

## **Background and brief history SCAR (Member States driven)**

 1974 Regulation of the EU Council;
 Coordination of agricultural research in scope of the Common Agricultural Policy

 2005 Revised mandate; reflecting change to the scope of agricultural research agendas; provision of advice to European Commission and EU Member States

> » Coordination and collaboration with KBBE-NET (Knowledge-Based Bio-Economy Network)



## Background and brief history KBBE-NET (European Commission driven)

 2005 Third annual progress report of the Life Science and Biotechnology Strategy published in 2005:

The Commission will ... "establish a network with EU Member States to help coordinate the development and implementation of a European research policy for a Knowledge-Based Bio-Economy in coordination with the Standing Committee on Agricultural Research".

Main role: Support the Commission and Member States

towards the building of a Knowledge-Based

Bio-Economy in Europe

 End 2011 KBBE-NET dissolved; SCAR to cover the whole Bioeconomy; Bioeconomy Observatory, ...



## **SCAR** developments Reflection Paper 1/2

Reflection Paper on the
Role of the Standing
Committee on Agricultural
Research;

Chapter 5: Meeting the challenges - adapting to a changing landscape





### **SCAR** developments Reflection Paper 2/2

 Option 1: Limit focus to activities addressed by the Committee pre-2012 in recognition of the constraints on resources of both the European Commission, the Member and Associated Countries.



- Option 2: Continuing the current approach a resource constrained evolution of SCAR in response to a changing landscape ("business as usual").
- **Option 3:** Building on option 2, extending towards a stronger strategic role based on the availability of more resources.
- Option 4: Building on option 3, extending towards a wider input to all areas of the Bio-economy relating



## Horizon 2020 Societal Challenge 2 CSA & CASA developments

- 2015 Drafting and inclusion of a Coordination and Support Action topic in the Work Programme 2016-2017
- Mid-2015 First discussions about scope and structure
- 11/2015 Core group (SCAR Steering Group discussion) (WUR (DLO), APS (Ministry of Environment and Food through AU), MAAF, JUELICH)
- 07-08 Grant Preparation Phase
- 09/2016 Official start of CASA (signed October 2016)
- 11/2016 Kick Off, Task 2.1 Workshop



### **SCAR** developments bi-annual SCAR Workplan and CASA

- 2015/16 Development of a rolling bi-annual SCAR workplan for 2016 and 2017;
- End 2016 Discussion and adoption in SCAR Plenary
- 08/2018 Aligning CASA Workplan to SCAR Workplan, supporting the whole breadth of SCAR, support to implementation and adjustment of SCAR Workplan
- 09/2018 Self-reliant support body
  - future (financed by Members of SCAR)



### CASA Aim, Work Packages and Structures 1/5

### **Specific CASA objectives:**

- Increased and broadened participation, interaction and collaboration of Member States and Associated Countries with each other and also with the Directorate-Generals (DG) of the European Commission
- Improved quality of outputs and outcomes of SCAR based on an increased and broadened participation facilitated by CASA
- Strengthening the production of more strategic policy advice within the evolving landscape of the broader bio-economy based on an increased and broadened participation facilitated by CASA
- Improved overall organisation, communication and dissemination of SCAR activities, outputs and outcomes for greater impact



### CASA Aim, Work Packages and Structures 2/5

#### **CASA Work Packages for reaching the Specific Objectives**

**WP5 Coordination and Management** 

WP1 Representativeness

WP2

Added Value and Improved Quality for Greater Impact WP3

Strengthening Strategic
Advice

**CASA** activities

WP4

Communication and Dissemination

**Strategic Working Groups** 

Agricultural Knowledge and Innovation Systems **Collaborative Working Groups** 

Sustainable Animal Production

**Foresight Group** 

Other activities, ad-hoc groups, task forces

**SCAR** activities

### CASA Aim, Work Packages and Structures 3/5







#### **Expected Impacts**

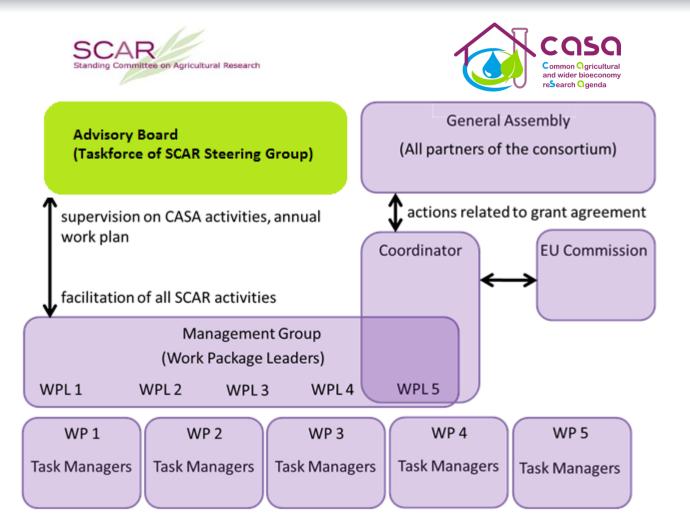
A more efficient European Innovation Partnership (EIP) on Agricultural Productivity and Sustainability and Agricultural/Bioeconomy Knowledge and Innovation Systems.

Identification of potential measures to support the development of the bioeconomy in the European Research Area

A detailed and robust picture of the EU strengths and weaknesses in the common agricultural and wider bioeconomy research and innovation fields



## CASA Aim, Work Packages and Structures 4/5





## CASA Aim, Work Packages and Structures 5/5

#### Work Package Leader

	Participan t No.	Participant organisation legal name	Short name in proposal	Country
WPL 5	1 (CO)	Forschungszentrum Jülich Project Management Jülich (PtJ)	JUELICH	Germany
WPL 1	2	Stichting Dienst Landbouwkundig Onderzoek; change of legal structure and name to WUR	DLO Now WUR	The Netherlands
WPL 3	3	Bundesanstalt für Landwirtschaft und Ernährung	BLE	Germany
WPL 4	4	Ministere de L'Agriculture de L'Agroalimentaire et de la Foret	MAAF	France
WPL 2	5	Aarhus Universitet	AU	Denmark
	6	TEAGASC - Agriculture and Food Development Authority	TEAGASC	Ireland
	7	Ministero della Salute	МОН	Italy
	8	Eigen Vermogen van het Instituut voor Landbouw en Visserijonderzoek	ILVO	Belgium
	9	Ministero delle Politiche Agricole Alimentari e Forestali	MIPAAF	Italy
	10	Instituto Nacional de Investigação Agraria e Veterinaria	INIAV	Portugal

### **WP1: Representativeness**

#### Rationale

As the reflection paper on the role of SCAR highlights in Chapter 4 Challenges to SCAR in an evolving landscape

SCAR's wider remit has obvious consequences for the operation of the Committee

- additional groups needed
- maintain country representativeness
- MS inclusion in activities
- transparency and information flows
- range of expertise to bring in
- bridging gaps between ministries at national level



#### **WP1 Objectives**

#### Targeted activities

- to increase representativeness of currently less involved MS
- maintain interest of currently involved MS
- widen involvement in view of wider remit



#### **WP1 Tasks**

- T1.1 Analysis of **key factors of involvement and** representation
- **T1.2 Conference on representativeness**
- **T1.3 Mentoring programme**
- T1.4 Meetings to enhance visibility and use of SCAR outcomes in MS and to step up the engagement of MS in SCAR



## T 1.1 Analysis of the key factors of involvement and representativeness

#### How to get answers concerning representativeness?

- i. A desk study of SCAR meeting reports;
- ii. Interviews with chairs of SCAR groups;
- iii. Survey among national delegates;
- iv. Moderated discussions in working groups.



### T1.2 Conference on Representativeness

- Expected outcomes: SCAR-wide exchange of good practices, consolidation of approaches to step up representativeness, recommendations for Member States, SCAR and the EC
- 70 80 participants
- 4 5 December 2017, Tallinn, Estonia (hosted by the Ministry of Rural Affairs)
- Organisation contacts: Külli Kaare (Estonian Ministry of Rural Affairs) and Christine Bunthof (CASA WP1)





### T1.2 Conference on Representativeness

#### Programme focus:

- Addressing inclusiveness: bottlenecks and challenges
- > Success factors (best practices for organising SCAR work at national level)
- Examples of organising SCAR WG activities at national level
- ➤ Exchange of experiences in benefitting from the SCAR 4th Foresight Exercise



### **T1.4 Meetings in Member States**

Now:

meeting in Spain. Hosting organisation: INIA

Further more:

In 2017/18:Hungary

In 2017/18:Poland

In 2018/19: two more countries



### WP2: Added Value and Improved Quality for Greater Impact

One of the **driving forces** behind establishing this CSA was the wish to provide

"Added Value and Improved Quality for Greater Impact", which became the title of WP2.

This should be done by supporting SCAR through facilitation and coordination of the working groups, thus helping deliver results of improved quality leading to greater impact of SCAR activities.



#### **CASA WP2 Overview**

The **objective** of this work package is to **support SCAR** and its **SWGs** and **CWGs** to deliver results of improved quality creating added value to outputs for **greater impact** within the evolving landscape of the broader bioeconomy.



#### **CASA WP2 Tasks**

WP 2 will provide support to working groups (SWG, CWG, Foresight Group & SCAR SG) through 5 tasks:

- T2.1 Added Value and Improved quality for greater impact
- T2.2 Facilitation of organisation of working groups and their meetings
- T2.3 Organising external expert studies in support of the working groups' activities
- T2.4 Coordination and linkages between SWGs & CWGs and with DGs
- T2.5 Support to the Implementation of the 4<sup>th</sup>
   Foresight and its recommendations



### WP 3: Strategic Advice Tasks 1/2

- T 3.1: Assess the state of play of research and innovation policy in the broader Bioeconomy area: preparatory work
- T 3.2: Assess the state of play of research and innovation policy in the broader Bioeconomy area: Assessment and SWOT analysis
- T 3.3: SWOT Conference
- T 3.4: Support SCAR on better alignment of research and innovation policies

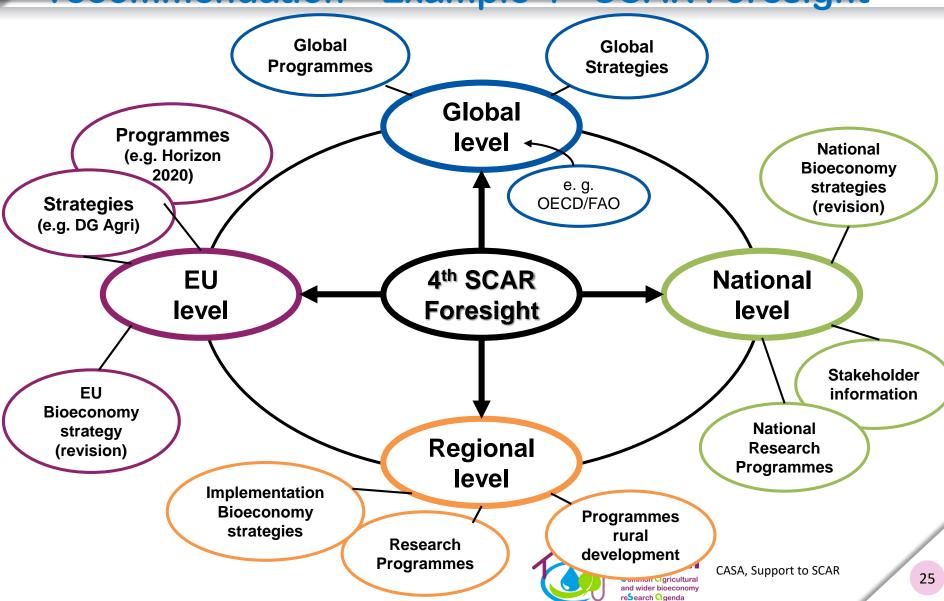


#### **WP 3 Tasks 2/2**

- T 3.5: Support SCAR in developing general procedures and tools for initiating new activities
- T 3.6: Creating a structure for future SCAR
   Foresight processes
- T 3.7: Develop an Impact Assessment Framework
- T 3.8: Develop scenarios on sustainability and follow up activities



# T 3.6 – The way forward Implementation / dissimination of SCAR Foresight results / recommendation – Example 4<sup>th</sup> SCAR Foresight



#### **WP4: Communication and Dissemination**

#### **WP4 Objectives**

- To ensure adequate knowledge transfer and dissemination of SCAR activities in order to achieve high impact of the results on the research community, the stakeholders and other interested parties
- Improved links between the SCAR activities
- The SCAR reports/studies need to be disseminated nationally and internationally to stakeholders and endusers
- The impact of SCAR activities is to be reinforced.



#### T 4.2 Various activities 1/3

- •CASA style guide, templates, logo .... have been and will be further developed.
- •Make the SCAR reports more attractive so that they can be a basis for discussion in the plenary sessions of SCAR.
- •Eventually, in collaboration with WP2, elaborate leaflets on specific themes (2/3 per year) in various working languages of the European Union.



#### T 4.2 Various activities 2/3

•Publication of SCAR reports in the format of leaflets, newletters, or brochures:

Bioeconomy issues, dictionary and best practices, based on the work of the bioeconomy SCAR working group, and for sake of sustainability

Publication of reports from other SCAR working groups

#### T 4.2 Various activities 3/3

- •A light web site for CASA which with two components:
- A public site for CASA activities to serve as the main information dissemination platform, including newsletters
- A web depository for SCAR/CASA members?

#### **SCAR Website 1/4**



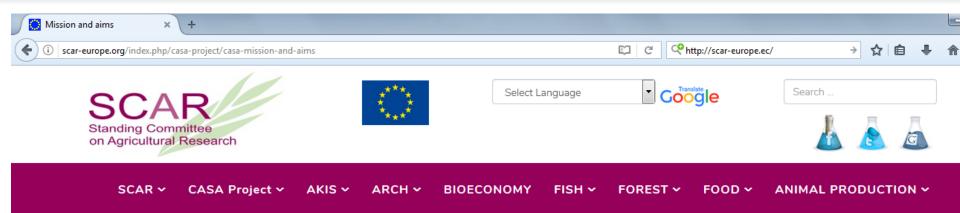
WEBSITE UNDER CONSTRUCTION



**MAY 2017** 

**EVENTS:** 

#### **SCAR Website 2/4**



#### Mission and aims



You are here: CASA Project / Mission and aims

The overall objective of CASA is a consolidated common agricultural and wider bioeconomy research agenda within the European Research Area. The common research agenda will be jointly shared by Member States of the European Union and Associated Countries. It will improve the alignment and interoperability of the respective national research programme(s). This will be achieved through enhanced cooperation,

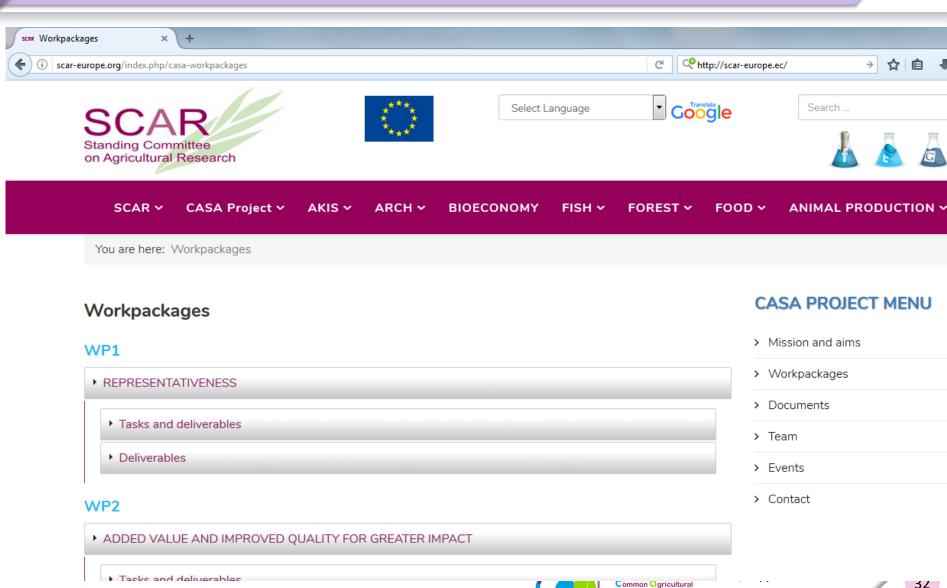
coordination and information exchange between the Member States, Associated Countries and the European Commission. This includes increasing the opportunities for Member States and Associated Countries to engage in the aforementioned activities. The conduit for this will be the Standing Committee of Agricultural Research (SCAR) and the various SCAR working groups, through which all Member States and Associated Countries are brought together with a view to fostering cooperation, coordination and information exchange, as well as streamlining research policy, in the Bioeconomy and closely related fields. The overarching aim of CASA will be achieved through the accomplishment of the following four specific objectives:

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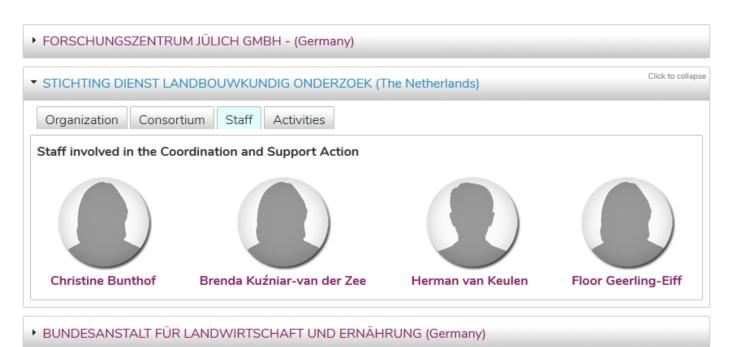
#### **SCAR Website 3/4**



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#### **SCAR Website 4/4**

#### **Team**



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#### T 4.3: Final conference of CASA

- Task manager: MAAF/DGER
- Contributors: INIAV, Jülich, DLO, BLE, AU
- This task will organise a CASA final conference in Paris







## THANK YOU For your attention

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