





### Bridging practice and research





#### **RESEARCH NEEDS**

**CONNECTING PEOPLE, SHARING KNOWLEDGE** AND TACKLING CHALLENGES

**IDEAS TO TEST** 

**UNIQUE EU KNOWLEDGE REPOSITORY OF CONTACTS AND PRACTICE ABSTRACTS**  LONG-TERM IMPACTS OF RESEARCH & INNOVATION **UNDER HORIZON EUROPE CLUSTER 6** 



#### **RESEARCH**

#### **Horizon Programmes**

- Multi-actor projects
- Thematic networks
- Advisory networks
- Thematic networks built on OGs

Involvement of OGs strongly recommended



#### **PRACTICE**

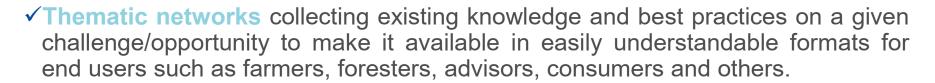
#### **CAP Strategic Plans**

- EIP Operational Groups
  - Preparation
  - Implementation
- Innovation support services
- Advisory services



#### Opportunities under Horizon Europe

- ✓ Multi-actor approach = practitioners (end-users) are put at the center of the R&I activities all over the whole course of the project.
- ✓ 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.



- ✓ Living labs group of real-life sites across the EU in which diverse actors experiment and test solutions for soil health and agroecology in a co-creative manner
- ✓ Lighthouses / demonstration farms individual sites, such as a single farm, for demonstrating, training and communicating about innovative best practices













# Multi-actor projects



"We do not only do R&I for practitioners, but also with practitioners."

- Commissioner Janusz Wojciechowski

Multi-actor approach = practitioners (end-users) are put at the center of the R&I activities all over the whole course of the project. In this way we can achieve much quicker and bigger impact in practice!

**Definition & requirements:** introduction to the Work Programmes, e.g., Horizon Europe Cluster 6 **WP23-24 p. 21-23**:

- √ 7 key requirements
- ✓ involvement of EIP-AGRI OGs is encouraged!

Eligibility and excellence criteria!





# Topics with multi-actor approach

Horizon Europe Cluster 6 Work Programme 23-24 amendment includes a topic with multi-actor approach:

- ✓ HORIZON-CL6-2024-CLIMATE-02-1
  New knowledge and innovations for climate-smart farming connecting research stations
- ✓ For more info: EU Funding & Tenders Portal | EU Funding & Tenders Portal (europa.eu)
- ✓ Deadline for application: 24 September

New Horizon Europe Cluster 6 Work Programme 2025 with additional topics requiring multi-actor approach will be published in Q1/Q2 2025.





#### Thematic networks

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 (+ 2 more in the pipeline)

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



























**2** in the pipeline with predefined theme

#### ORGANIC ACTION PLAN





### Advisory networks

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.





#### **OrganicAdviceNetwork**

**STRATUS** 

... and **2 more** in the pipeline!





**AdvisoryNetPEST** 











# Boosting place-based innovation & peer-to-peer learning: living labs & lighthouses



Living-labs

 group of real-life sites in which diverse actors experiment and test solutions for soil health and agroecology in a co-creative manner



Lighthouses (demo farms)

 individual sites, such as a single farm, for demonstrating, training and communicating about innovative best practices





# Living-labs are based on multi-actor approach





The main goal is to establish **100 living labs** and **lighthouses** to lead the transition towards healthy soils by 2030.

More info: What is the Mission Soil? | Mission Soil Platform (europa.eu)

The European partnership on accelerating farming systems transition: **agroecology living labs** and research infrastructures

More info: Agroecology: Call1 PP (ptj.de)





# Living-labs are based on multi-actor approach

New call for the Mission Soil Work Programme 2024 now open!

✓ 9 topics, five of which require multi-actor approach:

HORIZON-MISS-2024-SOIL-01-01: Co-creating solutions for soil health in Living Labs

HORIZON-MISS-2024-SOIL-01-02: Living Labs in urban areas for healthy soils

HORIZON-MISS-2024-SOIL-01-03: Towards a dynamic monitoring system to assess status and spatiotemporal changes of soil erosion at European scale

HORIZON-MISS-2024-SOIL-01-04: Systems to quantify nitrogen fluxes and uncertainties in European landscapes

HORIZON-MISS-2024-SOIL-01-05: Soil health, pollinators and key ecosystem functions

HORIZON-MISS-2024-SOIL-01-06: Harnessing the multifunctional potential of soil biodiversity for healthy cropping systems

HORIZON-MISS-2024-SOIL-01-07: Development of high spatial-resolution monitoring approaches and geographically-explicit registry for carbon farming

HORIZON-MISS-2024-SOIL-01-08: Managing forest peatsoils

HORIZON-MISS-2024-SOIL-01-09: Assessment of Soil Health in Africa

✓ Deadline for application: 8 October





# How to find partners to participate in Horizon?

- > Partner search on EU Funding & Tenders Portal
- Cluster 6 / Soil Mission Info Days organised by REA (e.g., Events | The research and innovation community platform (europa.eu)
- Brokerage events organised by Care4Bio & EU CAP Network | EIP-AGRI
- Matchmaking platform developed by Care4Bio following the brokerage event (e.g., Looking for a consortium? CARE4BIO Matchmaking platform is online! | Cluster 6 | Horizon Europe NCP Portal)
- > Other networking activities organised by EU CAP Network | EIP-AGRI: cross-visits, focus groups, workshops, seminars, conferences, etc.





# EU CAP Network cross-visit 'Climate adaptation on the ground – innovative solutions to build farm resilience'

26-27 June 2024 | Thessaloniki, Greece

All information on the workshop is available on the event webpage:

https://eu-cap-network.ec.europa.eu/events/eu-cap-network-cross-visit-climate-adaptation-ground

