



Smart sensor systems 4 agri-food

**Working Committee
Semi-annual Meeting
11th June 2018, Seinajoki, Finland**

Overall objective

Prepare all the agri-food companies to make the leap towards industry 4.0:



- Introduce new technologies and inspire and enable the companies to use these
- Connect to the cloud
- Use the available data in the agri-food system

...and in the end ...

Become a more interconnected, resilient and smart agri-food system in Europe

Specific objectives

- Set-up a network of **interlinked**, **open access** **living labs** to facilitate the implementation of smart sensor systems in the agri-food industry:
 - Staffed with competent, multidisciplinary teams
 - Facilitate awareness creation, give demonstrations, trainings and workshops
- Establish support services for business creation and technology intelligence
- Develop generic business models that can facilitate concrete, interregional investments and investment projects



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Progress of our partnership to date

- Meeting with the partnership (21/02/'18) – Objectives:
 - Getting to know each other better
 - Presentation draft scoping note + discussion
 - COSME and Innosup-project
- Workshop in the framework of the EU Industry Days (22/02/'18):
"Upgrading EU Agri-food Industry to the Digital Age: Smart Sensor Systems 4 the Agri-Food Industry"



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- Workshop EU Industry Days – brainstorm:
 - Group 1: Valorisation and implementation strategy
 - Group 2: EU funding programs: opportunities and needs
 - Group 3: Regional strategies and role of living labs
 - Group 4: Good practices and bottlenecks: case studies→ Input used in the scoping note
- Scoping note finalized:
 - Scoping note = first step: overview of regional strategies, regional expertise and know-how and regional priorities for co-operation

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- Project proposals submitted:
 - COSME - European strategic cluster partnerships for smart specialisation investments - COS-CLUSTPARTNS-2017-3-02 – Submitted: 8/03/'18:
 - Connsensys: **Connecting smart sensor systems** for the food industry
 1. Strategy and roadmap development
 2. Establishing an interregional platform of living labs + organise study visits and matchmaking events
 3. Set-up inter-regional demo cases and elaborate generic business models
 4. Awareness creation towards agri-food industry + building strong community

Progress of our partnership to date

- Project proposals submitted:
 - INNOSUP-01-2018-2020: Cluster facilitated projects for new industrial value chains – first stage submitted: 12/04/'18:
 - S3Food: Smart sensor systems for food safety, quality control and resource efficiency in the food processing industry
 - Building further on COSME project
 - Establishing support mechanisms for SMEs → facilitate access to network of regional agri-food smart sensor living labs

5 steps to success

- 1 Awareness
- 2 Building trust zone:
Community creation
- 3 Validation track:
Define
Test / validate
- 4 Implementation
- 5 Leverage

Existing and new industry 4.0 relevant technologies: TRL 5 - 9
→ Demand driven (agri-food) and implementation oriented

Platform creation with:
Companies (cross-sectoral), cluster organizations, RTO's

Collective, applied research
→ on site validation of technology

Concrete investment projects

Bilateral projects (implementation oriented)

New research topics

Living labs + testimonials



Missing partners
→ Build resilient and interconnected agrifood system

Planning in terms of demo cases and potential business cases

- Slow process: creation of trust zone → cross-organizations + cross-chain + cross-sector
- Involve all the relevant stakeholders: from 'problem owner' over 'technology supplier' to 'system integrator' and 'machine builder'

Achieved this on regional level (regional projects/funding)
→ investment projects, etc.

Interregional: still to be set-up

Steps to be taken defined in COSME + Innosup (Go/no go)

Challenges

- Solved:
 - Noses in the same direction – goals are clear – solid common ground
 - Via discussions and meetings in the framework of COSME and Innosup project
- Existing bottlenecks and/or challenges:
 - Big upfront time and resources investment → especially for the lead region
 - Sometimes difficult to motivate the regions / organizations to actively participate
 - Should establish and agree on governance structure
 - Funding is crucial for continuity of the partnership

Future plans

- Detailed mapping with focus on:
 - Business needs and challenges
 - Existing technology providers (academia, companies)
 - Business advisory services and funding mechanisms
- Start discussion about governance structure
- Fall 2018: start developing business model and financial plan to provide a robust framework for future joint activities
 - ⇒ Foresee meeting
- Strategy building and roadmap development
- Defining and establishing network of living labs