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The overall objective of CASA, a Coordination and Support Action (CSA), is a **consolidated common agricultural and wider bioeconomy research agenda** within the European Research Area.

CASA will achieve this by bringing the Standing Committee on Agricultural Research (SCAR), which has already contributed significantly to this objective in the past, to the next level of performance as a research policy think tank. CASA will efficiently strengthen the strengths and compensate for the insufficiencies of SCAR and thus help it evolve further into “SCAR plus”.

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Abbreviations:

ARCH: European Agricultural Research towards greater impact on global CHallenges

AKIS: Agricultural Knowledge and Information Systems

CASA: Common Agricultural and wider bioeconomy research Agenda

CWG: Collaborative Working Group

EJP: European Joint Programme

ERA-Net: European Research Area Network

JPI: Joint Programming Initiative

JPI FACCE: Joint Programming Initiative on Agriculture, Food Security and Climate Change

JPI HDHL: Joint Programming Initiative on Healthy Diet for a Healthy Life

MS: Member States

NCP: National Contact Point

SCAR: Standing Committee on Agricultural Research

SC2: Societal challenge 2

SWG: Strategic Working Group

The Deliverable D4.17 sums up the results from the national mirror-groups.

Introduction:

In order to better disseminate the SCAR activities at a national level, some Member States have decided to set up national mirror-groups where SCAR issues are addressed.

The first Member States which have set up a national SCAR mirror-group are France and Portugal so far. But CASA aims at developing those mirror-groups in other Member States in order to better disseminate SCAR activities.

Terms of Reference:

Task 4.4: MS-driven dissemination

The expected outcomes of the national mirror-groups are a better involvement of interested national stakeholders in SCAR activities and to better disseminate SCAR outputs at national level in order to reach a wide range of actors in the Member States.

The task leader is Portugal (INIAV) and the French Ministry of Agriculture and Food (MAA) is contributor.

Subtask 4.4.3:

The potential use of national mirror-groups will be analysed and support given to those where there is an interest in. This aims at demonstrating and informing about SCAR activities of the SCAR SWGs and CWGs. The minutes of those national meetings will be sent to the task leader and collated to document lessons learnt. NCPs can potentially be a dissemination channel. Universities, national laboratories and other research institutes will be involved in gathering stakeholders and promoting multilateral discussion groups and information sessions.

I SCAR France = the French SCAR mirror-group

The French SCAR mirror-group is composed of SCAR representatives from the different SCAR groups, representatives from the JPIs (FACCE ...), from ERA-Nets, from the Ministry of Research, the Ministry of Agriculture, from the EJPs (Zoonoses, Soils ...).

This year the first SCAR France took place in Paris on June 6th 2017.

This agenda of the meeting can be found at the end of the report (see ANNEX: AGENDA OF THE SCAR -FRANCE meeting on June 6th of 2017).

Following topics were discussed (see agenda attached):

- News from SCAR: SCAR Plenary, Food 2030 ...
- News from the Programme Committee
- News from JPIs, ERA-nets: FACCE, WATER, HDHL, EJP Zoonoses
- News from each SCAR group: Fish, Food systems, ARCH, AKIS, Forest
- The 5th SCAR Foresight project
- News from CASA and support from WP4

The SCAR groups need the support of CASA for developing and disseminating their activities. All chairs of the SCAR groups have been contacted by the WP4 leader and they will provide input by the end of the year to have a greater impact on stakeholders.

At the end of the meeting an agreement was reached between French SCAR members on defining a national strategy.

II The SCAR mirror-group in Portugal

France has set up a national SCAR mirror-group and Portugal starts working with SCAR groups and wants to further enlarge their composition for other related stakeholders. But CASA aims at developing those mirror-groups in other Member States.

The Portuguese SCAR group is composed of SCAR delegates and representatives of AKIS and FISH working groups of the National Funding Agency (FCT) and NCPs of SC2 H2020.

The Portuguese SCAR group meeting took place in Lisbon on November 11th 2016.

The main topic discussed was the identification of tools for increase the effectiveness of SCAR national representation through:

- i) Increase capacity to collect national information (mapping) to provide to SCAR working groups and plenary. Identification of the interlocutors - who in Portugal can benefit from the SCAR information?
- ii) Increase capacity to disseminate SCAR activities and publications to higher education institutions, companies and other stakeholder's. FCT home page can deliver SCAR/CASA information.
- iii) Better articulation with other national groups (eg Rural Development Program, National Rural Network/EIP Agri, Thematic Area of Innovation/Centers of Competence, BlueBioAlliance, PortugalFoods);
- iv) Joint actions with other Member States (e.g France, Spain).

It was decided that the composition of the SCAR mirror-group would be defined at a forthcoming meeting in 2017.

Conclusion:

CASA will support SCAR by setting up other SCAR mirror-groups in Member States and is going to contact other countries in order to set up such groups which are able to disseminate SCAR activities at national level.

ANNEX: AGENDA OF THE SCAR – FRANCE meeting on June 6th of 2017

Réunion SCAR FR 06/06/2017 à 14h00

DGER, 19 av du Maine, salle CERES (bat B)

1) Accueil, objectifs de la réunion : CK/EV (5 min)

Objectifs :

- rassembler les interlocuteurs du dispositif FR sur le PC SC2, les JPI/EJP et les groupes de travail du SCAR
- favoriser le partage d'informations
- améliorer la coordination : clarifier les objectifs collectifs et les mandats individuels
- Actualités du SCAR, éléments de calendrier (prochain SCAR Plenary, Food 2030, etc.) : EV/CK (10 min)
- rappel rapide des objectifs et fonctionnement du SCAR
- principaux éléments du calendrier (à voir avec EK et VD pour PC SC2)

2) Actualités du Programme Committee SC2, état des lieux des initiatives en cours (premiers résultats 2017, work program 2018-2020, projets d'Eranets, etc.) :

E. Klein, V. Dehaudt, F. Lapeyrie (15 min)

Actualité des JPI/EJP (50 min):

EJP Zoonoses (D. Jestin)

FACCE (I. Albouy),

EJP Soils (JF Soussana)

WATER (P. Flammarion),

HDHL (B. Darcy-Vrillon),

3) Tour de table et actualités des SWG et CWG du SCAR par les membres présents (45 min) :

- Food systems (M. Axelos)
- AKIS (A. Guichaoua)
- ARCH (P. Petithuguenin)
- Fish (P. Moguedet)
- Sustainable Animal production (JL Peyraud ?)
- Forestry (CK/EV pour J. M. Carnus)
- Bioéconomie (CK/EV pour J. Dugué)
- Projet de 5th SCAR Foresight : EV (10 min)

4) Discussion collective (30 min)