



The European Innovation Partnership „Agricultural Productivity and Sustainability“ Moving Agriculture Ahead!



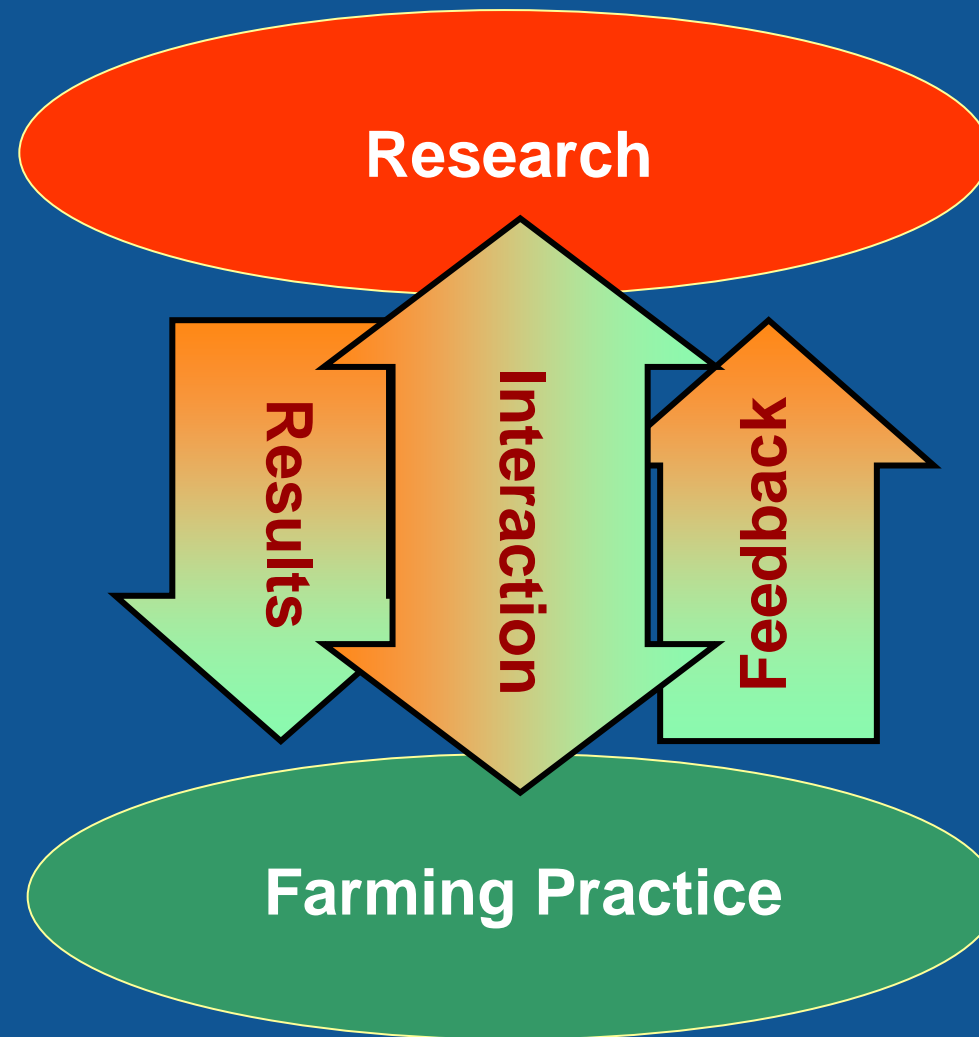
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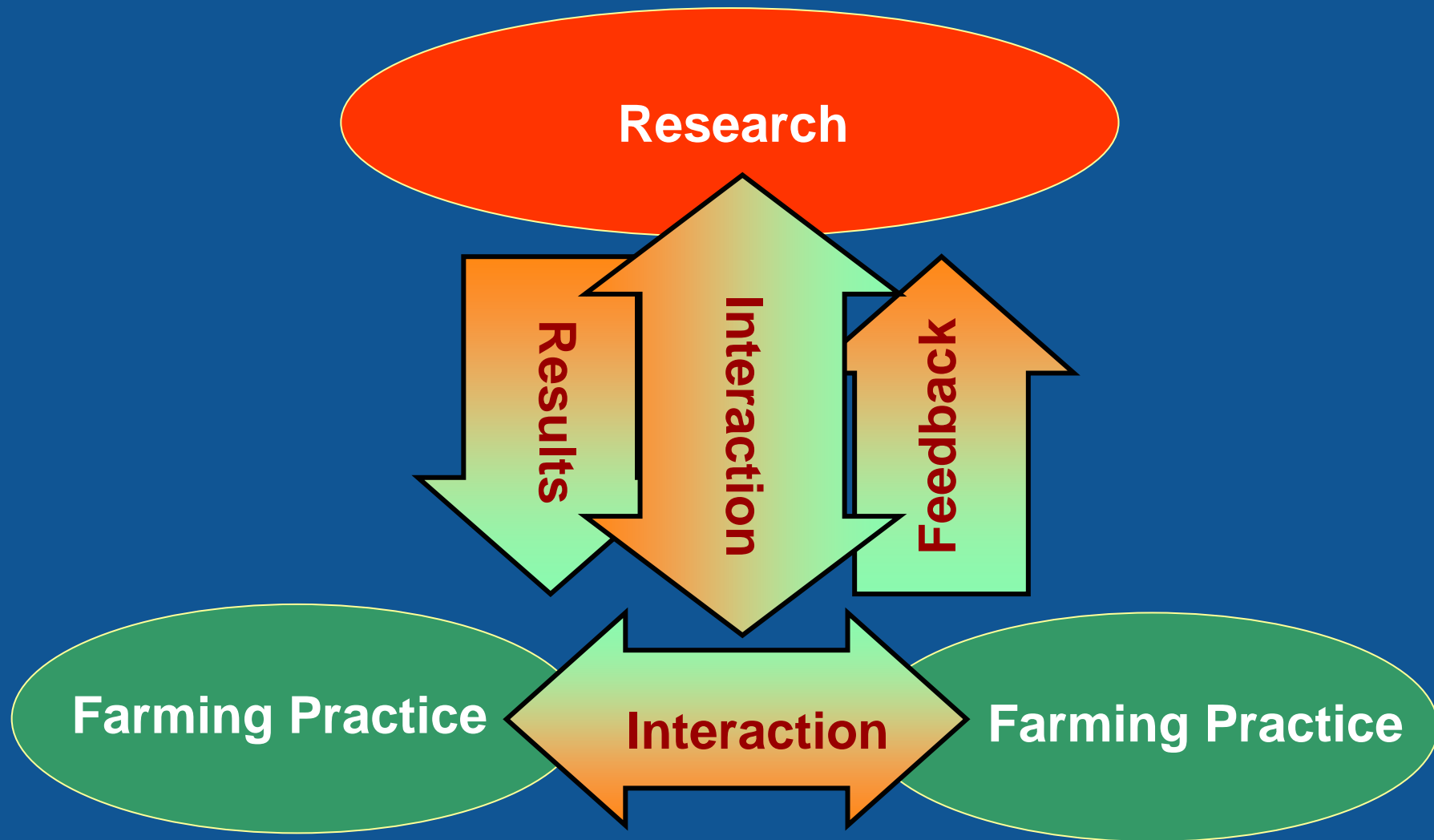
The specific case of agri-innovation

- Challenges to the sector
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 - Atomised sector - differentiated
 - Low Capital intensity
 - Skills and knowledge based development
 - A well-established policy/funding framework
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- Strong starting point: core elements up and running
 - Need to go beyond linear lab-to-market approach
 - EIP based on interactive innovation model and knowledge exchange

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General Principles

The EIP shall provide challenge-driven solutions based on:

- **interlinking** existing innovation-related measures and initiatives
- **facilitating** communication among stakeholders and creating workable links between science and practice
- providing EU value added through networking and enhancing **complementarity**
- achieving **synergies** and enhancing effectiveness of existing instruments
- using a **lean governance** structure, based on **existing** mechanisms



Means

Rural Development Programmes:

- Establishing "**operational groups**" involving farmers, advisors, agribusiness, research, and NGOs
- **Bottom-up approach** towards defining composition and operational purpose of a respective operational groups
- Requirement of establishing **plan on expected results and sharing results** within EIP network

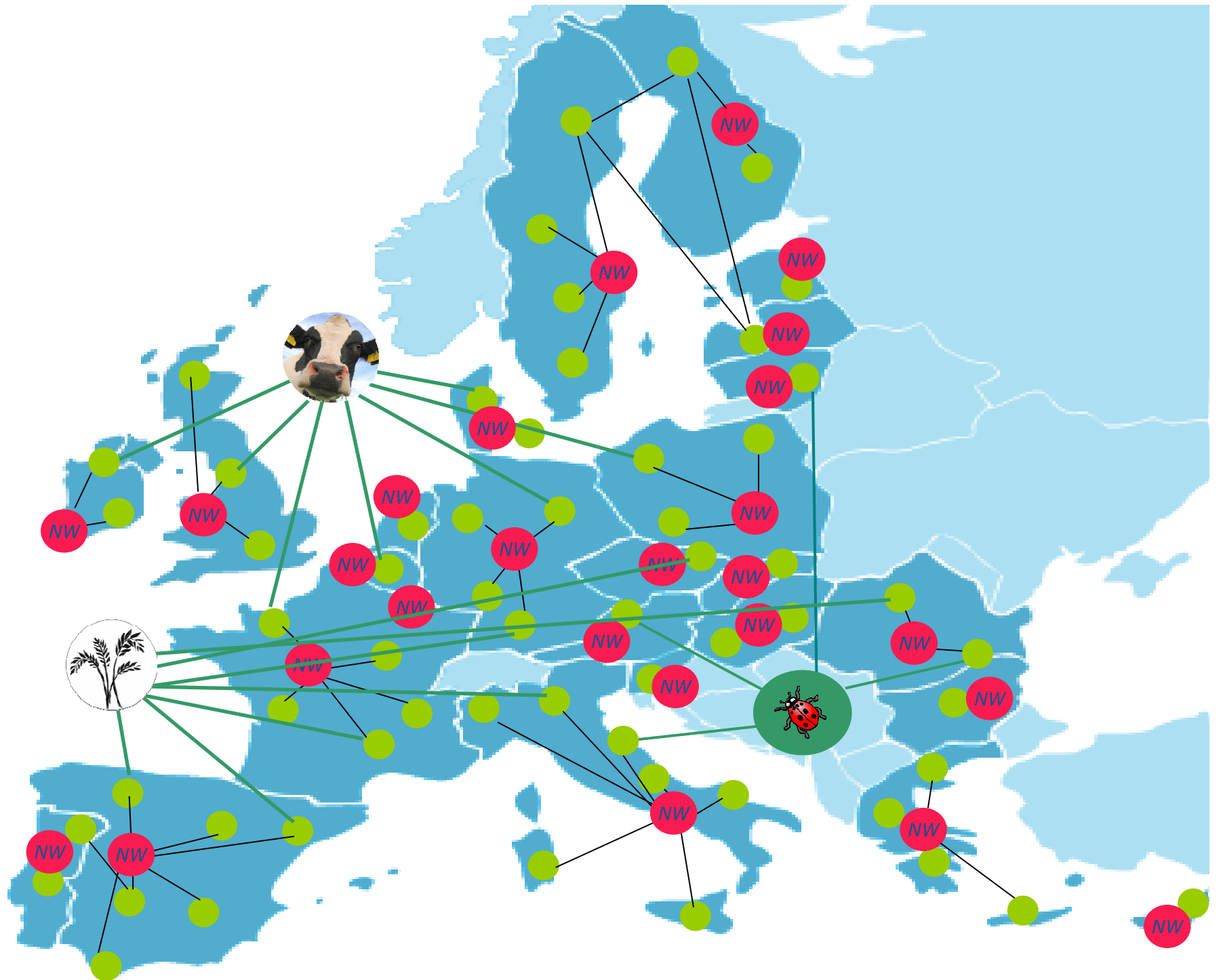
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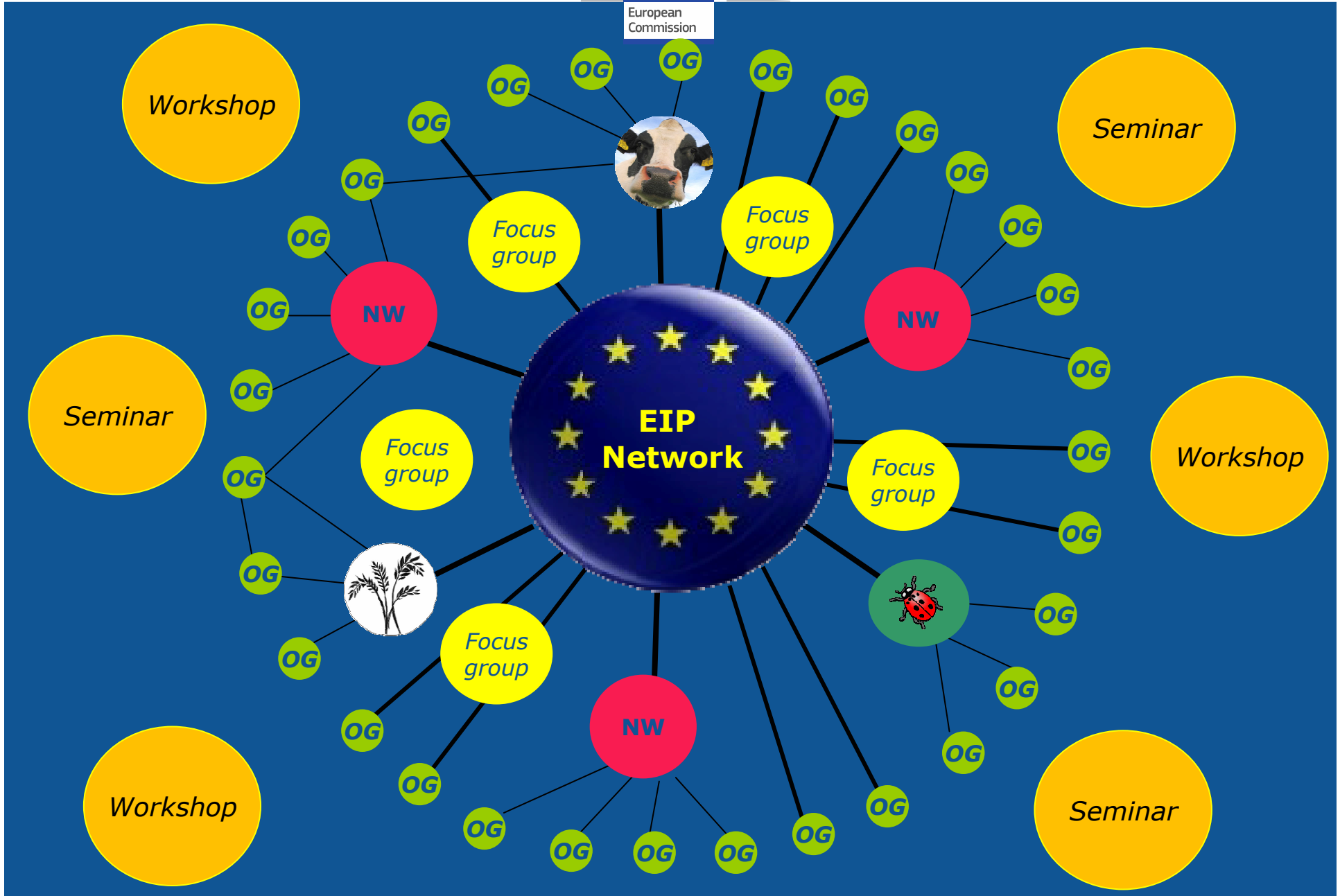
- **Research projects**, including on-farm experiments to provide the knowledge base for innovative actions
- **Practice-oriented formats** such as multi-actor projects, innovation brokers and centres, and thematic networks

Key Acting Entities Within the EIP

- Operational Groups -









Key dates and Time table

- *29 Feb 2012: Communication EIP*
- *18 Jun 2012: Council conclusions EIP*
- *31 Aug 2012: Tender for Network support publ*
- *15 Oct 2012: Evaluation of Tender*
- *19 Nov 2012: EIP Stakeholder event -250 part*
- *6-7 Dec 2012: RD programming seminar for MA*

- *15 Jan 2013: First meeting Sherpas of Steering Board*
- *21 Feb 2013: First meeting Steering Board (tbc)*
- *1st half 2013: Adoption SIP*
- *1st half 2013: Commission Communication on SIP*
- *1st quarter 2013: Launch of Network Facility/Service Point*
- *2014: Implementation RD/HZ2020*

