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09:00 – 10:00 Welcome & introduction by *Alberto D'Avino (DG AGRI)*

### Session I “Ready, steady, go: launching new EIP-AGRI networking activities for 2018

- **EIP-AGRI network work plan for 2018, *Koen Desimpelaere (EIP-AGRI Service Point)***
- New Focus Groups – Launch of calls for experts
  - FG 29 “New feed for livestock”
  - FG 30 “Protecting perennial crop production from frost damage”
  - FG 31 “Reducing food loss on the farm”
- Workshop “Innovative water management in agriculture”, *Anikó Seregélyi (DG AGRI)*
- Communicating the digital transformation in agriculture, *Fabio Cossu (DG AGRI)*

### 10:00 – 11:00 Interactive session II “Improving OG connection and upscaling their results”

- Introduction by *Rob Peters (DG AGRI)*
- Presentation of two H2020 Multi-Actor Projects involving OGs
  - LANDMARK, *Francesca Bampa*
  - EuroDairy, *Ray Keatinge*
- Recent and ongoing experiences connecting OGs
  - Flash presentations by members of the Subgroup*

11:00 – 11:30 Coffee break



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11:30 – 13:00 **Interactive session II “Improving OG connection and upscaling their results” (cont.)**

- Introduction by *DG AGRI and EIP-AGRI Service Point*
- Forthcoming study assessing Operational Groups
- Discussion in groups: how to foster cooperation among OGs

13:00 – 14:00 Lunch break

14:00 – 15:00 **Session III “Evaluation innovation”**

- Presentation of the guidelines on evaluating innovation in RDPs  
European Evaluation Helpdesk for Rural Development, *Hannes Wimmer*
- Assessing Innovation, what’s going on?  
*Flash presentations by members of the Subgroup*

15:00 – 15:10 “Intermezzo”: AGROPOL Pilot Project

15:10 – 15:40 Coffee break

15:40 – 16:30 **Session IV “Can we do better?”**

- Results of the self-assessment of the EU Rural Networks up to 2017  
*DG AGRI and EIP-AGRI Service Point*
- Discussion on the follow-up to the recommendations relevant for the EIP-AGRI network

16:30 – 16:45 Wrap-up / next steps

16:45 Closing



# EIP-AGRI Network Priorities in 2018

## Fostering a thriving Agricultural Innovation Ecosystem

Extending and consolidating the EIP-AGRI network

- Work with OGs: OG assessment study and Seminar on upscaling OG results
- Communicate the digital transformation: Workshop, Toolbox and Seminar
- Particular attention to multipliers and intermediary organisations which can help reach farmers
- Intensify networking activities in Eastern and Central Europe

## Promoting innovation in managing natural resources and improving farm resilience

- 3 Focus Groups (Frost damage, Weed management, Olive pests)
- Water workshop

## Strengthening agricultural value chains within a circular, decarbonised economy

- 2 Focus Groups (New livestock feed, Food loss on the farm)
- Farm Diversification workshop