



A stakeholder platform to disseminate results from SMARTER project

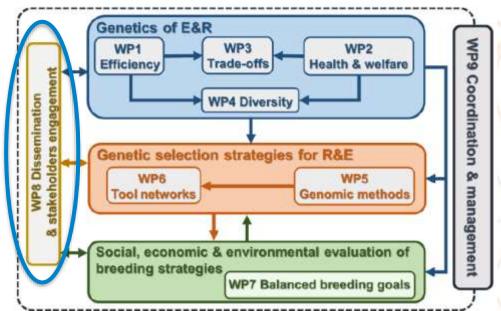
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SMARTER = <u>SMAII RuminanTs</u> breeding for <u>Efficiency</u> and <u>Resilience</u>

H2020 EU multi actor project, 2018 – 2023, Coordination: INRAE Toulouse, Partnership includes ICAR, EAAP and others

Objective: Improve resilience and efficiency of the sheep and goat sector, at the animal, population/breed and farm level, through new collaborative strategies.







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WP8 "Dissemination, Training and Stakeholders' engagement"

Objective: maximize the impact of the project by optimising the dissemination and the exploitation of the results

Stakeholders' engagement

Dissemination/Training for scientific community

Dissemination/Training for stakeholders

Dissemination tools





Approach

- ✓ SMARTER dissemination activities rely on the complementary <u>networks</u> of ICAR and the other consortium partners.
- ✓ The grid of <u>academic and non-academic partners</u> in the project countries will help multiply the dissemination at international as well as regional level.
- ✓ The project is <u>disseminating via</u>:
 - ICAR and EAAP annual international conferences
 - Multi-actor regional round tables organized, whenever possible, in local languages
 - Face to face and web-based trainings, and a wide range of media tools (website, newsletters, and fliers)
 - Publications in international scientific journals, posters and oral communications at international and national conferences





Stakeholders' engagement

Objective: provide the participatory framework through the creation of a stakeholder's platform, allowing dialogue between SMARTER partners and stakeholders, to make the project meet the end users' needs

Work done & results obtained:

- ✓ Establishment of a **stakeholders' platform** by means of two internal surveys; stakeholders were contacted and information and relevant materials provided
- √The current version of the stakeholders' platform firstly defined in September 2019 includes 30 stakeholders (19 national, 8 trans-national and 3 support stakeholders)





The stakeholders





8 trans-national and 3 support stakeholders

- ✓ IGA-International Goat Association.
- ✓ FAO
- ✓ FABRE-TP-Farm Animal Breeding & Reproduction TP
- ✓ Global Agenda of Action in Support of Sustainable Livestock Platform
- ✓ ILRI-International Livestock Res. Int.
- ✓ SCAR-Standing Committee on Agric. Res.
- ✓ Interbull Centre
- ✓ FACE Network
- ✓ Illumina-World
- √ AgResearch NZ
- ✓ AGBU-Anim. Gen. & Breeding Unit-AUS





Stakeholders' engagement

- ✓ First stakeholders meeting organised in Edinburgh (November 2019) providing a platform to introduce their organisations and highlight their expectations
- ✓ A comprehensive **report** of the stakeholders meeting was published in the SMARTER Newsletter #2 (see following slides)
- ✓ Second stakeholders meeting to be organised at next annual meeting (Late 2021/Early 2022) for presenting main practical results and get feedback from the platform





Main expectations from stakeholders - 1

- ✓ <u>Higher productivity</u> of the sheep and goat sector, primarily from an efficiency point of view but also environmentally and economically sustainable
- ✓ <u>Improve the genetic elements</u> for the milk and meat production, their quality and composition, both in sheep and goats
- ✓ <u>Establishment of long-terms relations</u> between breeders and research making possible the communication of different experiences





Main expectations from stakeholders - 2

- ✓ Development of an <u>international network for sharing</u> ovine and caprine genetic information and experiences with different and local breeds.
- ✓ Incorporation of <u>new genetic traits</u> in breeding programmes such as health traits, reproductive traits and feed efficiency, to be achieved by the improvement of new traits for longevity, rusticity and resilience.
- ✓ Use of <u>genomics</u>, accomplished to genetic improvement programmes was broadly suggested by many stakeholders as a major outcome of the Smarter
- ✓ Ultimately there is an opportunity to achieve of an <u>international genetic evaluation</u> <u>system</u> that would benefit the whole sector (International comparable breeding values).





2021-2022: National Round Tables (NRT) in 10 countries

✓ SMARTER results dissemination are focused nationally

✓ Objective: Ensure all relevant national stakeholders disseminate in the 10 countries





Structure of the NRT

- A common set of presentations in local language
 Focused on main objectives, main practical results of work packages.
- A custom part adapted to the needs (traits-oriented, evaluation-oriented, breeding goals-oriented ...)
- Take advantage of the meeting and the presence of stakeholders to get replies from simple surveys (mainly on breeding goals and willingness to increase international cooperation (including data sharing)

NRT arrangements

- ✓ 1 or 2 days
- ✓ All domestic stakeholders (end-users, professional federations, breeding organisations, inter-professional organizations, sheep and goat farmers, training people, scientists, wider society (specialized newspapers, consumers ...)
- ✓ 50-100 people
- ✓ Reporting for consolidation, including short videos and/or interviews of farmers or other stakeholders on the interest of SMARTER for them.



Intended to be a major event for exploiting the results of SMARTER

The 10 NRT: Timeline and partners

2019 2020 2021 2022



Goal by 2/3 of the project (i) to have enough results, (ii) time to deploy proposed amendments

Roundtables organised in 10 countries

Switzerland | UK | Spain | France | Italy | Ireland
| Hungary | Greece | Uruguay | Norway





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