

Agenda

Second EU multi-actor working group workshop

13 January 2025 - Online from 10.00 – 1.00h (CET)

Led by [AEIDL](#), the EU multi-actor working group [first workshop](#) was held on 23 May 2024, bringing together over 60 participants from 21 countries, representing diverse backgrounds. This workshop aimed to present and discuss the current [BEATLES project](#) results linked to the policy development.

On the back of the [Political Guidelines](#) for the next European Commission 2024-2029, the [final report](#) of the Strategic Dialogue for the Future of Agriculture and the upcoming Vision for Agriculture and Food, **this second EU multi-actor working group workshop aims to co-design solutions and EU policy recommendations to expand Climate-Smart Agriculture (CSA) towards 2030 and 2040.**

| Timing | Agenda item | Facilitator |
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| 10.00 – 10.10 | Welcome session | Serafin Pazos-Vidal, AEIDL |
| 10.10 – 10.30 | Latest results of the BEATLES project | Marilena Gemtou, Agricultural University of Athens |
| 10.30 – 10.45 | CAP support in BEATLES Use Cases: policy barriers and opportunities for advancing Climate-Smart Agriculture | Blanca Casares, AEIDL |
| 10.45 – 11.45 | <p>Participants insights – practical exercise</p> <p>Participants will work in groups of 2-4 experts utilising a policy hackathon methodology. Based on a series of challenge statements, participants will brainstorm and develop their proposed solutions, which will encompass the following elements: (i) Collective knowledge and (ii) Solution development.</p> | All participants working in pairs |
| 11.45 – 12.00 | Coffee Break | |
| 12.00 – 12.15 | EU policy landscape for agriculture: The vision and preparation for the new CAP | Ricard Ramon i Sumoy, DG AGRI |
| 12.15 – 12.50 | Plenary discussion | All participants |
| 12.50 – 1.00 | Closing remarks | Serafin Pazos-Vidal, AEIDL |

Policy Hackathon exercise methodology

This session is design to gather a diverse group of experts from various disciplines linked to Climate-Smart Agriculture in order to develop solutions to the proposed challenges by harnessing their collective intelligence and brainstorming.

A **group of approximately 36 participants** have been selected, allowing for **11 groups to work simultaneously**. All contributions are confidential and will be anonymised and will not be understood as representing any individual person or organisation.

The proposed challenge statements are:

- **Challenge statement 1:** How might we support farmers at the farm level to adopt and implement climate-smart agricultural practices effectively?
- **Challenge statement 2:** How might we support policy-makers in the design and implementation of public policies that favour climate-smart agricultural management effectively?

Participants will engage in group discussions to address only one selected challenge and complete the following sections:

- **Collective knowledge:** understanding and insights into previous efforts, initiatives, and actions taken that participants are knowledgeable about or are aware.
- **Solution development:** concise, practical, and innovative recommendations that could be used by BEATLES project to check against project findings and potentially develop them into formal policy recommendations. These recommendations need to be realistically implemented by 2030 and/or 2040.

The session will feature two presentations highlighting the project's research findings to date, focusing on farmer segmentation and the implications for adopting Climate-Smart Agriculture (CSA) practices within the framework of the CAP Strategic Plans across the five Use Cases. Additionally, Ricard Ramon i Sumoy from DG AGRI will provide key insights into the EU agricultural policy landscape, offering a vision and preparation for the new CAP.

Overview of the workshops of the EU multi-actor working group:

- [1st Workshop](#): Factors influencing the adoption of Climate-Smart Agriculture (23 May 2024)
- **2nd Workshop: EU policy recommendations to expand CSA towards 2030 and 2040 (11 December 2024).**
- 3rd Workshop: validation and design of policy tools for CSA transition (1st Quarter 2025)
- 4th Workshop: discussion and validation of project behavioural knowledge and replicability of the generated approaches in the context of the group participants using the recommendations and the toolbox. (4th Quarter 2025)