

Possibilities to strengthen the role of agricultural advisory services AKIS

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What is AKIS?



Researchers





Farmer



Businesses



Organisations

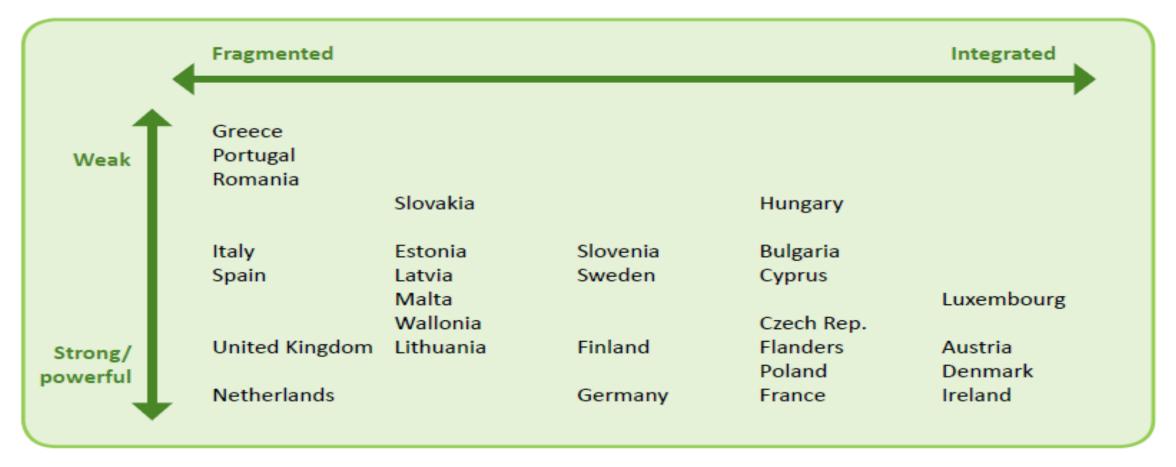




AKIS is an integrated approach supporting innovation and knowledge flows

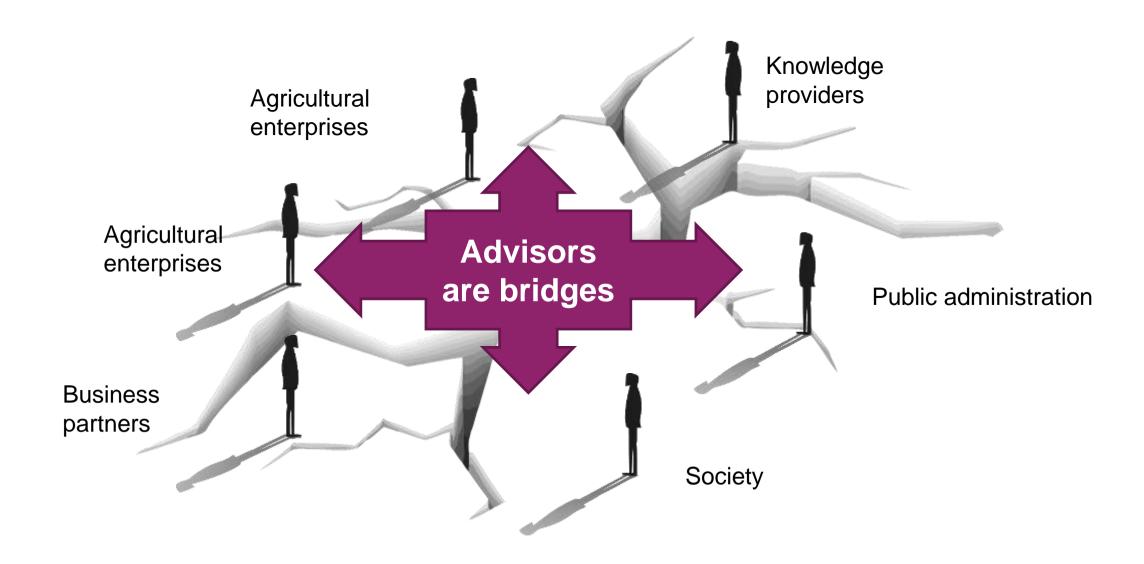
How AKIS works now?

AKIS is different in the EU



SWG SCAR-AKIS Exchange of views on how to improve MSs' Agricultural Knowledge and Innovation Systems: https://scar-europe.org/index.php/akis-documents

What are the challenges of AKIS?



Where is AKIS in post 2020 CAP?

INCREASE COMPETITIVENESS

ENSURE VIABLE INCOME





REBALANCE POWER IN FOOD CHAIN



CLIMATE CHANGE ACTION

Modernisation is a cross-cutting objective: innovation, digitalisation, advisory

QUALITY





PRESERVE
LANDSCAPES
& BIODIVERSITY

SUPPORT
GENERATIONAL RENEWAL

Where is AKIS in CAP Strategic Plans?

Content of the plans (Art. 95)

- a) an assessment of needs;
- b) an intervention strategy;
- c) a description of elements common to several interventions;
- d) a description of the direct payments, sectoral and rural development interventions specified in the strategy;
- e) target and financial plans; (=> INDICATORS)
- f) a description of the governance and coordination system;
- g) a description of the elements that ensure modernisation of the CAP;
- h) a description of the elements related to simplification and reduced administrative burden for final beneficiaries.

Where are AKIS related articles?

Art 5

Cross-cutting objective of modernisation, knowledge sharing, innovation and digitalisation

Strategic approach to plan CAP interventions

Art 102 Modernisation in CAP Strategic Plans:

Well-functioning AKIS:
research + advisors + CAP networks +... working togetherand
digitalisation

Tools = targeted CAP interventions to support the strategy:

Art 72

Funding for knowledge exchange, advice and information

Art 13

Details on Advice and Innovation support to be given

Art 71

Cooperation:
Funding for preparing and implementing EIP OG projects

Art 114

Details on EIP and OGs,
Interactive innovation model

Art 113
CAP networks:
Fostering innovation and knowledge exchange

First MS ideas on CAP AKIS plans 1.

- Connection between (1) <u>all</u> advisors and (2) OG innovative projects and research insufficiently exploited
- New approach for advice envisaged: impartial, away from FAS and public procurement, towards more interactiveness with farmers and other actors and providing innovation support
- Training for advisors to be improved (going abroad, interactive role), developing advisory tools to use knowledge ("back-office")
- Rethinking of OGs: more types of calls, smaller scale/bigger, continuous calls, cross-border,...
- Discovery of potential of on-farm demonstration for many purposes: demonstration, validation, place to meet, follow-up encounters with individual advice,...
- Lack of international connections and knowledge flows

First MS ideas on CAP AKIS plans 2.

- Extra efforts planned/wanted for specific groups: young farmers, small farmers, hard-to-reach farmers,
- First thoughts about building knowledge reservoirs for practice
- Simpler administration: vouchers, ...
- AKIS coordination very much needed but with use of existing well-functioning instruments, also bringing in new actors which not part of the traditional system (e.g. consumers)
- AKIS mapping necessary first, then reflection and collaboration
- Need for sufficient funding
- -=> AKIS policy needed

What is SCAR AKIS SWG?

Think tank for R&I policy since 2010



1st Mandate

- FR & NL
- EU SCAR (2012), Agricultural knowledge and innovation systems in transition
- **REFLECTION** paper

2nd Mandate

- FR & NL
- EU SCAR (2013), Agricultural knowledge and innovation systems towards 2020 – Orientation paper on linking innovation and research
- MA APPROACH, TNs, PRACT.ABSTR.

3rd Mandate

- NL & BE
- EU SCAR (2015), Agricultural Knowledge and Innovation Systems Towards the Future -Foresight Paper:
- AKIS FORESIGHT

4th Mandate

- FR & ES & HU
- Policy Brief (2017),
 Future of ADVISORY
 SERVICES
- Policy Brief (2017),
 New approaches on
 Agricultural
 EDUCATION Systems

5th Mandate

- FR & HU
- EIP synergies
- Greater impact of MAA
- Role of Education
- Digitisation in our service
- Social innovation





THANK YOU For your attention

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