

Progress of the EIP IMPLEMENTATION in Catalonia

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Progress in EIP implementation

- Situation autumn 2014:
 - Preparation of Rural Development Program (RDP)
 - Call for OG preparatory work (conceptual framework)
- Changes during the last year:
 - RDP adoption in July 2015
- Successes:
 - Call for OG published in August 2015. Deadline 24/10/2015
 - Interest from potential OG-members (Informative activities, telephonic inquiries,...)

Progress in EIP implementation

- Problems:
 - Late adoption of RDP
 - Loophole: Forestry sector - Minimis
- Plans for the future:
 - Grant 2015 call for OG
 - 2nd call for OG – 1st trimester 2016
 - Dissemination of OGs information

Call for Operational groups

- If already organised:

- Previous experience RDP in Catalonia 2007-2013:

MEASURE 124 : co-operation for the development of new products, processes and technologies in the agriculture, food and the forestry sectors

More than **300 projects** financed with the participation of **over 30** research and technologic institutes or Universities

- If there was no call yet:

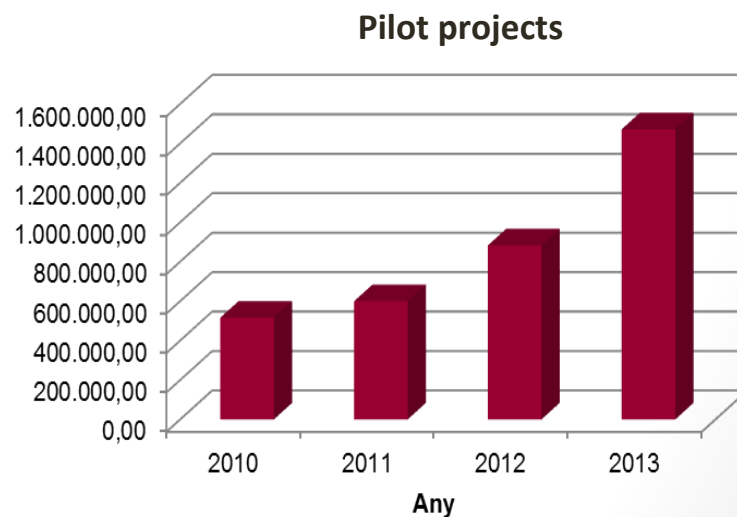
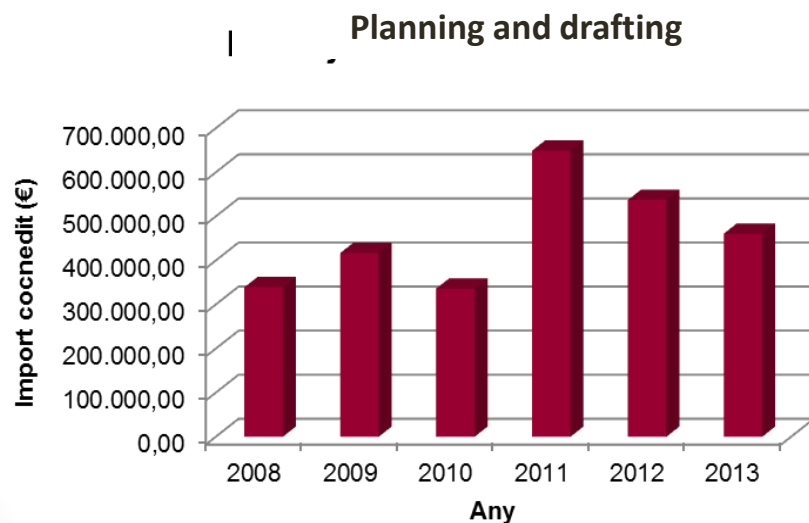
- Open Call. Deadline 24 October 2015
 - Pluriannual
 - Total import 3.500.000 euros:
 - Creation OG (Planning and drafting of RDI projects): 500.000 euros
 - OG Innovative pilot projects : 3.000.000 euros
 - Individual evaluation following technical criteria published in the call
 - Evaluation committee – globality of the requests

Rural Development Program in Catalonia 2007-2013

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Balance 2007-2013

Evolution of amounts granted



Call for Operational groups

- Technical evaluation criteria:
 - Degree of innovation of the proposal/project and impact on the sector
 - Scientific and technical quality of the project
 - Composition and governance of the group
 - Communication plan of the innovation results
 - Impact on the internationalization and growth of companies belonging to the OG

Linking the OG's to the broader EIP framework

- Tools for collecting OG outcomes
 - Summary Sheets
- New initiatives to link OG's at different levels
 - RuralCat (Virtual community of the Catalan agricultural, food-industry and rural world)
 - EIP website
- New initiatives to link OG's with national research and Horizon 2020
 - Spanish Innovation Platform (IDi-A)
 - Open to new proposals

Brokering, networking and monitoring

- (New) Actors involved in brokering for OG's:
 - Open call
- Networking
 - Coordination meetings at Spanish level
 - Informative activities aimed at potential OG-members
- Monitoring
 - Continuous monitoring and evaluation:
 - Internal: Sectorial units within DARP
 - External: Sectorial advisory boards
 - Catalan Council for Agrifood Innovation: Agrifood RDI agents (Sector + University + Research Centers + Administration)