



# Subgroup on Innovation & Knowledge Exchange (SolKE) 5<sup>th</sup> meeting

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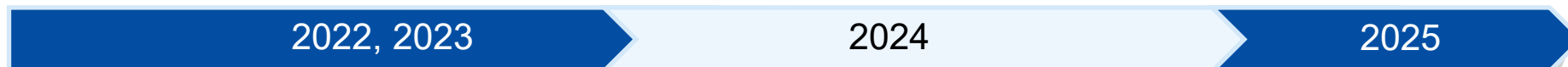
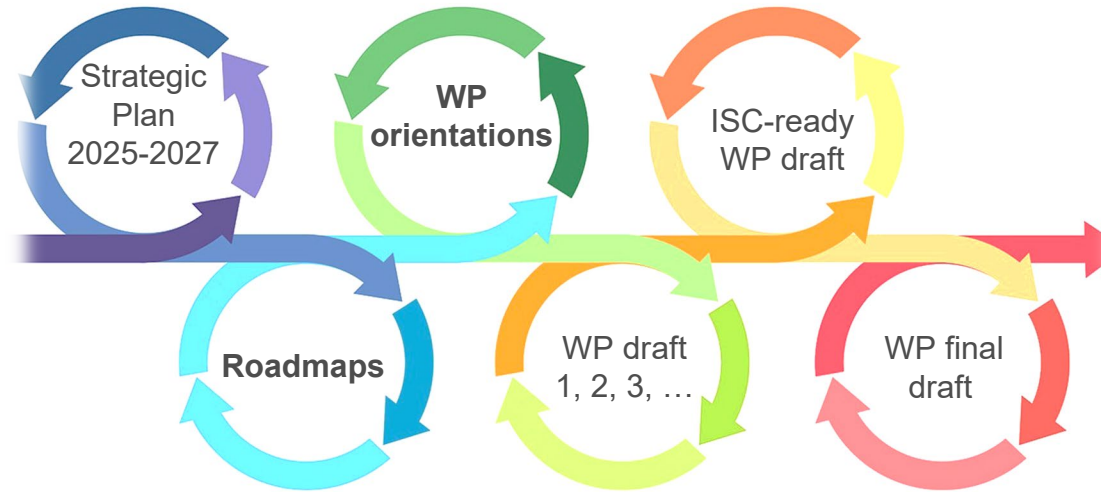
# New developments in Horizon Europe

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# Horizon Europe Cluster 6

Work Programme 24 calls closed on February 28.







# Horizon support for advice, training & knowledge exchange

**Thematic networks** collecting existing knowledge and best practices on a given challenge/opportunity to make it available in easily understandable formats for end users such as farmers, foresters, advisors, consumers and others.

**45** (34 H2020 + 11 HE) bottom up  
up  
(+ 2 more in the pipeline)

**6** with focus on EIP-AGRI operational groups  
(+ 2 more in the pipeline)



WellFarmers

SPARC

TransformDairyNet

RENOVATE



BBIONETS  
SOIL-X-CHANGE



**2** in the pipeline  
with predefined theme

## ORGANIC ACTION PLAN



# Horizon support for advice, training & knowledge exchange

**Advisory networks** connecting advisors across all EU Member States in an EU network with a view to share experiences on how to best tackle challenges/seize opportunities on farm, in forests and rural villages.



NEW

AdvisoryNetPEST



NEW

STRATUS

...and 2 more in the pipeline!



NEW

OrganicAdviceNetwork

NBSOIL  
Nature-based Solutions  
for Soil Management



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## EU-FARMBOOK PLATFORM PRE-LAUNCH

*Exclusive Online Event*

Let's grow  
together

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## Feed your results into the **EU-FarmBook** platform!

- › **EU-FarmBook**, is a Horizon Europe project that aims to build an **online platform**, gathering and sharing agriculture and forestry knowledge.
- › Can all the tangible outputs of EU-funded research and innovation projects be brought together and organized in one user-friendly platform to help get practical knowledge into the hands of the farmers, foresters, and advisors across Europe who need it most?
- › Yes! But the project **needs your contributions** to make it possible!

# Horizon Europe Cluster 6 Co-Funded Research Partnerships: launched



## Agroecology living labs and research infrastructures

150€ (EU)+150€ (partners)

70 partners/26 countries/regions

Kick off Jan 2024 - Up to 10 years



## Animals and health

180€ (EU)+180€ (partners)

90 partners/24 countries

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# Horizon Europe Mission Soil – State of implementation



**Budget (2021-2023) : EUR 320 million**

- **WP 2021-2022:** 28 ongoing projects (≈360 participants)
- **WP 2023:** 19 new projects, selected out of 123 proposals submitted, to start in 2023 (including first 20-25 living labs)
- **WP 2024:** new call for proposals to open soon > **EU Missions info days: 25-26 April 2024**







# Outcome of the European Mission Soil Week 2023

21 - 23 November 2023 Madrid, Spain

Almost **300 in-person participants** and more than **600 online**, around of 1.6 million people reached on social media

## Take away messages:

- › The Mission Soil has mobilised and brought together the EU soil community
- › Soil is not a niche, but it's everywhere and to tackle soil health challenges we need to change our relationship with it
- › The Mission Soil Living Labs were recognized as an essential component of the effective framework for soil protection and restoration in the EU, for the benefit of people, food, nature and climate.
- › The importance of soils for food security and for mitigating climate change is widely acknowledged; synergies and trade-offs with other soil ecosystem services need attention
- › Communication between scientists and farm advisors should be multi-directional and participatory, based on context-specific information
- › The Mission supports investors and philanthropic organisations by defining clear soil health indicators and by measuring the impact of new management practices



More info: [European Mission Soil Week 2023 | Mission Soil Platform \(europa.eu\)](https://www.europa.eu/mission-soil)



# The Mission Soil Manifesto

launched in April 2023

## Objective

Non-legally binding document to formalize stakeholder and citizen participation in and support to Mission activities.

## Who can sign it?

**Individuals and organizations** (regional and local public authorities, private and public organisations, NGOs, philanthropic organisations, schools, universities, research institutes, associations).

## Why to sign it?

Become part of a **community**, gain visibility, access to Mission-led knowledge, involvement in Mission activities beyond Horizon Europe calls.

**2,650 signatories**

of which

**84% individuals**

**16% legal entities** (*local and regional authorities, associations and NGOs*)



**Sign it!**



<https://ec.europa.eu/eusurvey/runner/mission-soil-manifesto>



# Thank you!





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All results and presentations will be available on the event  
webpage:

[https://eu-cap-network.ec.europa.eu/events/subgroup-innovation-  
and-knowledge-exchange-soike-5th-meeting](https://eu-cap-network.ec.europa.eu/events/subgroup-innovation-and-knowledge-exchange-soike-5th-meeting)

