



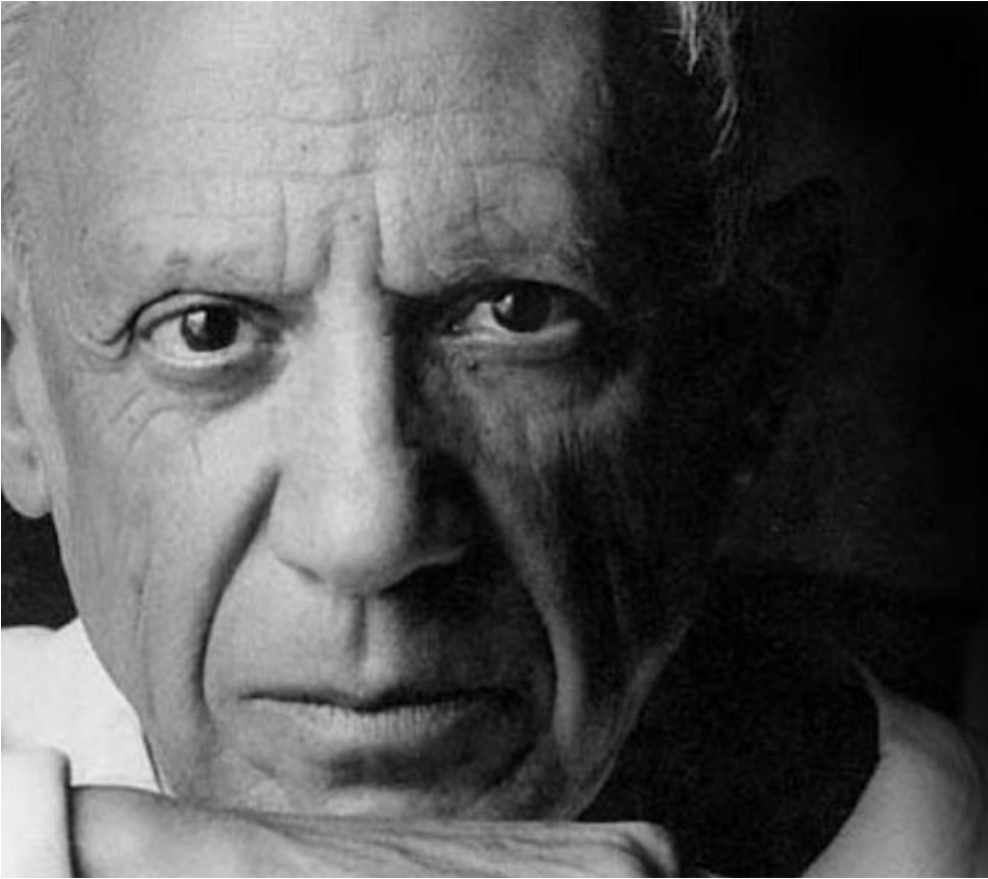
Agriculture in Horizon Europe

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*Our goals can only be
reached through the
vehicle of a plan. There
is no other route to
success.*

–Pablo Picasso

We have a plan!



Horizon 2020: Strategic approach to EU agricultural R&I



ensure food and nutrition security in the long term



address the environmental sustainability and resilience of competitive land-based primary production for food and non-food systems

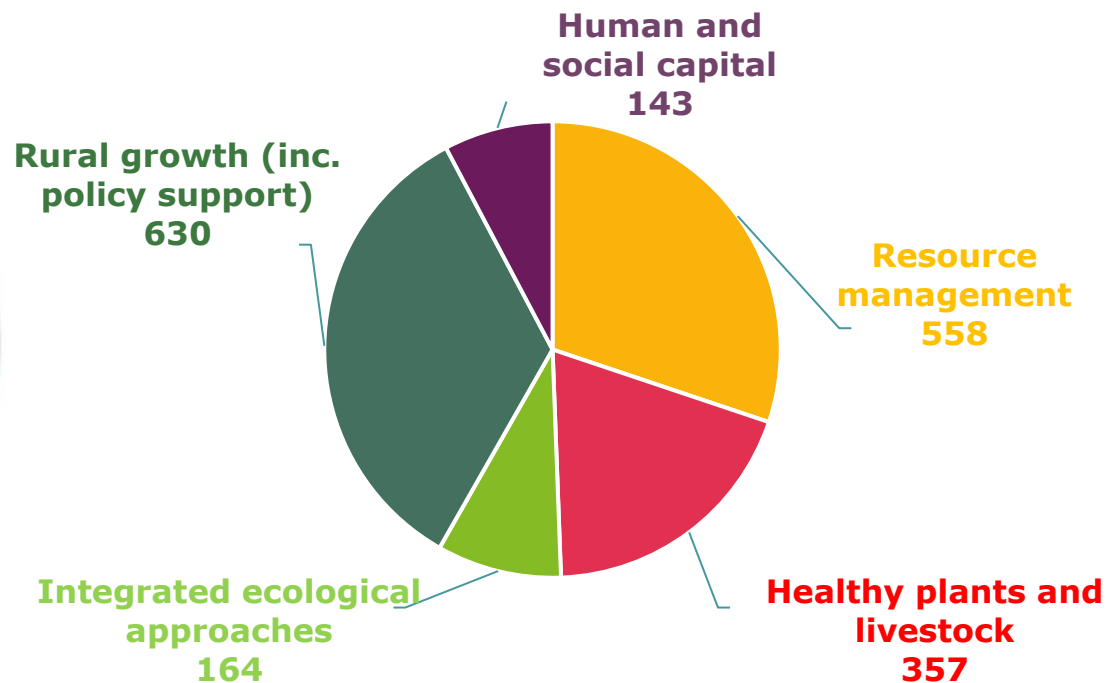
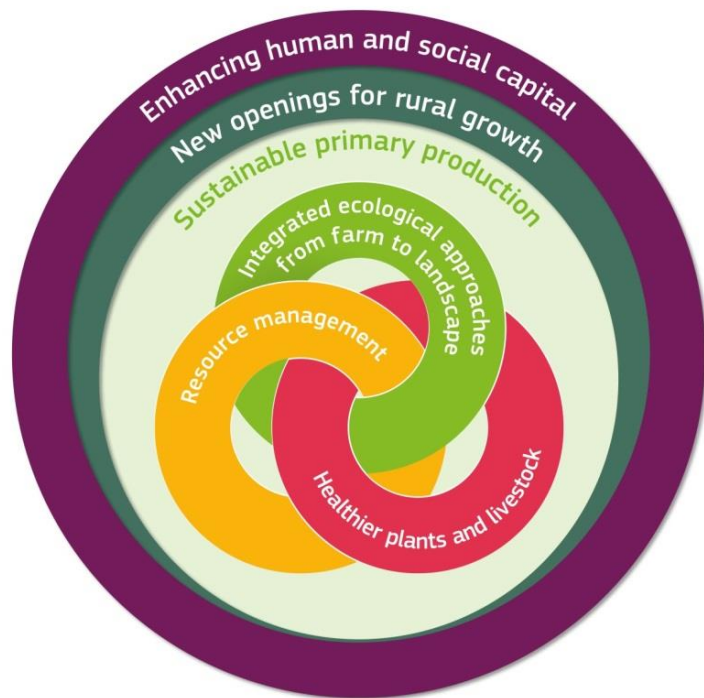


boost the sustainable growth of rural territories

Priorities



Distribution of budget over priorities (EUR million - 2014-2020)



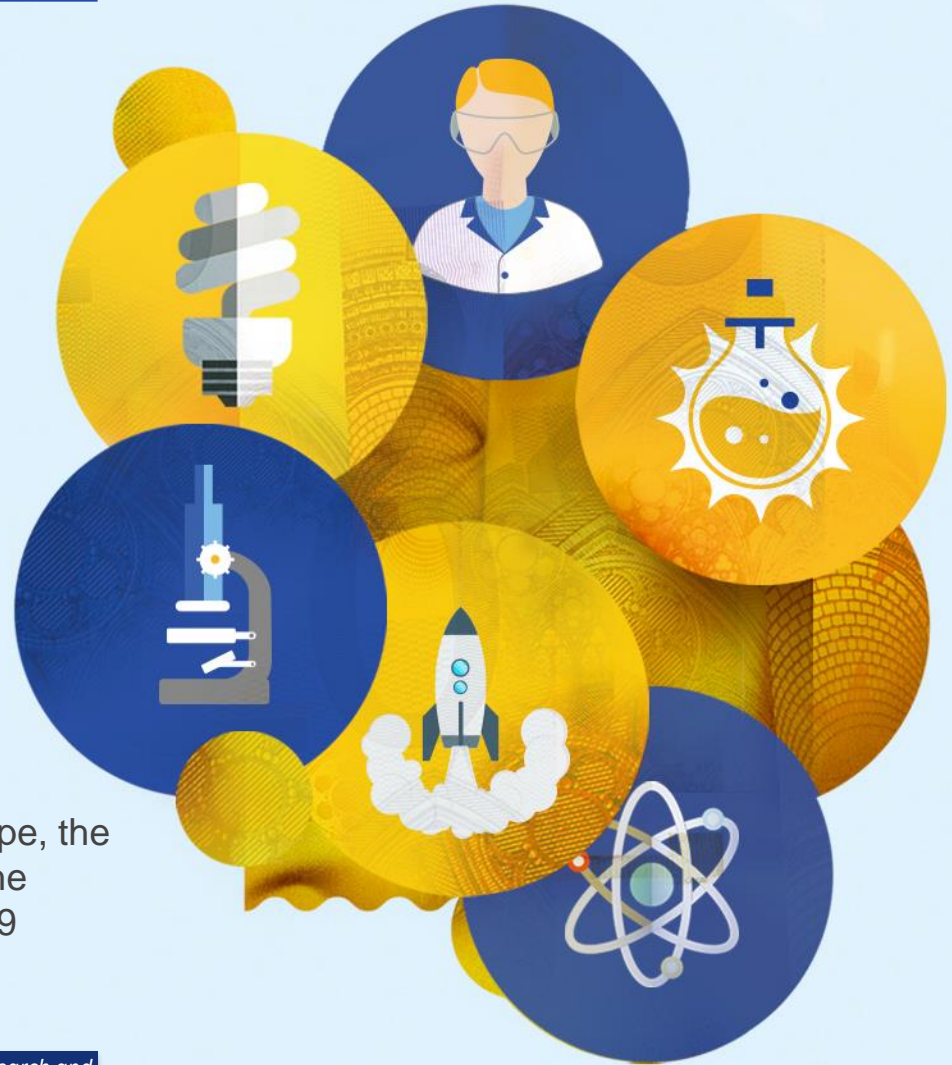
315 projects – 1,9 M€ under Horizon 2020

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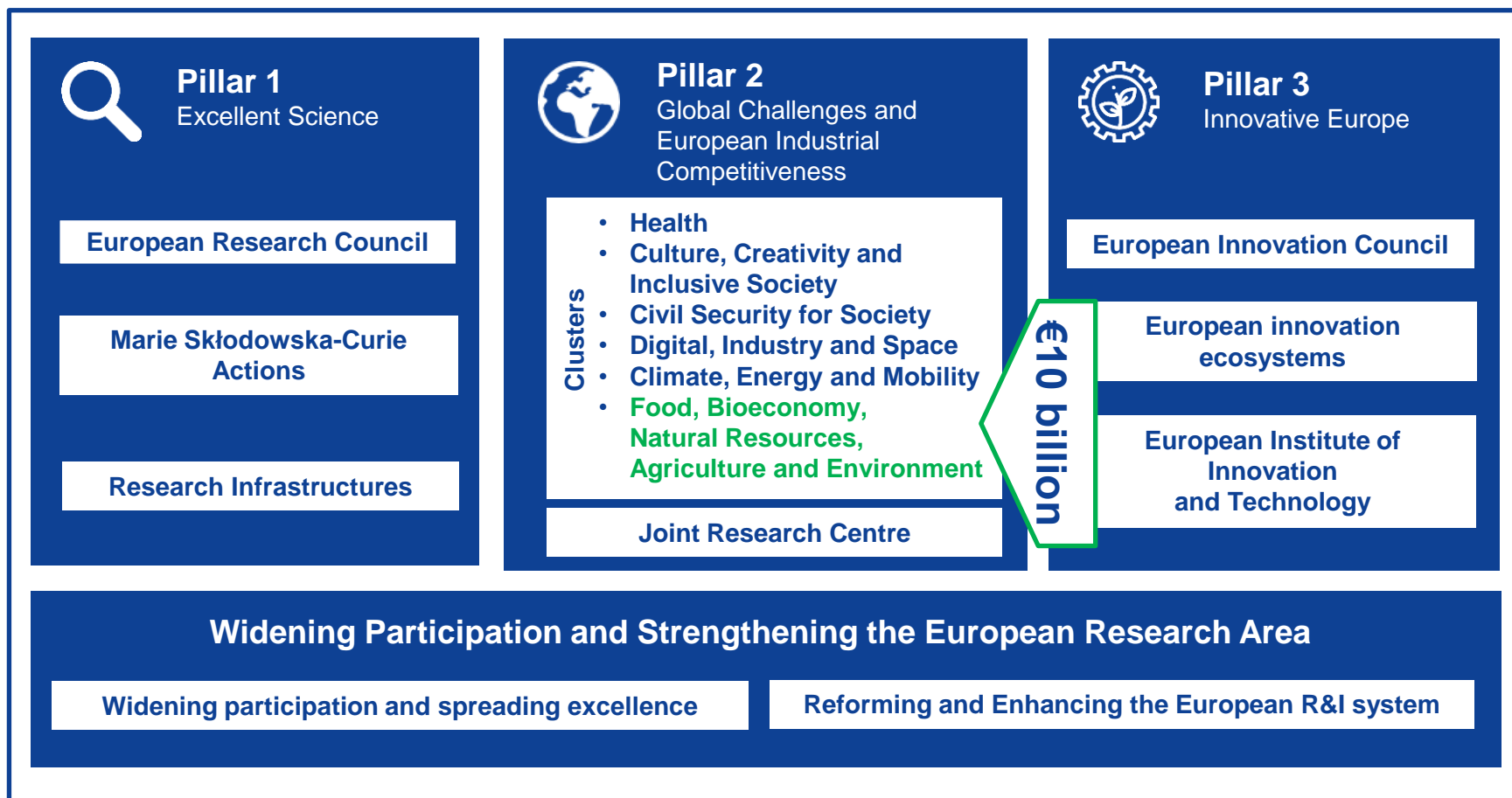
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INVESTMENT PROGRAMME (2021 – 2027)

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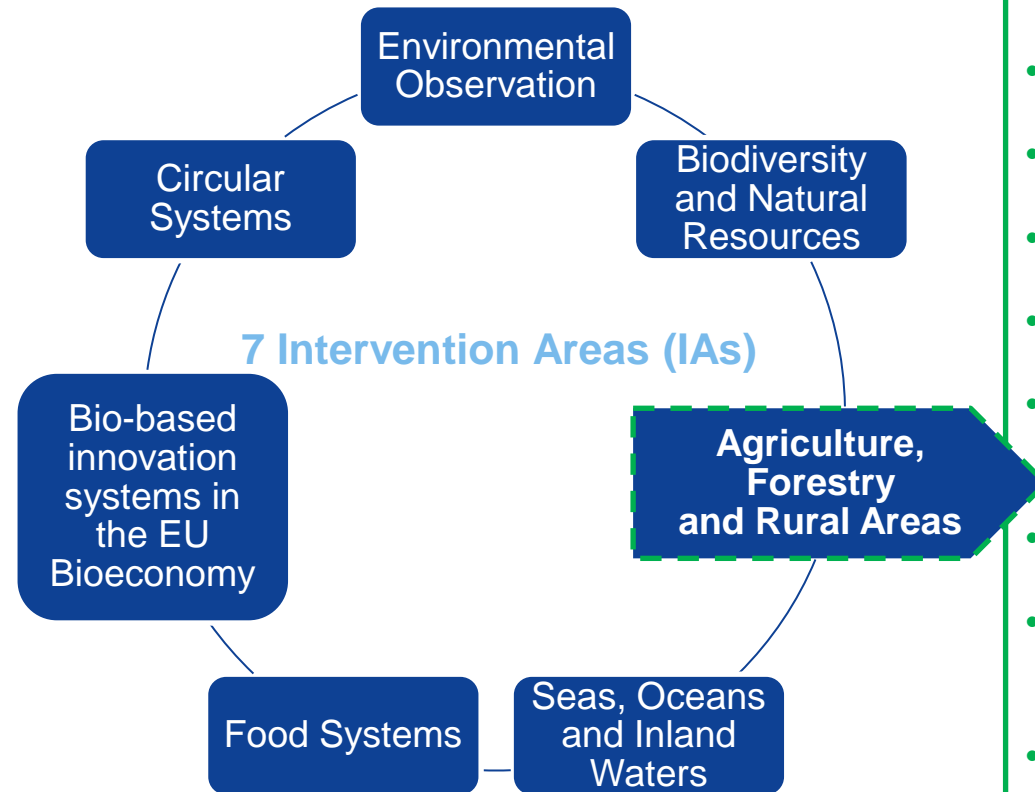
Based on the Commission Proposal for Horizon Europe, the common understanding between co-legislators and the Partial General Approach, both approved in April 2019



Horizon Europe: structure



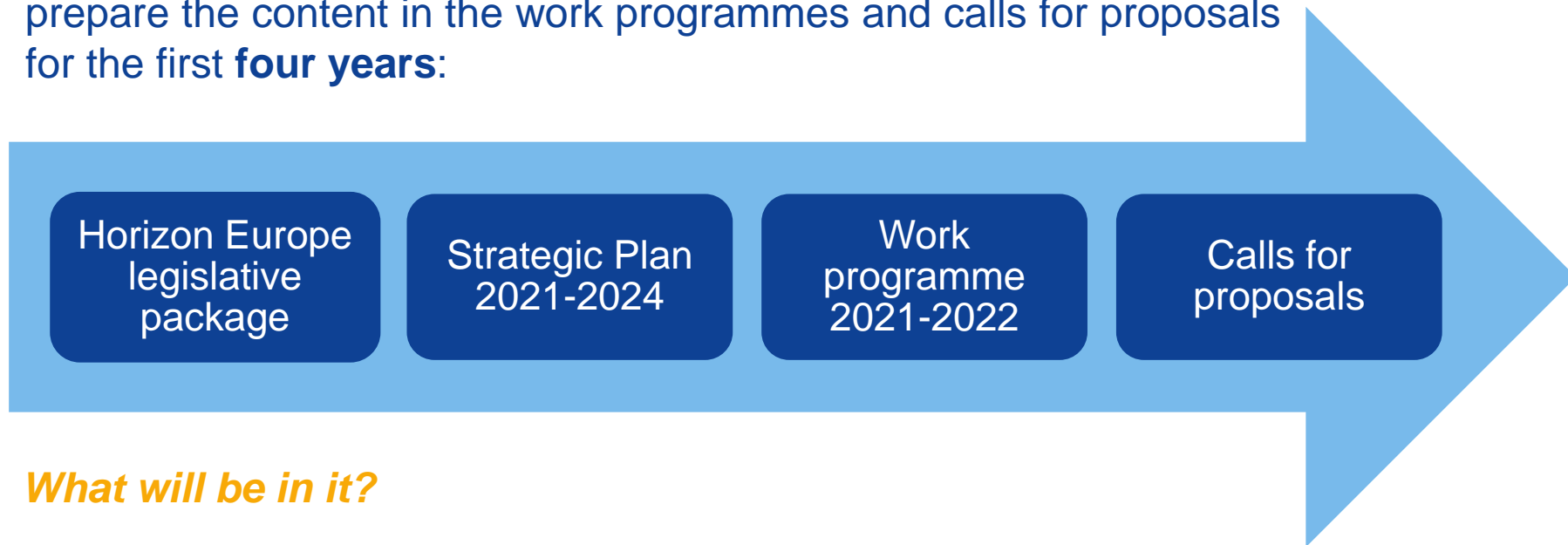
What is in it?



- Sustainable management and efficient use of natural resources
- Climate mitigation and adaptation
- Plant health
- Animal health and welfare
- Use and delivery of ecosystem services
- Sustainable forest management
- EU plant protein production
- Sustainable land use, rural development and territorial linkages
- Digital innovations
- AKIS; advice, building skills, participatory approaches and information sharing
- International partnerships for sustainable agriculture for food and nutrition security

Strategic Plan gives direction to the work programme

Strategic Plan (new implementing act by the Commission) will prepare the content in the work programmes and calls for proposals for the first **four years**:



What will be in it?

- Expected impacts: strategic orientation for R&I support
- Partnerships and missions
- Areas for international cooperation
- Other issues

Strategic Plan: Cluster 6

Why? Challenges:
cross-cutting long-term impacts

What? Priorities in intervention areas:
short- & medium-term impacts

How? Implementation approaches

Challenges: six cross-cutting long-term impacts



Environmental
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Biodiversity
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Agriculture, Forestry
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Seas, Oceans
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Food Systems

Bio-based innovation
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Priorities: short- & medium term impacts



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**Short-
& medium-term
impacts**

short- & medium-term impacts



- climate- and environmentally-friendly practices in farming and forestry systems
- “de-fossilisation” of land-based primary production
- LULUCF activities in the mitigation of climate change
- forest management
- diversity in farming and forestry systems
- better-adapted crop varieties and animal breeds
- climate neutral and resilient rural communities



- resource use efficiency in agriculture and forestry and alternatives to scarce resources
- circular economy: better linking rural and urban resource flows, small-scale bio-based solutions, innovations at the interface between agriculture, aquaculture, forestry

short- & medium-term impacts



- farming and forestry systems that protect, restore and enhance agrobiodiversity, wild biodiversity and ecosystem services across a range of scales
- implementation and upscaling of agro-ecological approaches in primary production, including organic and mixed farming or agroforestry



- conservation, management and use of agrobiodiversity
- impacts of primary production on biodiversity, identify the ecological boundaries of the bioeconomy
- nature-based solutions to enhance biodiversity



- prevent, monitor and control animal and plant pests and diseases including emerging risks, and to address antimicrobial resistance
- safe and environmentally friendly methods for plant protection and weed control that substantially reduce the use of contentious pesticides
- improved animal health and welfare



short- & medium-term impacts



- sustainability-oriented redesign of food and non-food value chains,
- fairer distribution of value added and better balanced power relations,
- reconnected producers, consumers and nature,
- revalued environmental, health and socio-economic impacts



- strategies and policies to describe and close the divide between rural and urban areas and benefit rural dwellers and workers and generational renewal in farming and rural communities, with special attention to vulnerable groups
- digital services and skills, co-created with and for rural people
- social networks, social capital and social innovation processes and allow for innovations in rural communities that support the sustainability agenda locally



- data, knowledge base and impact measurements for improving monitoring and evaluation of EU policies addressing agriculture, forestry, related value chains and rural areas in the period 2021-2027 and beyond
- observation networks of European forests



- Agricultural knowledge and innovation systems (AKIS)
- place-based innovations, strengthening synergies with other EU Funds in particular smart specialisation strategies, reinforcing the multi-actor approach and establishing a network of living-labs in agro-ecology



- ICT as an enabler, allowing to build an open digital environment and supporting bottom-up innovation in agriculture, forestry, related value chains and rural areas

Towards the first Horizon Europe Work Programme 2021-2022



Summer
2019

Early involvement and exchanges with Member States,
Online consultation with stakeholders and the public at large,
Establishment of Mission Boards

Autumn
/ winter
2019/2020

Co-creation at Research & Innovation Days 24 – 26 September,
Exchanges with the new European Parliament,
Envisaged endorsement by new Commission of Strategic Plan

Spring
/summer
2020

Drafting of Horizon Europe Work Programme 2021-2022
on the basis of the Strategic Plan

November
2020

Pre-publication of Work Programme 2021-2022
Opening of first 2021 calls (tbc)

December
2020

Formal adoption of Work Programme 2021-2022 (tbc)



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