

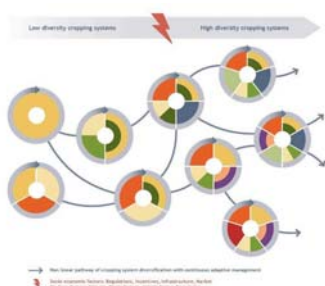
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Dear reader,

The DiverIMPACTS project, which ended in May, has worked to achieve the full diversification potential of cropping systems for improved productivity, delivery of ecosystem services and resource-efficient and sustainable value chains. The project was funded under Horizon 2020, the European Union's Research and Innovation programme.

We are pleased to share the tenth and final DiverIMPACTS newsletter with you, including key messages, results and tools from the project. Enjoy!

## Key messages from DiverIMPACTS



DiverIMPACTS has gathered a wide range of actors of the agri-food system to achieve the full potential of crop diversification. For five years, multi-actor approaches built around field experiments and case studies have generated original insights that can be mobilised to develop more sustainable value chains.

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## Final DiverIMPACTS conference paved the way to support agroecological transitions of agri-food systems through system approaches



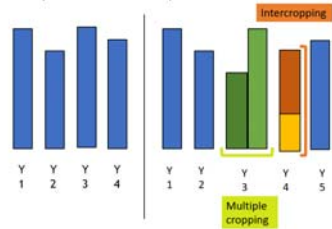
The DiverIMPACTS final conference has highlighted how systems approaches and multi-actor approaches can contribute to the development of environmentally sustainable agri-food systems, thus enabling us to face climate change, biodiversity loss and the current geopolitical situation.

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## Ingredients for successful crop diversification

Based on the results from the DiverIMPACTS field experiments covering a range of spatial and temporal

Increase yield both in time and space



diversification, we have identified key ingredients for successful crop diversification.

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## Visualising the results of a large-scale literature review and crop diversification experiences across Europe



Recent crop diversification experiences and scientific literature have been analysed using two different methodological approaches in DiverIMPACTS. The data and the results of these analyses are now publicly available through two updated web-based applications.

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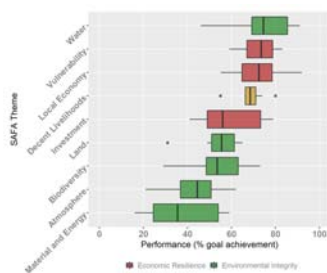
## Understanding anchoring processes in the DiverIMPACTS case studies



The 25 DiverIMPACTS case studies are developing and testing novel forms of crop diversification at the field, farm, value chain, and food system levels. As part of the DiverIMPACTS project, we analysed the ways in which six typical case studies have worked towards ‘anchoring’ their novelties in society.

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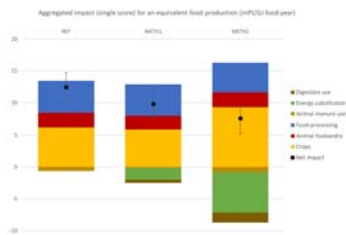
## A tool to assess the farm-level impacts of diversification



A farm-level “sustainability assessment tool” was developed by the DiverIMPACTS project to assess the benefits of farm diversification. The resulting SMART-Diversification Tool rates the level of diversification and sustainability performance of a farm. Results from the DiverIMPACTS project show key diversification practices as influential on overall performance, including good soil management, diversification of marketing channels, crop rotation length and the cultivation of rare/endangered crops.

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# Life cycle assessment in DiverIMPACTS: assessing the indirect effects of crop diversification



Life cycle assessment (LCA) from field to fork can be a useful method to assess the indirect effects of crop diversification. This can help guide the decisions made by value chain actors and policy makers, and support marketing by farmers and processors of agricultural products who wish to highlight the positive environmental performance of their products.

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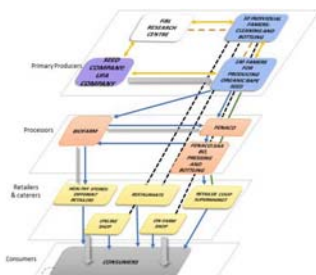
## The importance of coordination and tools to frame collaboration to develop crop diversification value chains



Barriers hindering the development of diversified cropping systems are found not only at the farm level but also at other stages of value chains. This is why coordination, with the aim of optimizing value chains, is paramount to support diversification.

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## Crop diversification through collaboration in value chains



Value chains are known for delivering products and services from conception to the end consumer. However, different types of collaborations and relationships in value chains are becoming pivotal to promote ancient varieties to final consumers as well as diversifying the landscape.

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## DiverIMPACTS practice abstracts



DiverIMPACTS has produced many practice abstracts focusing on topics ranging from agricultural techniques and how to diversify cropping systems to dissemination and enhancing actor networks. Practice abstracts are short, accessible factsheets that provide practical information in a common format.

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## DiverIMPACTS toolbox

A diversity of tools, resources and levers already exist to foster crop diversification. Whether you are a farmer, an advisor, an actor of the value chain or another actor, the DiverIMPACTS toolbox aims to help you identify the most relevant ones from our database.

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## The Legume Hub

The Legume Hub is a self-publishing knowledge platform for original articles, videos, images and viewpoints about Legumes. The platform promotes knowledge of legume use from cropping systems to consumption, important pieces in the complex puzzle of transitioning to more sustainable food systems.

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## Videos

DiverIMPACTS has produced a range of videos covering topics such as promoting local legumes, hemp production in Italy, the DiverIMPACTS toolbox, consumer perspectives on crop diversification and much more.

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## Policy briefs

The DiverIMPACTS policy brief highlight many of the key messages coming from the project and provide key policy recommendation to address challenges regarding crop diversification.

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