

NEWSLETTER 03

IMPLEMENTED ACTIVITIES IN 2013

The third and last year of the SOLINSA project was very intensive for the project partners. The interactions with LINSAs and the comparative analysis was completed. These results were discussed during the second dissemination workshop on the work with LINSAs in September in Riga (Latvia).

In October, an international training course "How to become a LINSAs innovation broker / transition partner" was organized in Paris (France). The concept of the course was adapted. It is based on the project results as well as the experiences of the participating trainees. It is strongly practice oriented.

The policy recommendations were developed during the year and were elaborated further during the joint final conference with the project [FarmPath](#) in December in Brussels (Belgium).

[Proceedings of Riga meeting](#)

[Concept of the training course for transition partners](#)

[Proceedings of the final conference](#)

LATEST RESULTS: POLICY RECOMMENDATIONS

- *"Policy recommendations were developed which refer to a direct support of LINSAs, to an improvement of the position of LINSAs in the AKIS – which means to interlink LINSAs with AKS – as well as to the support of actors working with LINSAs, so-called transition partners." - Stefan Burkart*
- *"Transition partners are persons supporting LINSAs with a learning and appreciating attitude. Depending on the support needs, transition partners might take up the role of facilitators, participatory researchers, boundary persons, trainers, experts or lecturers, intermediary persons as well as EIP innovation broker." - Simone Helmlé*

To know more on the results:

[Factsheet on policy recommendations](#)

[Factsheet on transition partners](#)

FINAL DISSEMINATION ACTIVITIES

The project is coming to an end officially the 31st of January 2014. Instead of a final leaflet an innovative presentation of the final results have been developed using Prezi. Moreover the website has been reorganised to find more easily the different results of the project (e.g. a map with all the LINSAs, documents to download). Final reports on the conceptual framework, the methods used and the final report, as well as a selection of scientific papers will be available on the SOLINSA website soon. Currently, a special issue for the Journal of Agricultural Education and Extension is being prepared and will assemble key scientific outputs from the project.

[Link to the SOLINSA Prezi](#)

[Link to the SOLINSA Website](#)

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THE PROJECT

SOLINSA was a three year research project, which ran from February 2011 to January 2014. The aim was 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 third and final year of the project.

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

