

# Possibilities to strengthen the role of agricultural advisory services AKIS

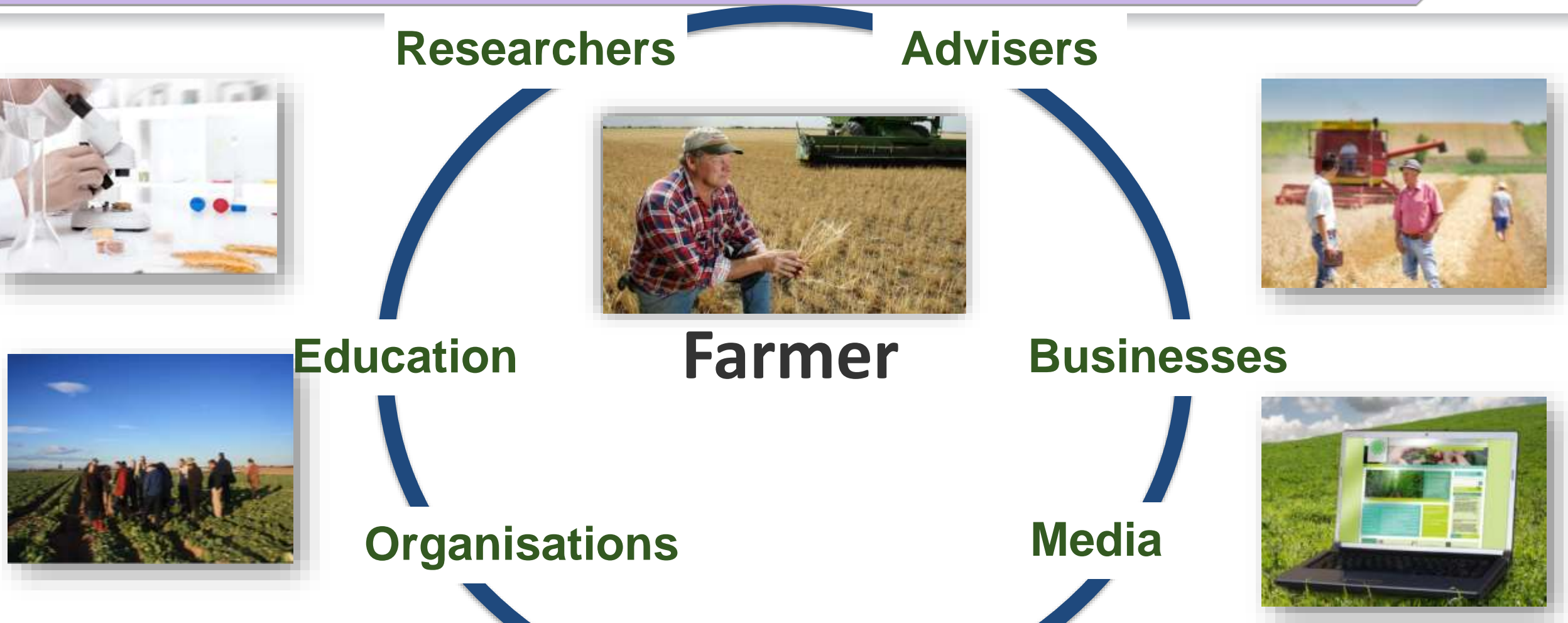
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# What is AKIS?



**AKIS is an integrated approach supporting innovation and knowledge flows**

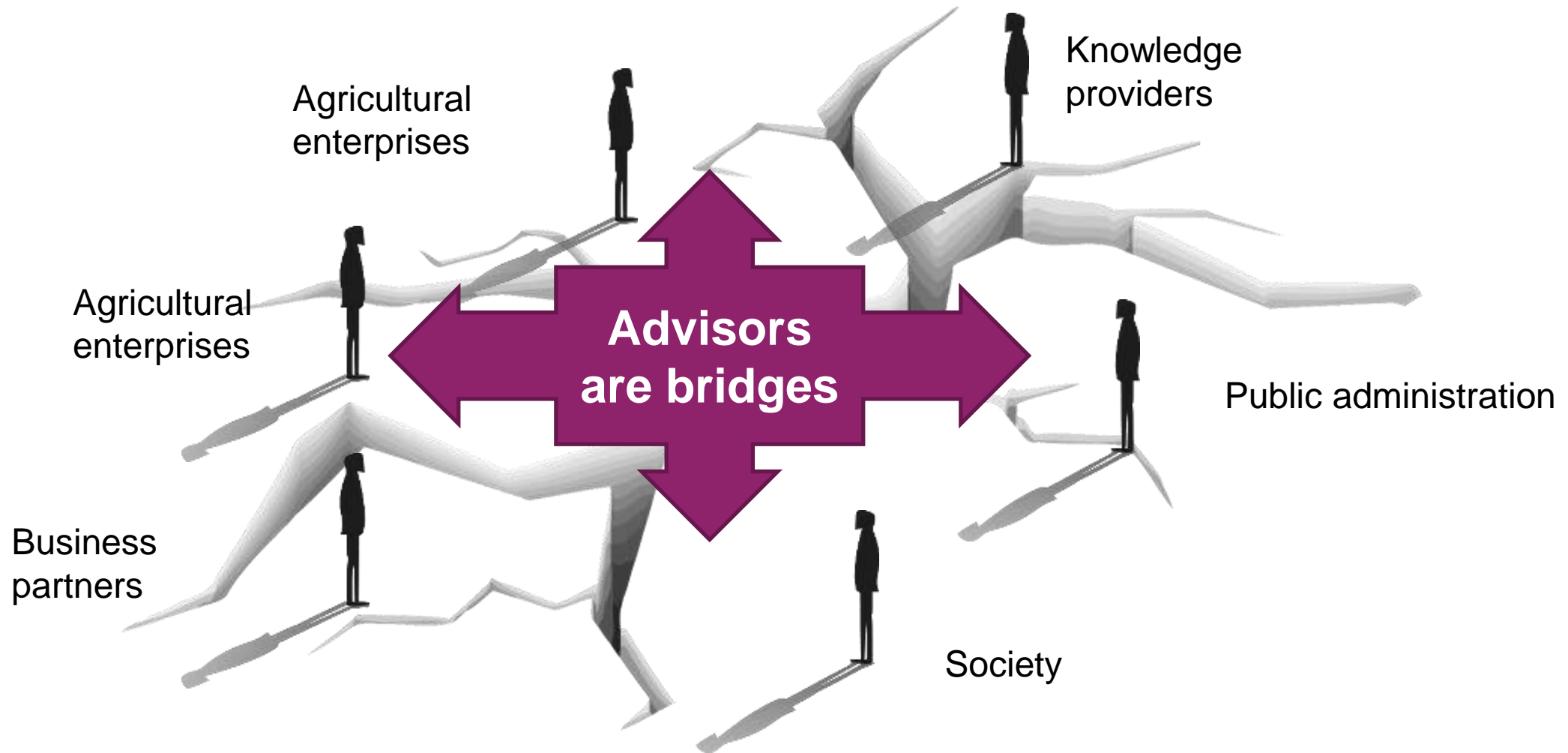
# How AKIS works now?

## 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?



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

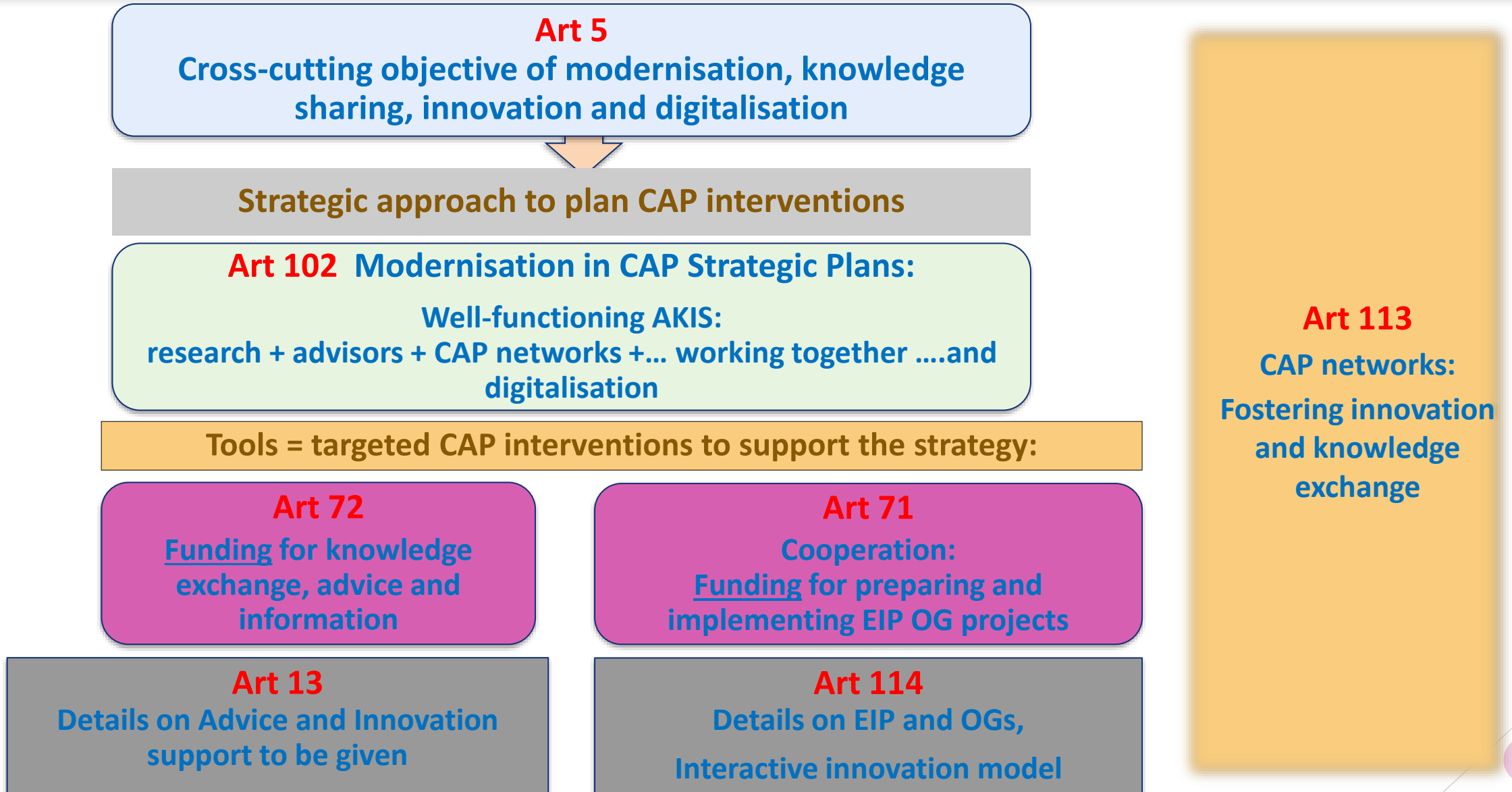


# Where is AKIS in CAP Strategic Plans?

## 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?



# First MS ideas on CAP AKIS plans 1.

- Connection between (1) all 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

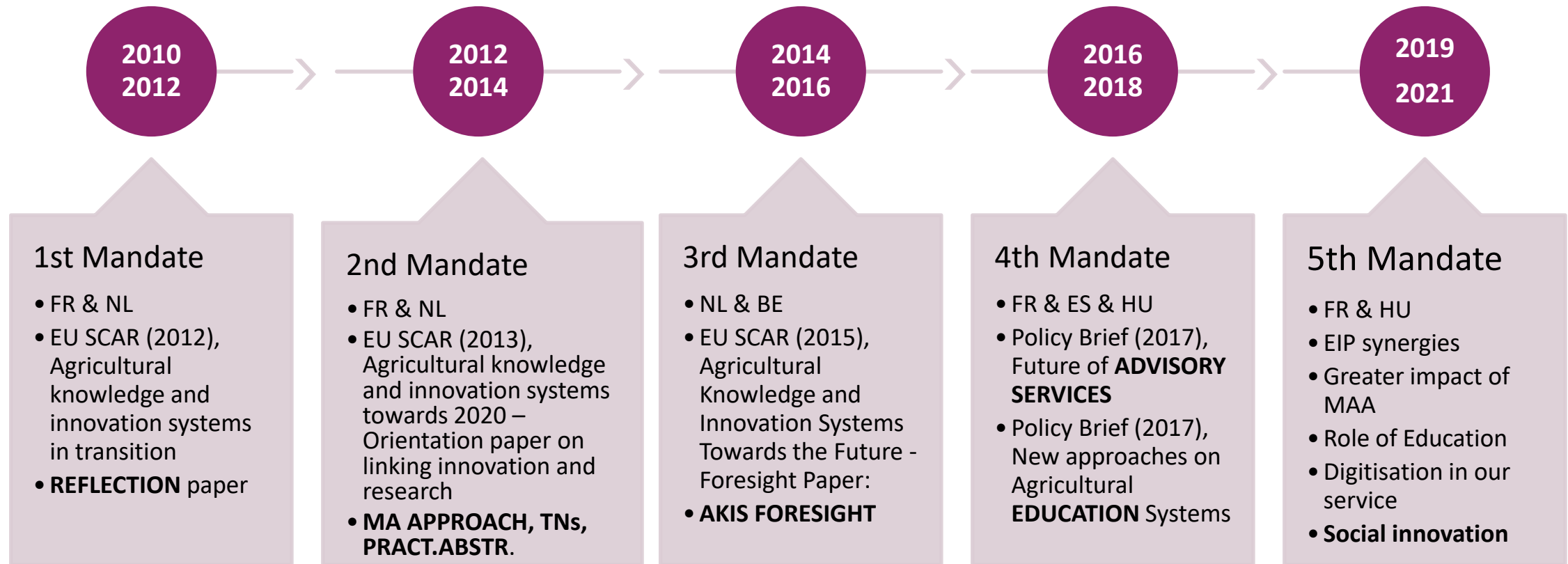


# First MS ideas on CAP AKIS plans 2.

- 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





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