

Cooperation Measure

State of Play of the implementation in the
MS/regions

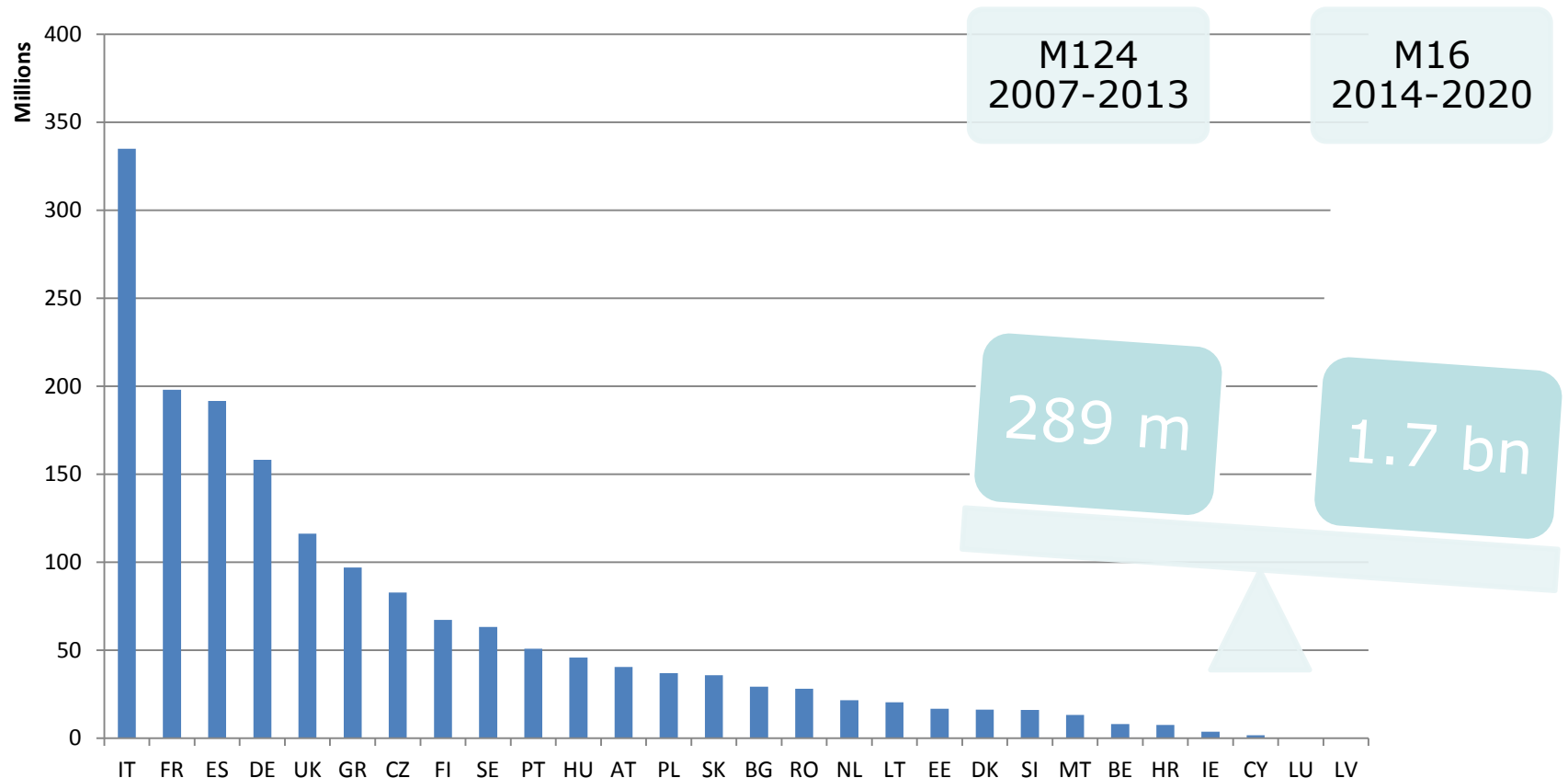
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Why cooperation?

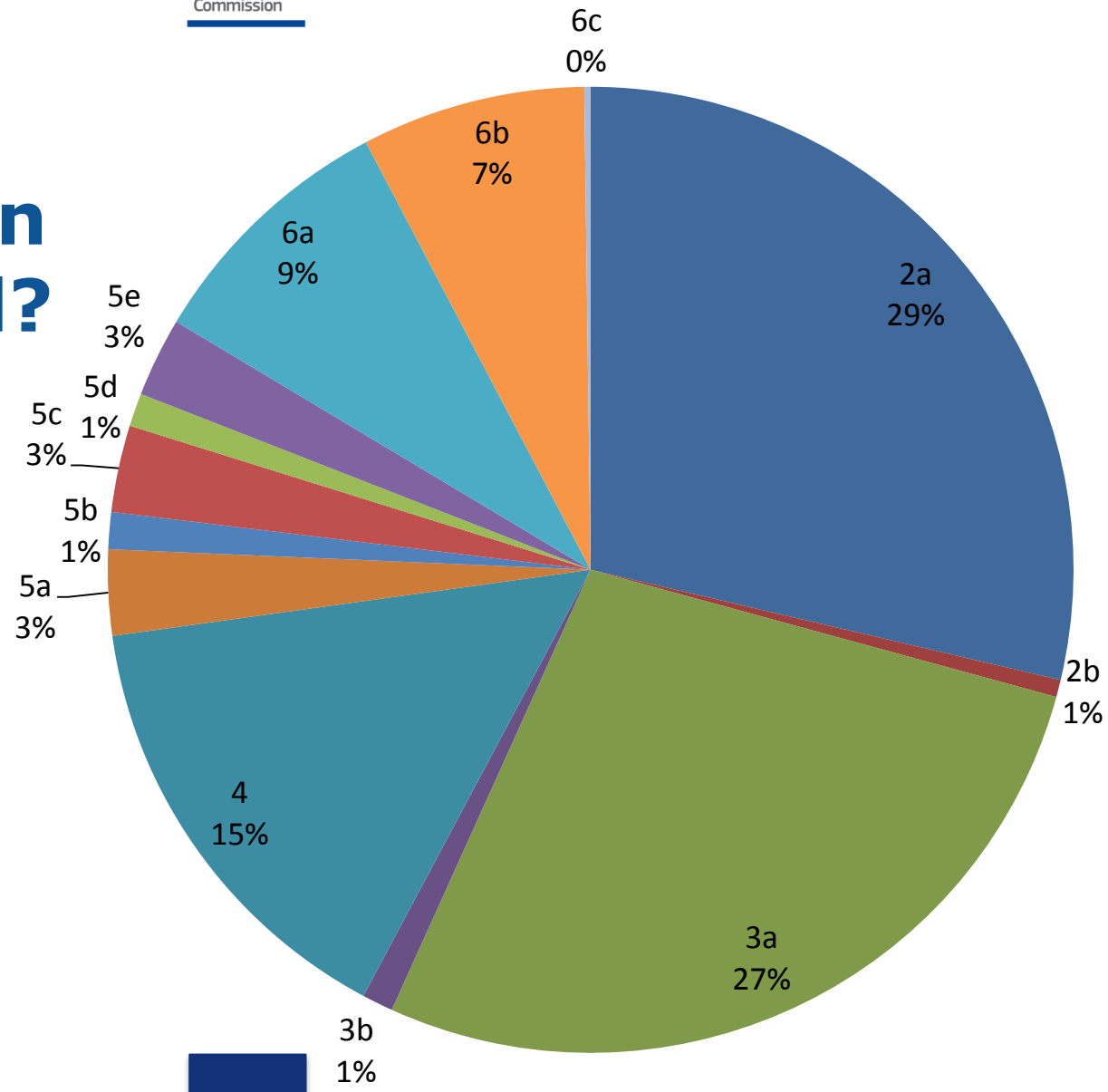
- *The need for scale (organize input/output on farms, habitat fragmentation, cost-sharing)*
- *The need to do things differently (innovation, inclusion, integrated solutions, supply chain)*
- *Fills a gap between LEADER and PG/Quality*

2014-2020 Uptake of M16

26 Member States (All but LV, LU)



Under which Focus Areas has M16 been programmed?

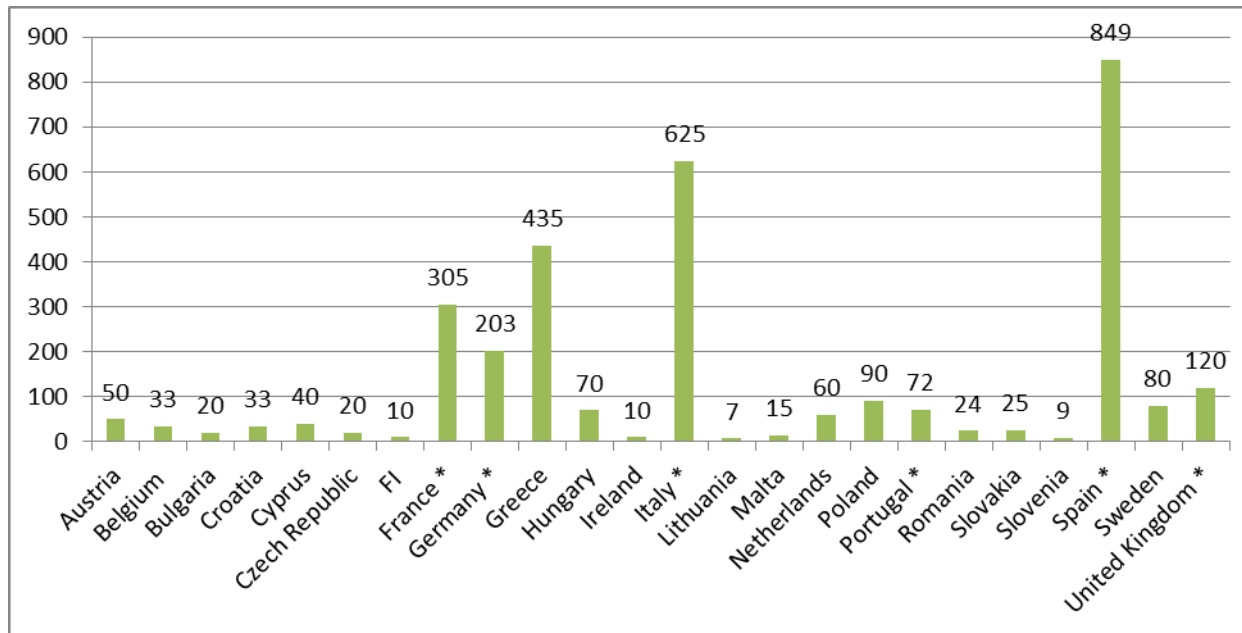


State of Play Expenditure

Committed per 31.12.15: € 98 million (5.7%)

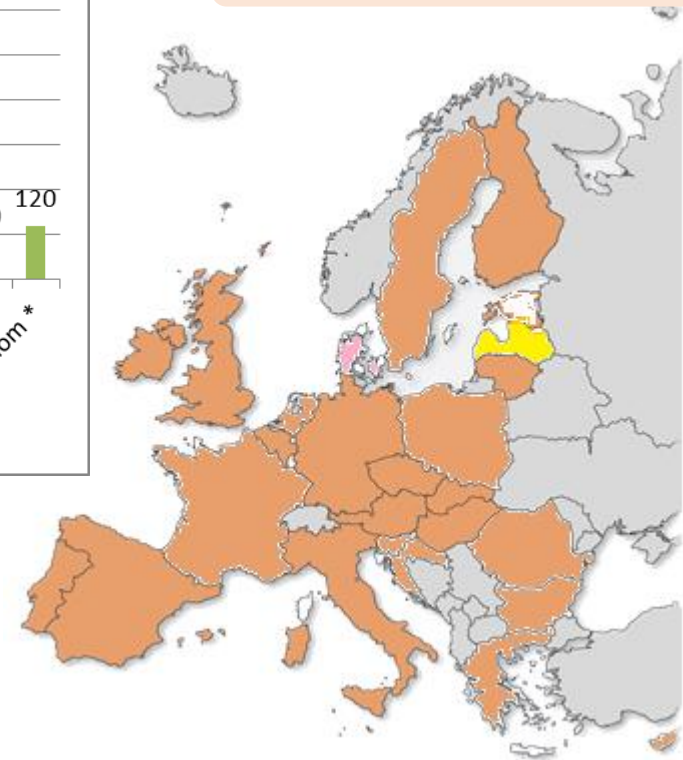
Payments executed (19.09.16): 16.8 million (>1%)

M16.1/16.2: Funding for EIP projects & pilots



Number of EIP Operational Group per MS

94 RDPs across 24(+2)MSs



M16.3 – Small operators & rural tourism (1)

Objective:

- Increase the **economic viability of small operators**

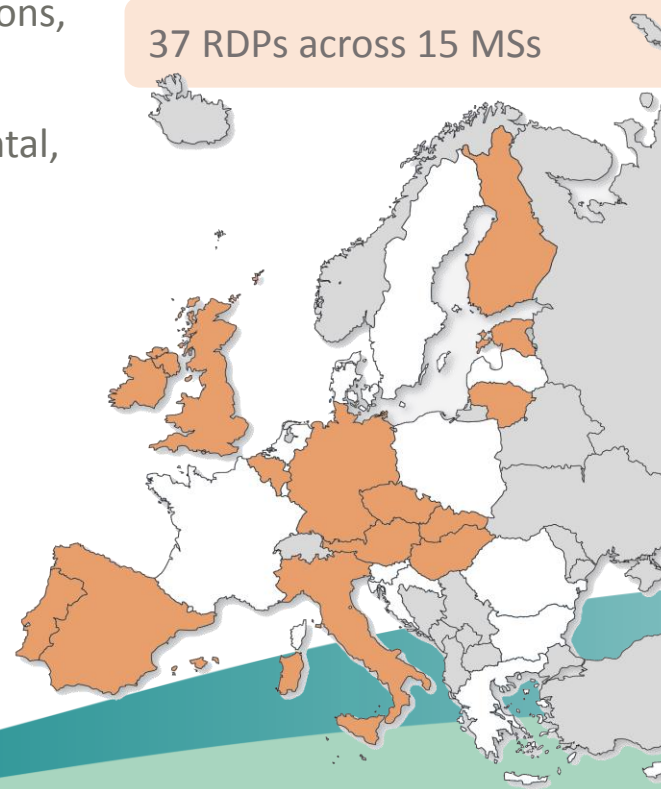
Approaches:

1. **Cooperation in tourism sector**, new clusters, associations, networks, marketing of rural tourism services
2. **Cooperation among small farmers**, vertical & horizontal, cooperation and investments to share equipment, machinery and services
3. **A mix**, cooperation of tourism activities aiming at sharing facilities and services

More:

Craft sector, food sector, forestry, tourism in nature, social farming.

37 RDPs across 15 MSs





M16.3 – Small operators & rural tourism (2)

Contribution P/FA	6A - Diversification & job creation, 6B - Local development, 3A - Agri-food chain integration & quality, and 2A - Farm's performance, restructuring & modernisation
Linkages with Measures	M04 - Investments in physical assets
Costs	Studies, creation and implementation of business and marketing plans, animation costs, marketing and promotional activities
Cooperation group	According to the regulation: at least two entities , being microenterprises + approach of a min. no. of partners , E.g. 10 EE, IT-Emilia Romagna
More criteria	Promotion of specific categories (e.g. woman & youth), attention to climate change, innovation brought by the projects, location in areas with development problems...

M16.4 – Short supply chains and local markets (1)



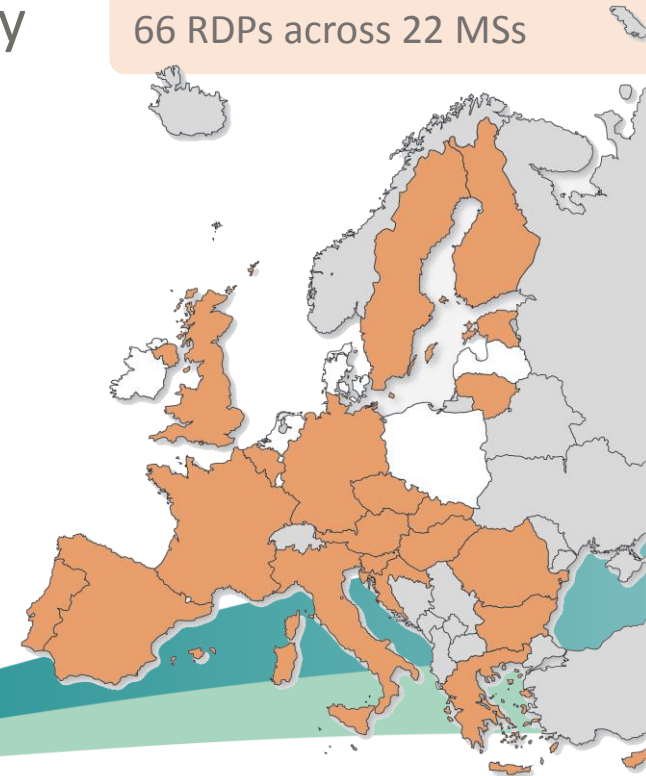
Objective:

- Increase farmers income & competitiveness, economies of scale, more competitive prices, fairer payment to producers
- Better quality products, support to quality schemes
- Environment and climate impact: limit CO2 emissions
- Increasing awareness about SSCs, viability

66 RDPs across 22 MSs

Approaches:

- Sharing facilities and resources
- Creating point of sale, cooperation for direct selling to consumers



M16.4 – Short supply chains and local markets (2)



Contribution P/FA	3A - Agri-food chain integration & quality, P1 - Knowledge transfer & innovation 6A - Diversification & job creation, & 6B - Local development
Linkages with Measures	M04 - Investments in physical assets M1 - Knowledge transfer and information actions + others... 16.1 in several RDPs
Costs	Studies, creation and implementation of business including investments, pilot projects, animation costs, promotion & communication activities.
Cooperation group	At least two entities from agriculture, food or forestry sectors Important: coordination of the cooperation group Privilege to numerous groups , some cases RDPs specify the categories e.g. young farmers + Local authorities, R&D organisations & advisors
More criteria	Local market size: max distance from 20 to 100 km; average: 70-75 km Where M16.4 + M16.1 : dissemination of projects results through EIP network

M16.5 – Environment & climate change (1)



Objective:

1. **Protection of biodiversity** with specific attention to protected areas (Natura 2000, parks, high nature value)

FA 4A

FA 4C & 5E

2. **Land management** plans

1. Sustainable soil uses
2. Resource efficient agriculture production
3. Traditional rural landscapes
4. Sustainable forest management

FA 4B & 5A

3. **Water management**, adapting water networks

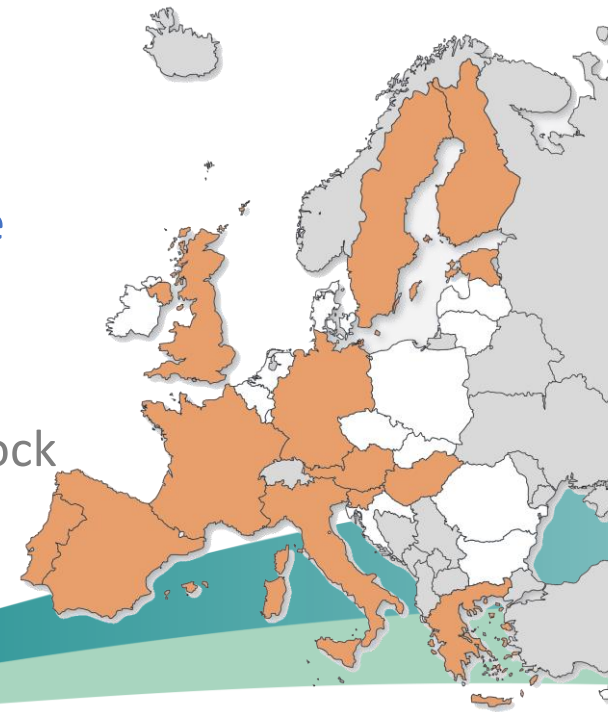
4. More **resource saving, site-adapted** and **sustainable** practices

FA 5B & 5C

5. Reduction of **greenhouse gas emissions** from livestock & agricultural practices

FA 5C & 5D

56 RDPs across 15 MSs



M16.5 – Environment & climate change (2)



Linkages with Measures	M10 - Agri-environment-climate M11 - Organic farming M04 - Investments in physical assets Also, combination with other M16 sub-Measures e.g. 16.1, 16.2
Costs	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• the establishment and coordination of the cooperation group;• feasibility studies and business plans. <p>No mention to project support! However very few RDPs clearly specify the use of other measures for supporting the projects.</p>
Cooperation group	Wide variety of stakeholders ...land and wood managers, farmers, NGOs, local authorities, research institutes...
More criteria	Impact on environmental and climate change Also the number, composition and professional background/training of the applicants

M16.6 – Biomass provision (1)

Objective:

1. Strengthen weak, small or young biomass sector
2. Improve the competitiveness of the biomass supply chain & all actors involved in it
3. Support the sustainable production of biomass & sustainable management of forests
4. Take advantage of un-used local resources
5. Increase the added value of agro-food products
6. Bring innovation in the biomass supply chain:
e.g. processes and practices for production and distribution



24 RDPs across 9 MSs



M16.6 – Biomass provision (2)



Contribution P/FA	5C - Renewable sources and wastes management 3A - Integration & quality development in the agri-food chain integration & quality 2A - Farm's performance, restructuring and modernisation
Linkages with Measures	M04 - Investments in physical assets M06 - Investments in farm and business development M07 - Investments in village services M08 - Investments in forest areas 16.1 EIP
Costs	Feasibility studies, creation and implementation of business plans, Animation costs; implementation of the projects.
Cooperation group	Raw material producers, biomass processors, actors of the agriculture, forestry and food sectors Also: sectorial organisations, public institutions, research institutes, advisory services
More criteria	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Numerous cooperation groups• Applying sustainable practices• Also: SSCs, traceability location of projects



M16.7 – Non CLLD Strategies (1)

Approaches:

1. Integrated LDSs with a broad variety of objectives: 21/29 RDPs → All 3 MSs
2. LDSs aiming at improving land & forests use & management: 12/29 RDPs → Only in France
3. Both: 4/29 RDPs

Linkages with M19 - CLLD

Demarcation M16.7 / M19 is some times presented in the RDPs, e.g.

- Primacy to M19
- Territories not covered by CLLD

Cases: Start-up toolkit for CLLD, unsuccessful LEADER applicants





M16.7 – Non CLLD Strategies (2)

LDS	Objectives	Criteria
Integrated LDSs	<p>Most RDP provide a list of topics:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Strengthening social cohesion• Improvement and creation of basic services• Creation of new income and employment opportunities• Fostering collaboration among various actors of the agriculture and nature protection fields• Supporting the handcraft and agro-food sectors for quality & sustainable local products	<p>Involvement of the key stakeholders in the partnership in relation to the objectives of the LDS</p> <p>Presence of all relevant local stakeholders</p>
Forestry LDSs	<p>More dynamic management of forests, where this is highly fragmented and is performed with inefficient or unsustainable practices</p>	<p>Presence of the relevant forestry actors in the partnership</p> <p>Involvement of local people</p>

M16.8 – Forest management plans (1)



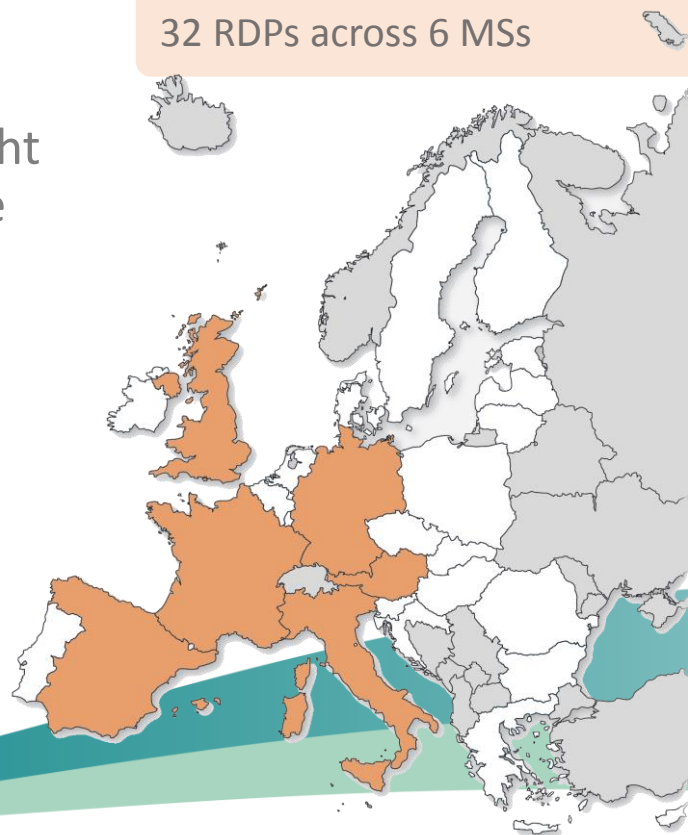
Objective:

Improve the forest management from an environmental, economic and social perspectives

Forest management plans :

- improving **environment**, **biodiversity**, the fight against climate change and to strengthen the bio-energy sector
- **strengthening the forestry sector**, in specific associations and cooperation, **small forest owners**
- role of forest for **social purposes** e.g. socio-cultural services for urban communities

32 RDPs across 6 MSs



M16.8 – Forest management plans (2)



Contribution P/FA	P4 - Ecosystems management P5 - Resource efficiency & climate P2 - Competitiveness
Linkages with Measures	M08 - Investments in forest areas M04 - Investments in physical assets M01 – Knowledge transfer
Costs	Feasibility studies, research, creation and implementation of the plan, Animation costs.
Cooperation group	<p>All actors form the forestry sector including associations and groupings, advisory services, research institutes, public bodies</p> <p>Groups of forest owners reaching a minimum number of ha from 10ha (FR-Franche Comte) to 100 ha (several IT RDPs).</p> <p>Different approaches: small owner, private owner, public owners</p>
More criteria	Location of the forests in protected areas e.g. Natura 2000

M16.9 – Diversification & social farming (1)



Approaches:

1. To bring social benefits in rural areas

- Mainly fostering social inclusion targeted to specific disadvantaged target groups
- Focusing on community cohesion

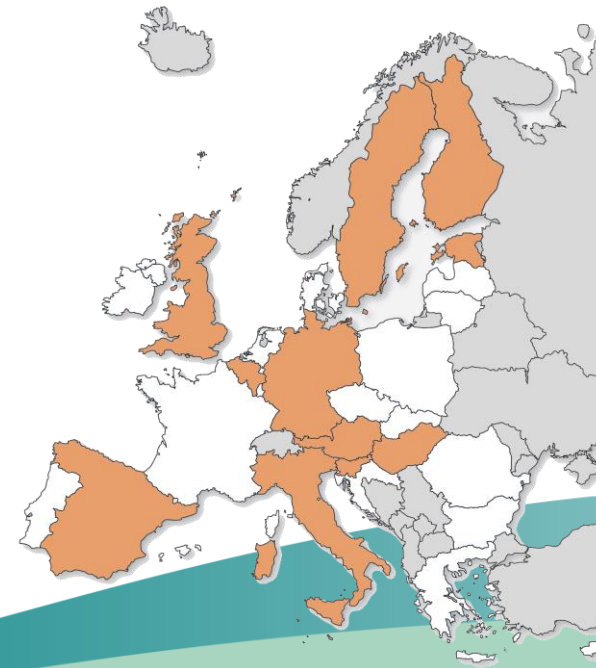
2. Economic benefits to rural holdings,

- Supporting diversification,
- Creation of new job opportunities

Very often:

Education & training activities to the wider population

29 RDPs across 3 MSs



M16.9 – Diversification & social farming (2)



Contribution P/FA	6A - Diversification & job creation 6B - Local development 2A - Farm's performance, restructuring and modernisation
Linkages with Measures	M04 - Investments in physical assets M06 - Investments in farm and business development 16.1 EIP
Cooperation group	At least two member, one must be a farmer or operator in the agriculture sector Also: involvement of specific social groups
More criteria	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Numerous cooperation groups• Creation of new economic activities and/or new social opportunities

M16.10 – Other forms of cooperation

9 RDPs across 7 MSs

AT	Set-up networks, clusters and cooperation among organisations cooperatives and industry/branch associations
ES-Andalucia	Studies for more efficient small agro-food enterprises
FI-Mainland	Innovation in the bio-economy sector
FR-Champagne Ardenne	Fostering collaboration for employment in agriculture and forestry
IT-Basilicata, IT-Lazio & IT-Lombardia	Strengthening the supply chains in the agro-food and forestry sectors
PT-Mainland	Support to Inter-professional Organizations
UK-Scotland	Common Grazings Committees