

## NEWSLETTER 02

### IMPLEMENTED ACTIVITIES IN 2012

During this second year, two project meetings and two capacity building workshops took place, and the first dissemination workshop on the future of AKIS in Europe was held in March 2012 in Brussels. The collaboration of each project partner with its LINSAs has entered an active phase – interactions such as workshops, interviews, etc.- and the comparative analysis between LINSAs has started.

[Proceedings of Brussels seminar](#)

### LATEST RESULTS

- *“Innovation can involve ‘taking an existing set of practices (e.g. farming activities) and introducing it into a new social environment’”, James Kirwan*  
*“The extent of network integration or connectedness, can be explained by a number of factors including: context, different stages of development, organisational arrangement, the level of shared interest and of mutual trust ”, Julie Ingram*
- *"I discovered that sharing ideas, information, practices with other people is a key to speed up innovation processes and make them cost effective in a field, sustainable agriculture, that is strongly knowledge intensive", Gianluca Brunori*

To know more on the results:

[Factsheet on the Analysis of a LINSAs,](#)

[Factsheet on the Approach and methodology in SOLINSA.](#)

### NEXT DISSEMINATION ACTIVITIES

In Autumn, an international training course “How to become a LINSAs facilitator?” will be organized. If you are interested to participate feel free to contact us!

[Contact on dissemination events](#)

In December 2013, SOLINSA, together with the project Farmpath, will organise its final conference in Brussels. It aims to explore how the SOLINSA results can contribute to a better definition and implementation of Horizon 2020, Entrepreneurship and Innovation Programme, the European Agricultural Fund for Rural Development and Farm Advisory System. If you are interested in participating feel free to contact us!

[Project Farmpath](#)

### THE PROJECT

SOLINSA is a three year research project, which started in February 2011. The aim is to understand how learning and innovation networks for sustainable agriculture (LINSAs) operate and can be supported. This newsletter presents the activities and results of the second year of the project.

To know more about the project: link to [the website](#)

