

Programme: EU-HORIZON 2020 Societal challenges - Food Security, Sustainable Agriculture and Forestry, Marine, Maritime and Inland Water Research and the Bioeconomy - 2014-2020

Call:

RUR-01-2018-2019

Topic/s:

a. [2019] Building resilient mountain value chains delivering private and public goods (RIA)

Actions shall carry out foresight analyses of the development of primary production and related value chains and ecosystems in mountainous areas[2], in the coming decades, looking in particular at the positive and negative effects of climate change, of changes in policies influencing these areas and of broader socio-economic drivers. The analysis shall benchmark production and land-use systems with regards to their capacity to sustainably improve performance and resilience under changing climate and broader conditions while securing public goods provision for uplands and lowlands, taking into account interactions across scales (field, territories and ecosystems) and sectors. Particular attention shall be paid to new or emerging products or practices which could develop sustainably under more favourable climatic conditions. Activities shall cover a variety of situations representing the diversity of environmental and socio-economic conditions in European mountains as well as the diversity of mountain crop, livestock and forest-based products and value chains. Public engagement of stakeholders in the activities will be key to securing relevant results. Activities shall assess whether current policy approaches are fit for the future and shall deliver a set of renewed policy options, backed by a prior assessment of their possible impacts and accompanied by practical tools and recommendations to i) modernise relevant policy instruments available at EU and other governance levels (with a particular focus on CAP, quality policy, regional policy, climate and environment policies and innovation policy tools), ii) adapt value chain development strategies, and iii) secure long-term public good provision.

b. [2019] Rural society-science-policy hub (CSA)

Actions shall set up a knowledge and policy hub that engages policy makers, scientists, stakeholders and rural dwellers locally with the objectives to: i) take stock of past and on-going rural research; ii) translate outcomes into attractive and easily understandable tools for policy makers and citizens (serving in particular strategic thinking around post-2020 EU policies); iii) conduct public engagement activities contributing to future rural policy and research policy design; and iv) explore avenues for longer-term science-society-policy interfaces. Activities shall synthesize and capitalise on the outputs and results of relevant past and on-going rural research projects, including at least those funded under EU framework programmes for research and innovation in the last fifteen years, and consider integrating toolboxes and datasets used within these projects. Communication products and tools valorising useful rural knowledge shall bring real adding-value content to the different society and policy target groups in various countries and languages. The use of

multimedia is encouraged. Public engagement activities shall involve rural dwellers, policy-makers and other business, social innovation or community actors at various geographic levels in a representative and balanced set of geographical and socio-economic situations across the EU, including coastal areas. Building on knowledge made accessible by a wide range of projects and on outcomes of foresight activities under other actions funded through this topic or other programmes, public engagement activities shall result in concrete proposals to renew policy instruments that impact rural areas at various levels, as well as an agenda for future research activities matching rural citizens' needs. Close cooperation and networking activities with relevant networks and platforms and with all the relevant on-going projects will be needed throughout the project. The duration of the project and the planning of its activities shall take into account the need for participatory activities contributing to the preparation of the implementation of future EU policies impacting rural areas.

Beneficiaries: Local public authority; Regional public authority; National public authority; Sectorial agency; Infrastructure and (public) service provider; Interest groups including NGOs; Higher education and research; Education/training centre and school; Start up; Large enterprise, enterprise excluding SME; SME; Business support organisation; EGTC; General public; International organization, EEIG under national law

AG1 priority fields: Agriculture; Forestry

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