

SCAR SWG AKIS 4 - 7th Meeting
TALLIN, December 2017

The SCAR SWG AKIS4 meeting in Tallin will be the seventh of the meetings proposed for the development of the mandate endorsed by the SCAR plenary in December 2015. This meeting will look to develop the following topics identified in the AKIS 4 mandate:

- **Learning and feedback from interactive projects approaches:**
 - ✓ Presentations and exchanges with cross-border OGs
- **Improve the integrated approach within the European AKIS – with supporting Infrastructures**
 - ✓ Presentations and exchanges on digitization and knowledge reservoirs of projects and institutions
- **Other topics of interest**
 - ✓ Introduction of “Future of food and farming” CAP communication and AKIS in it

This meeting is particularly important since - with the text in the **CAP communication for the period 2020-2027 - we will now need to go from an "analytic" AKIS mode into a more active mode** designing Member States' CAP AKIS plans and with guidance and legislation soon to be prepared. With the extra incentives from the post 2020 CAP to step up AKIS and thanks to the long-lasting experience in the group that should be feasible, we hope. The relevant text from the CAP Communication will be sent to you as soon as it is published (29/11).

Please **be prepared to reflect your own country's current AKIS system** and how it can be improved with a view to better/closer/more integrated interaction between research, advisors and (rural) networks. We will try to summarize some common lines from this discussion to build further on. Of course, with a view to strengthening knowledge flows and innovation, the organization of the interactive management and structuring of actors (advisors, rural networks and researchers) will need to be discussed, and this is intrinsically linked with the (digital) knowledge data management and infrastructures. This is based on and has already been prepared in our discussions last year on the Policy Brief on the Future of Advisory services and many thematic networks have been developing this too

http://scar-europe.org/images/AKIS/Documents/Policy_Brief_Future_Advisory_Services.pdf).

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Thursday December 7th

Venue: Ministry of Rural Affairs of the Republic of Estonia, Lai tn 39 // Lai tn 41, 15056 Tallinn, Estonia

08.30– Welcome coffee

08.50 –Welcome speech by Estonian host

Session 1: Improving cross-border cooperation – lessons from Lisbon and our Estonian host:

09.00 – Presentation of the Estonian research and innovation approach - including clusters and cross-border EIP OGs (Toomas Keevai)

90.20 – Presentation of an Estonian cross-border EIP OG process

09.35 – Exchanges on:

- Are there other cross-border and cross-regional OG examples in the EU (e.g. Spain, France)?
- How to involve stakeholders in cross-border and cross-regional OGs – can H2020 MA projects help? Key success factors and bottlenecks?
- How to improve the public enabling environment of cross-border and cross-regional OGs?
- What are the most important cross-border and cross-regional topics – is there a pattern?

10.05 – Coffee Break

Session 2: Future of AKIS – lessons from CAP communication

10.25 – Update on the EIP and presentation of the CAP communication paper related to AKIS (Inge Van Oost)

10.45 – Presentation of the Estonian advisory service development - (Küllli Kaare)

11.00 – Exchanges on:

- What is your opinion of the AKIS part of the CAP communication?
- How to help the AKIS part of CAP communication become a reality at the MS policy making level?
- How do you start making a national or regional AKIS plan? Which criteria and which guidance?
- Develop questions for Athens and gather possible good examples and experts to invite.

Session 3: Capitalizing on digitization and knowledge reservoirs

11.50 – Presentation from the Bonn AKIS meeting report and other relevant workshops on digitization

12.05 – Presentation of the Estonian long-term program for knowledge transfer in digitization (tbc)

12.20 – Presentation from the Lisbon AKIS meeting report about knowledge reservoirs

12.35 – Presentation of (a) good example(s) on information and data management system (e.g. OK NET - Arable or Ecofeed, or Inno4grass)

12.50 – Lunch break

13.50: Exchanges on:

Group 1:

- How can we capitalize on the digitization knowledge we collected so far?
- What are the most important question for the AKIS infrastructure? Involvement of specific actors? Data and information sharing?

Group 2:

- How can we make project (EIP: OGS, MA and TN) knowledge reservoirs more interconnected?
- How can we make knowledge reservoirs more user friendly? Who are the target groups?
- How can we make knowledge reservoirs available and up-to-date after the end of projects?
- Develop questions for Athens and gather possible good examples and experts to invite.

14.40 – Coffee Break

15.00: Presentation of parallel sessions outcomes

5 minutes report of each group and after than 15 minutes discussion

Session 5: Upcoming AKIS related events

15.40 – Upcoming events:

- CASA workshops in Poland and Hungary
- Cross-fertilization workshop for Multi-actor projects and Thematic Networks in Brussels, March 2018

- International conference on advisory services – Mosónmagyaróvár – Hungary –possible EIP workshop – June 2018
- Any other proposals from AKIS SWG members
- SWG AKIS 2018 Work plan (Athens / Brussels with SWG FS / Poland)

16.00 – End of the meeting