

EU CAP Network seminar: 'On-farm demonstrations for peer-to-peer learning & innovation'

OUTLINE AGENDA

12 February 2025

17 – 18 June 2025

Mestre, Venice, Italy

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Objectives of the seminar

The **main objectives** of the seminar are to promote the use of on-farm demonstrations as an essential tool for peer-to-peer learning, to improve the setup and visibility of demonstration farms, and foster their networks and connections to other relevant initiatives.

The specific objectives of the seminar are:

- Highlight best practices in the organisation of on-farm demonstrations, including facilitation for peer-to-peer learning
- Discuss the structural and practical challenges and opportunities for setting up, financing, operating and managing of demonstration farms and their networks and embedding them in the AKIS structures.
- Explore the role of on-farm demonstrations during, and especially in the followup of, EIP-AGRI Operational Group and Horizon projects in improving the uptake of new knowledge and innovation by farmers
- Assess what is missing and what can be improved to reach scale and harness the full potential of on-farm demonstrations and demonstration farms for the benefit of farmers





Outline agenda Update 12 February 2025

Timing	Tuesday 16 June 2025
	Day 0
19.00 – 22.00	Light dinner in Venice to welcome AKIS actors in Veneto, offered by the Veneto Region
Timing	Tuesday 17 June 2025 Day 1
8.00 – 9.00	Registration
9.00 – 18.00	Welcome and setting the scene Host: (Veneto Region) Representative from the European Commission/DG AGRI Setting the scene: on-farm demonstrations and demonstrations farms Session I. Sharing best practices in the organisation and set-up of on-farm demonstrations, including facilitation for peer-to-peer learning Inspiring examples and interactive discussions Field visits to demonstration farms in the Veneto Region: Pilot and demonstration farm 'VALLEVECCHIA' Agripolis Farm (University of Padova) Lunch and coffee will be offered to the participants during the day
19.00 – 22:00	Networking dinner
Timing	Wednesday 18 June 2025 Day 2
8.30 – 9.00	Registration
9:00 – 14:00	Session II. Demonstration farms and their networks





Focus: the structural and practical challenges and opportunities for setting-up, financing, managing and embedding demonstration farms in the AKIS structures

- Inspirational examples and interactive discussions
- Exploring what's missing and what can be improved to harness the full potential of demonstration farms for the benefit of farmers

Session III: On-farm demonstrations during and after EIP-AGRI Operational Groups and Horizon projects

Focus: making new knowledge and innovation easily available to farmers

Inspirational examples and interactive discussions

Evaluation and closing remarks

Lunch and coffee will be offered to participants throughout the day

14.00

End of the seminar



