

CROPLANDS RESEARCH GROUP

Agroforestry Systems Network

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Number of members: 16 (EU, AM, AF)

Activities/Accomplishment since last meeting

- Next Steps (Identified fall 2016)
 - **Increase regional participation and identify different the regional systems represented.**
 - **Finalise the factsheet to share with the Group.**
 - **Identify the impediments to adoption.**
 - **New research to understand what happens at the tree-crop interface, addition of trees to systems and how the alter them.**

Members

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Activities/Accomplishment since last meeting

- **Increase regional participation and identify different the regional systems represented.**
 1. Currently low number that can be further increased.
 2. EURAF researchers can be integrated in GRA for Climate Change issues as well as stakeholders from India and Mexico who has launched a National Agroforestry Strategy.
 3. The 2 Million project AFINET (Agroforestry Innovation Network) involving 9 EU countries to innovate on Agroforestry and Climate Smart Change can add more members

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3. Other initiatives: Agroforestry Focus group EIP-AGRI, European Commission

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➤ Identify the impediments to adoption

1.- AFINET project has the main aim to overcome impediments to adoption

2.- Round table was carried out in the last Agroforestry Temperate Association in Blacksbourg, Virginia, with USA, Canada, Mexico and EURAF participants to discuss about policies to foster agroforestry

3.- Papers on stakeholders analysis has been carried out (Agroforestry systems special issue from AGFORWARD)

4. Good initiatives: GACSA

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➤ **New research to understand what happens at the tree-crop interface, addition of trees to systems and how they alter them.**

1- AGFORWARD (7 million Euros) “**Network 800** stakeholders 1st meeting (deciding innovations 2014), 2nd meeting (showing results 2017). **Policy** report for the CAP (28 countries of the European Commission)

2.- AFINET project (2 million Euros) “Network 500 farmers” meeting every 6 months until 2019.

3.- Two Canadian projects

4. Europe: operational groups from EIP-Agri

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➤ **New activities**

- 1- Metadata analysis (environmental, social and economics aspects for different systems)
- 2.- Book on “fostering agroforestry policy.
- 3.- Inventory of long term experiment of agroforestry sites around the world
4. Development of a repository within the Openaire free database (EU) dealing with agroforestry (AFINET)
5. Align future activities with the Integrative Research Group
6. EURAF 4th conference (end May Nijmegen, The Netherlands)
7. World Congress on Agroforestry – Montpellier 2019
8. World Congress on ICLF – Brazil 2019
9. Survey about public policies in low C agriculture and agroforestry for the 48 GRA members countries