

# Multi-regime problems in cross-sector system innovations

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## Introduction

Multifunctional agriculture\* can be considered a system innovation in agriculture that crosses boundaries between the agricultural sector and one or more societal sectors. In spite of the relative success of this innovation, multifunctional entrepreneurs often face specific problems and challenges related to the incongruence of regimes in the different sectors they are dealing with. Until now little knowledge is available on how to tackle these problems and meet these challenges.

## Objectives

- to generate knowledge on multi-regime related problems in cross sector system innovations by studying multi-regime problems faced in multifunctional agriculture
- to explore and assess strategies of multifunctional entrepreneurs in order to be able to offer practical clues for addressing and tackling these problems

## Products

- brochure for stakeholders
- scientific publication
- on demand: presentation towards commissioning body and other relevant organizations

## Activities

- desk study
- choice of particular case
- interviews with experts and entrepreneurs
- analysis
- reporting

\* multifunctional agriculture is a new paradigm in agriculture that combines agricultural production with one or more societal functions, such as nature management, recreation, care, education, product processing and sale, etc.

## Case

### Care farming:

crossing boundaries between agricultural sector and care sector.

- Focus on care farming for children with Autism Spectrum Disorders and for elderly with dementia
- Comparison of strategies between three type of care farms:
  1. care farms as subcontractors of care institutions
  2. care farms with formal status of exceptional care provider (AWBZ)
  3. care farms financed by Personal Budgets of clients (PGB)

