

SC2 Coordinators Day

Crop Production

DiverIMPACTS
**Diversification through Rotation,
Intercropping, Multiple Cropping, Promoted
with Actors and Value Chains towards
Sustainability**

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RUR-06-2016: Crop diversification systems for the delivery of food, feed, industrial products and ecosystems services - from farm benefits to value-chain organisation

Scope A – Annual crops

- To **demonstrate benefits of crop diversification** at farm, value chain and territory levels
- To **co-design technical and organisational innovations** to stimulate crop diversification and co-learning
- To **remove barriers and promote enablers** to crop diversification at farm, value chain and territory levels
- To **develop comprehensive and long-term strategies** and tools to sustain crop diversification

Structure of DiverIMPACTS

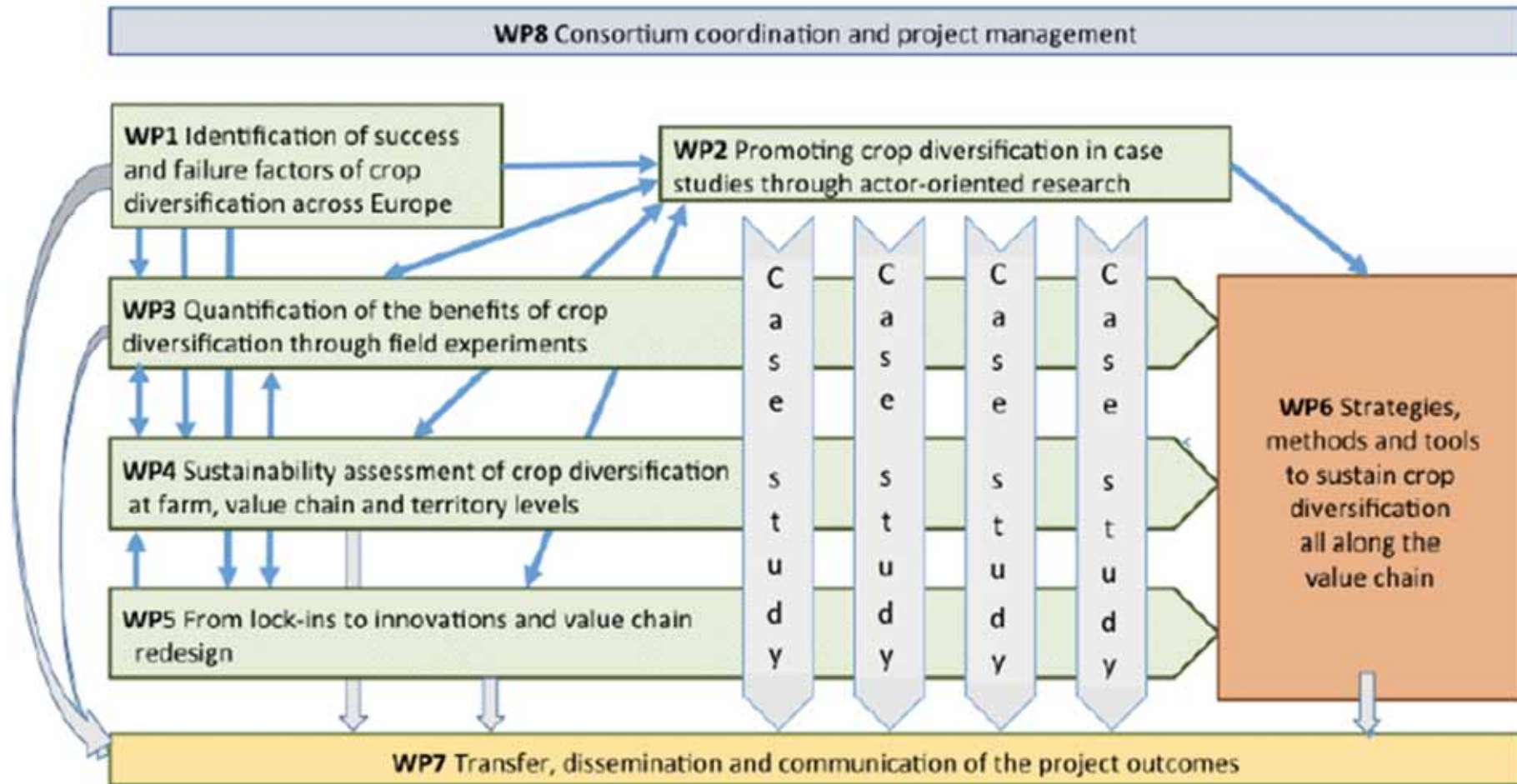
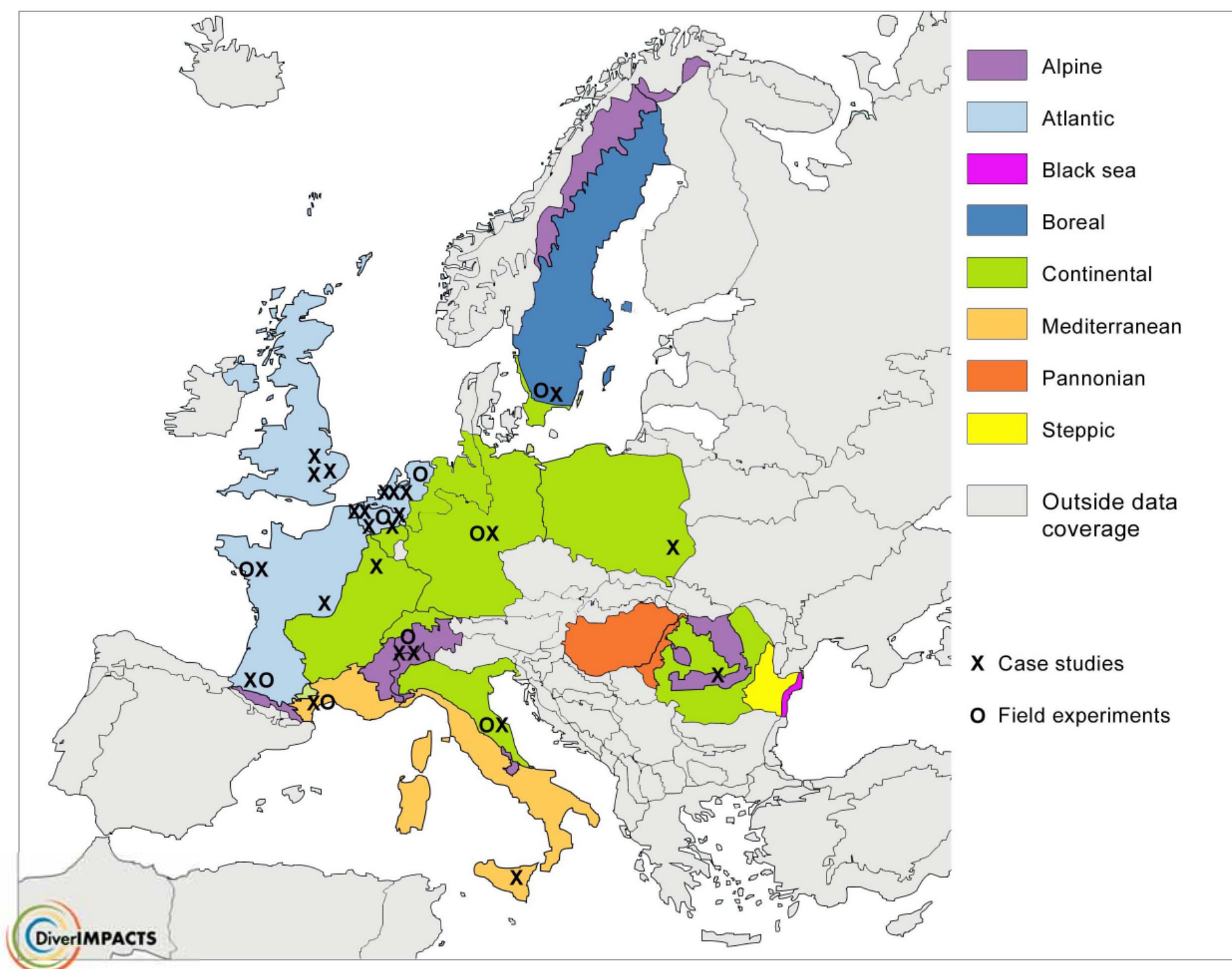


Figure 1. Operational structure of DiverIMPACTS



Achievements - Results

- **Success and failure factors** of crop diversification experiences;
- A **policy analysis and recommendations** for tailored policy instruments
- Direct and indirect impacts of crop diversification along the crop value chain.
- A **multi-criteria assessment tool** designed to assess benefits and drawbacks
- **Specifications of machinery** equipment that could help foster crop diversification;
- **Logistic and contractual schemes** as well as economic instruments;
- **Novel business models** resulting from crop diversification, short supply chains;
- **Innovative collaboration paths** between rural actors, from farmers to consumers
- An **open-access database** gathering the performances of crop diversification
- A **network of key actors and experts** of sociotechnical systems beyond the project;
- A **learning-for-innovation methodological platform** adapted to crop diversification;
- A **new training and education strategy** to enhance crop diversification;
- Set up a **long-term network of standardised Field Experiments** across Europe;
- Develop a **practical decision tree** to help actors assess benefits of crop diversification.

Consortium: 34 partners, 11 countries

- Farmers: AIDER, ERF, BZ
- Farmer organisations: LEAF, Socopro
- Farmer-funded advisory and research: APCA, ACTA, LWK, HS;
- Logistic providers/industry: BA, Agrosolutions, MR, Walagri
- Value chain and public engagement: ASR, Bioforum, Bionext, LEAF;
- R&D organisations: FIRAB, Inagro, OMKI, NSF, ORC, FiBL
- Public research: INRA, CRA-W, CREA, VTI, DLO, IUNG-PIB
- Research and education organisations: ESA, SLU, UCL, UvA, WU.

Communication and dissemination strategy

- Results (see achievements)
- All channels, including social media
- Close link with EIP (Practice abstracts)
- Link foreseen with JPI-FACCE and ERA-NET on Sustainable Crop Production

Link up with other projects to increase impact

- Contacts made and possible joint actions already discussed
 - RUR-06: Diverfarming
 - SFS-02: DIVERSify ,REMIX
 - SFS-26: LegValue, TRUE
- Contact made, joint actions to be discussed
 - SFS-31: SURE-Farm
 - SFS-06: IWMPRAISE
 - RUR-14: Agrilink
- Possible collaborative actions
 - Cross-participation to annual meetings
 - Share information on protocols and on case studies
 - Joint workshops on cross-cutting issues
 - Machinery
 - Harmonisation of indicators and Multicriteria assessment
 - Policies to foster crop diversification
 - Decision-support tools
 - Co-organise Include he DiverIMPACTS mid-term conference (end 2019-early 2020)

