

**Work package 6:
Identification and prioritisation of
collaborative R&D**

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WP6: Objectives

1. To identify and prioritise possible topics for future research which are of common interest to all or some of the ERA-Net partners.
2. To identify research areas where increased cooperation between national or regional programmes could bring major synergies and progress.
3. To assess the level of interest amongst the ERA-Net partners in co-funding projects.

WP6: Objectives

4. To provide recommendations to the ERA-NET on how legal, organisational and administrative barriers for joining activities between national and regional research programmes could be addressed.
5. To make recommendations on best practice within research programmes.
6. To assess opportunities for specific joint research programmes and utilisation of common research facilities. To prioritise future research topics and describe the type and extent of transnational collaboration that is likely to occur.

WP6: Deliverables

- **D6.1: Report providing list of topics, which require new research (Spring 2006)**
- **D6.2: Matrix showing research priorities (Spring/Summer 2007)**
- **D6.3: Plans for funding collaboration in relation to 6.2. (Summer 2007)**

D6.1 - Report providing list of topics which require new research

- **List of R&D needs**
 - ERA-Net partners' research strategy/R&D programme documents, Country reports, WP3/WP4 info, workshop March 2006
 - Research topics supported by 3+ partners
 - Crop/livestock production, farming systems, environment/natural resources, socio-economics, food, standards, knowledge transfer
 - Transnational effort – Many potential research areas highlighted
- **Prioritised topics (score 1-3) to inform WP7 first call**
 - Animal disease and parasite management
 - Quality of organic food
 - Innovative marketing strategies

D6.2 - Matrix showing research priorities

- **List of R&D needs updated**
 - **Re-prioritisation August 2007 (score 1-3)**
 - Changes in research priorities
 - WP7 call
 - **All partners interested in co-funding projects**
 - **Highest priority topics (11 scored >21)**
 - Impact of organic farming on the environment
 - Effectiveness/scale of national policies
 - Animal disease/parasite management
 - Food quality/consumer attitudes/systems research
 - **10 additional research areas scored 3 by >3 partners**

D6.3 - Plans for funding collaboration in relation to 6.2

- **Priority topics for each country analysed and potential collaboration opportunities identified**
 - Impact of organic farming on the environment
 - Denmark, Finland, Germany, Norway, Sweden, Switzerland, UK
 - Effectiveness/scale of national policies
 - Denmark, France, Italy, Norway, Sweden, Netherlands, UK
 - Animal disease/parasite management
 - Austria, Denmark, France, Germany, Sweden, Switzerland, UK
- **Potential collaborators identified for all 21 topics with 3+ partners scoring 3**
- **Partners asked to discuss funding opportunities**

Next Steps

- Discussions between partners to agree funding
- Interested partners develop mutually acceptable project specifications
- Agree how to let/coordinate research
- WP4 report – opportunities for collaboration
- Legal/organisational/administrative barriers
 - National funding restricted to own research establishments; defining research outputs

Conclusions and Recommendations

- All CORE partners interested in collaborating
- Research priorities and potential partners identified
- Funding arrangements/project specifications to be agreed by interested partners
- Overcoming barriers
 - Alignment of national investment to common research needs
 - Projects funded individually, managed at national level
 - Partner to identify procurement method
 - WP7 report
- External stakeholder engagement to inform research needs (OF0350)

Further Questions?

- Additional information to include in WP6 report?
- Level of detail on funding agreements for future research?