grapevine-and-wine-sciences-icvv/>

LITHUANIA

NATIONAL PLATFORM IN LITHUANIA „VILLAGE TO YOUR HOME”

National platform “Village to your home” is a two-sided network of consumers and farmers established by the initiative of consumers in 2013.

more → <https://www.interregeurope.eu/policylearning/good-practices/item/2670/national-platform-in-lithuania-village-to-your-home/>

NETWORK „OPEN R&D LITHUANIA”

Open R&D Lithuania represents the largest network of excellence of innovation infrastructures, services and competencies within the Baltic States. “Open R&D Lithuania” is connect 12 Lithuanian universities, 13 public research institutes as well as 7 science and technology parks.

more → <https://www.interregeurope.eu/policylearning/good-practices/item/2671/network-open-r-d-lithuania/>

SCIENCE AND BUSINESS COOPERATION FOR INNOVATIONS FROM FRUITS AND PLANTS

Successful JSC “Mèlynè” collaboration with scientists from Institute of Horticulture, leading to the creation of innovative plant and fruit based products.

more → <https://www.interregeurope.eu/policylearning/good-practices/item/2672/science-and-business-cooperation-for-innovations-from-fruits-and-plants/>

COOPERATION FOR AGRO-INFORMATION SERVICE: NATIONAL PAYING AGENCY OF LITHUANIA AND “GEOMATRIX”

Cooperation for agri-information service aiming to use innovative tools for assessment of agricultural support measures based on satellite imagery

more → <https://www.interregeurope.eu/policylearning/good-practices/item/2673/cooperation-for-agro-information-service-national-paying-agency-of-lithuania-and-geomatrix/>

INNOVATIVE ELECTRONIC NOSE TO DETERMINE THE QUALITY, FRESHNESS AND SAFETY OF MEAT AND FISH

Creation of innovative electronic nose - Food Sniffer – a handheld mobile device that determines the quality, freshness and safety of meat, poultry, and fish.

more → <https://www.interregeurope.eu/policylearning/good-practices/item/2674/innovative-electronic-nose-to-determine-the-quality-freshness-and-safety-of-meat-and-fish/>

CENTRO REGION - PORTUGAL

SCOoPE - SAVING COOPERATIVE ENERGY

Reduce energy consumption, implementing cost-effective energy solutions in 81 businesses in the sectors: crop drying, meat/poultry, dairy, fruit and vegetables

more → <https://www.interregeurope.eu/policylearning/good-practices/item/2747/scoope-saving-cooperative-energy/>

PORTUGUESE AGROFOOD CLUSTER

The Portuguese Agrofood Cluster is a consortium of 4 players of the agrofood sector in Portugal: Portugal Foods, Agrocluster, Inovcluster and Portugal Fresh

more → <https://www.interregeurope.eu/policylearning/good-practices/item/2768/portuguese-agrofood-cluster/>

CALABRIA REGION – ITALY

ALTERNATIVE USE OF EXTRA VIRGIN OLIVE OIL (EVO) SPREADABLE OIL

The practice of alternative usage of olive oil takes origin from the need of valorisation EVO production in a different way from the traditional ones, both in case of surplus and in case of diversification.

more → <https://www.interregeurope.eu/policylearning/good-practices/item/3477/alternative-use-of-extra-virgin-olive-oil-evo-spreadable-oil/>

SPIN-OFFS

Spin-off system represents a connection point between research and productive world, the quickest way to transfer results from research laboratories to market

more → <https://www.interregeurope.eu/policylearning/good-practices/item/3479/spin-offs/>

MAZOVIA REGION – POLAND

FOOD AND NUTRITION CENTRE – MODERNISATION OF THE WARSAW UNIVERSITY OF LIFE SCIENCES

Development of an innovative Centre for Food and Nutrition for conducting research on safe food production

more → <https://www.interregeurope.eu/policylearning/good-practices/item/3191/food-and-nutrition-centre-modernisation-of-the-warsaw-university-of-life-sciences/>

THE USE OF COUNTERCURRENT MASS EXCHANGE AND MEMBRANE FILTRATION TECHNIQUES TO OBTAIN PREPARATIONS OF

Development of a method of colouring food with fruit marc (waste from juice production)

more → <https://www.interregeurope.eu/policylearning/good-practices/item/3192/the-use-of-countercurrent-mass-exchange-and-membrane-filtration-techniques-to-obtain-preparations-of/>

THE INTELLIGENT MECHANISM FOR DESTROYING WEEDS IN PLANT CROPS

Development of a three dimensional system for detection an innovative mechanism for destroying weeds, in the cooperation with Warsaw University of Technology.

more → <https://www.interregeurope.eu/policylearning/good-practices/item/3193/the-intelligent-mechanism-for-destroying-weeds-in-plant-crops/>

DEVELOPMENT OF A NEW PRODUCT-AN INNOVATIVE BIOSTIMULATOR KMS03 AGRO FONDS CONSULTING AGATA KOWALCZYK

Innovative solutions for agriculture. The aim of the project is to conduct research on expanding knowledge, obtaining and documenting information in order to develop an innovative product for preventive protection of plants in agriculture

more → <https://www.interregeurope.eu/policylearning/good-practices/item/3194/development-of-a-new-product-an-innovative-biostimulator-kms03-agro-fonds-consulting-agata-kowalczyk/>

SMART BERRIES TEST

Test the health properties of the Fruit. Fast, easy and mobile test to screen polyphenol content in fruits, for juice manufacturers and fruit farmers.

more → <https://www.interregeurope.eu/policylearning/good-practices/item/3195/smartberries-test/>

BIO ACTIVE HEALTHY FOOD

Production of innovative food products based on seed activation

more → <https://www.interregeurope.eu/policylearning/good-practices/item/3196/bio-active-healthy-food/>

THE PRODUCTION OF FRESH PASTA SUPPORTING HEALTHY EATING

Innovative technology for the production of fresh pasta supporting healthy eating. Perino is a company that cooperation with Warsaw University of Life Sciences-SGGW in Warsaw has developed an innovative production technology of fresh healthy pasta, as part of the project. The company specializes in the production of pasta, noodles, couscous and similar flour products .

more → <https://www.interregeurope.eu/policylearning/good-practices/item/3197/the-production-of-fresh-pasta-supporting-healthy-eating/>

NEXT STEPS – WORK PLAN IN PHASE 2 - 1/06/2020 – 31/05/2022

Due to the situation related to COVID-19, several planned activities (5 regional meetings with stakeholders, 5 regional dissemination events and preparation and printing of the Method Guide publication) in the 4th semester (which ends on 31.05.2020) have been transferred to the 2 phase.

Phase 2 is dedicated to monitoring the implementation of the action plan. Each partner will be responsible for ensuring the implementation and monitoring of their action plan.

Each region should organize at least one stakeholder meeting per year for monitoring the implementation of the actions. All partners must organize one project meeting at the end of each year to exchange on the way the implementation is progressing.

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