



CASA

Common Agricultural
and wider bioeconomy
reSearch Agenda

D1.4 Compilation report with programmes and debrief presentations or reports of CASA-organised national meetings



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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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1. SYNOPSIS

National meetings about SCAR are a means to increase visibility of SCAR in Member States, to promote SCAR outcomes, to provide a forum for exchange of national relevant background, and to foster involvement of different stakeholders at the national level.

The CASA project, Task 1.4, supported the organisation of in total seven national SCAR meetings, which took place within the duration of the CASA project. The CASA WP1 team worked directly with SCAR delegates interested in having a national meeting about SCAR in their country. Three countries expressed interest already before the start of CASA, and committed the necessary time for preparing a meeting in collaboration with CASA staff. These countries were Spain, Hungary and Poland. The planning at the start of the CASA project was to support in total five or six national meetings in the frame of CASA Task 1.4. In particular those countries that are less engaged but where the national authorities are interested to raise their profile in SCAR and SCAR's influence were encouraged to participate in this scheme.

The scheme was piloted through organising a first meeting, in Spain in May 2017, and by using the experiences with regard to the programme, the target groups, the communications, and the way of collaboration, timeline, task distribution, logistics and on-the-day organisation as a learning basis for other meetings.

Through a call for expression of interest more Member States were invited to express their interests. This invitation was sent to SCAR Steering Group delegates after summer 2018. Expressing interest implied also to commit themselves to co-organising the event in their country. The meeting programmes were developed in close collaboration between the SCAR delegates of the country and the Task leader. The programme of each SCAR national meeting was customized to the needs, context and interests of the host country. Expected impact include an increased knowledge of the objectives, activities and outcomes of SCAR, and of the opportunities and advantages of an active involvement.

This report includes: the text of the Call of Expression of Interest, the list of the National SCAR meetings, key documents from each of the meetings. The impact assessment of the national meetings is reported in the Impact Report of Task 1.5.

2. CALL FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST FOR NATIONAL SCAR MEETING, OCTOBER 2018



Call for Expression of Interest: National SCAR meeting

If you want to increase the visibility and benefits of SCAR for your country, CASA can support you in organising a national event that meets these objectives

National SCAR meetings

National meetings about SCAR are a means to increase visibility of SCAR in the EU Member States, to promote SCAR outcomes and to provide a forum for exchange between stakeholders at the national level on bioeconomy issues. The SCAR CASA project (Task 1.4) can support delegates who are interested in having a national SCAR meeting in their country. The first national SCAR meeting in this CASA Task was organised together with the National Institute for Agronomic Research (INIA) in Spain on 10-11 May 2017. The event was highly appreciated by the participants. It increased their knowledge about SCAR's objectives, activities and outcomes. The meeting was also very helpful in gaining better insight into the opportunities and advantages of being actively involved in one of SCAR's bodies.

For whom?

This call targets in particular those countries that are currently less engaged, but where national authorities are interested to raise their profile in SCAR and SCAR's influence in their own country. At present CASA is in contact with SCAR delegates of Hungary and Poland about an upcoming national SCAR meeting. However, through this call we also invite other countries to express their interest for a national event that CASA can help to organise in 2018 or 2019. In total, CASA Task 1.4 can support a national meeting in five or six countries. So we have room for two or three more events, besides the meetings in Spain, Hungary and Poland.

Process and steps

We realise it takes time for EU Members States to check internally if they can commit themselves to prepare and organise a national SCAR meeting. Therefore, **Member States can express their interest until 19 January, 2018**. CASA will collect all applications and will inform you about the possibilities to co-organise the meeting within two weeks after this due date.

Each national SCAR meeting will be based on the premises that it meets the needs, context and interests of the country. For the selected member states, the SCAR delegate and a CASA expert will jointly prepare and organise the entire event. Preparation and organisation include the following main steps. For each step specific expertise of the CASA expert can be used.



Deciding on the date of the event, objectives, topics, key note speakers and type of participants	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •CASA will suggest topics to be discussed and types of participants •CASA will suggest speakers from the European Commission and SCARE bodies (SG, WGs) •CASA will co-develop the programme
Contacting keynote speakers, elaborating sessions and working approach, inviting participants and other logistic arrangements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •CASA can contact key note speakers of the European Commission •CASA can contact representatives of SCARE bodies (SG, WGs) •CASA will co-design the sessions and working approach
Finalizing programme and communication	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •CASA can communicate the event through SCAR communication channels
Implementation and reporting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •CASA will moderate one or more sessions •CASA will co-write the report
Dissemination	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •CASA will co-prepare a ppt for debriefing purposes •CASA will co-develop a news item for the SCAR website and disseminate presentations and other meeting documents through this website

Financial support

For each national SCAR meeting a maximum budget of 7.000 euro is available in order to facilitate travelling and logistics. Cost items for which the budget may be used include venue, catering, dinner, printing costs associated with the meeting, and Travel & Subsistence (T&S) reimbursement for speakers and/or other participants.

More information and contact persons

As lead of Task 1.4, staff from Wageningen Research (WR) will co-organise the national SCAR meetings in close cooperation with the SCAR delegates of interested countries. Ms. Christine Bunthof is the overall CASA WP1 lead contact person. She was also the CASA contact person for the first national SCAR event in Spain. Ms. Floor Geerling-Eiff (email: floor.geerling-eiff@wur.nl; tel.: +31703358160) is the contact person for the meeting to be organised in Hungary in 2018. Ms Annemarie Groot is the contact person (email: annemarie.groot@wur.nl; tel.:+31317483935) for all other national SCAR meetings planned for 2018, including the event in Poland.

For more information on the SCAR national meeting in Spain, please have a look at <http://scar-europe.org/index.php/events/national-scar-events/scar-national-meeting-at-inia-spain>.

To express your interest for a SCAR national meeting, please inform christine.bunthof@wur.nl.

Should you be needing any further information, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours sincerely,

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3. LIST OF NATIONAL SCAR MEETINGS ORGANISED

- May 10th – 11th 2017 - **National SCAR meeting in Spain**
Organisers: Institute for Agronomic Research + CASA
- February 28th 2018 - **National SCAR meeting in Bulgaria**
Organizers: AgroBioInstitute and the Agricultural Academy at the Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Forestry + CASA
- 25th April, 2018 - **National SCAR meeting in Hungary**
Organisers: Ministry of agriculture + CASA
- May 24th , 2018 - **National SCAR meeting in Greece**
Organisers: Hellenic Agricultural Organization DEMETER + CASA
- May 29th , 2018 - **National SCAR meeting in Italy**
Organisers: Ministry of agricultural, food and forestry policies + CASA
- November 14th , 2018 - **National SCAR meeting in Poland**
Organisers: Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development + CASA
- April 4th-5th , 2019 - **Baltic workshop on SCAR and Bioeconomy Strategies**
Organisers: Latvian Academy of Sciences, Agricultural Ministries of Latvia, Lithuania and Estonia + CASA (the Baltic workshop was supported by CASA WP1 and WP4).

4. NATIONAL MEETING IN SPAIN, 10-11 MAY 2017

With the aim to increase visibility of SCAR in Spain, and to pilot the concept of CASA supported national meetings, the CASA WP1 team and INIA collaborated to develop the concepts, and organised on May 10th - 11th a meeting at INIA in the frame of a Coordination and Support Action - CSA named CASA (Ref. Topic SFS-25-2016, Call H2020-SFS-2016-2017 on Sustainable Food Security – Resilient and Resource-Efficient Value Chains).

The meeting took place at the conference room at INIA, which can allocate about 50 attendees. Participants included members of SCAR, members of different Spanish Regional Communities linked to agricultural development, relevant members of Spanish Research Organisations, representatives of Spanish funding bodies, experts from the Bioeconomy sector and INIA staff engaged in related issues.

Specific objectives of the meeting :

- Informing regional agriculture research policy makers about SCAR and its activities
- Exchange of views with the autonomous regions about SCAR activities
- Sounding board for the national SCAR delegates and the delegates in SCAR Working Groups
- Presentation about the European Bioeconomy, and about the revision of the Bioeconomy Strategy
- Exchange about Spanish strategies on bioeconomy with the chairs and some members of the SCAR WG Bioeconomy
- Piloting the CASA SCAR National Meetings approach



Organisation team of the meeting

Available through the SCAR Website:

- Presentations
- Speakers Booklet
- Participant List

Included on the next pages:

- Invitation letter (p10-11)
- Programme of National Meeting in Spain, May 10-11, 2017 (p12-15)
- Debrief presentation for SCAR SG May 17th 2017 (p16-19)





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Manuel Lainez
Director

Madrid, April 5th 2017

Dear (Name of the particular person),

We are pleased to announce you that on May 10th - 11th we are organising a meeting¹ at INIA in the frame of a Coordination and Support Action - CSA named CASA (Ref. Topic SFS-25-2016, Call H2020-SFS-2016-2017 on Sustainable Food Security – Resilient and Resource-Efficient Value Chains).

The overall objective of CASA is a consolidated common agricultural and wider bioeconomy exploration agenda within the European Research Area. Hence, this action focuses on the respective national research programme(s) and its alignment and interoperability improvement through enhanced cooperation, coordination and information exchange between the Member States, Associated Countries and the European Commission.

The operational channel for this is the Standing Committee on Agricultural Research (SCAR) and the various SCAR working groups, through which all Member States and Associated Countries are brought together in the Bioeconomy and closely related fields.

We can allocate about 50 attendees in our conference room. These will include members of SCAR, members of different Spanish Regional Communities linked to agricultural development, relevant members of Spanish Research Organisations, representatives of Spanish funding bodies, experts from the Bioeconomy sector and INIA staff engaged in related issues.

We will be very much delighted to have your attendance and eventually a contribution (e.g. a case study), presenting a communication at this meeting. Enclosed, find a draft agenda of the event. Please, let us know by April 12th at latest the attendees from your institution. It would be very much appreciated if you could provide us this information by making registration through the following link:

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdc4AMDU9egG2opllio8vGCf35hIO4m8EDML9Uf64m9CX90cQ/viewform>

Yours faithfully,

Manuel Lainez

¹Note: English will be the working Language

CASA - SCAR NATIONAL MEETING AT INIA - SPAIN

May 10th -11th 2017

VENUE: INIA Conference Room - Main Building

Wednesday 10 May

12:30-12:45 Bus from the hotel to INIA
12:45-13:00 Registration and Welcome
13:00-13:15 Manuel Lainez [INIA Director]. Opening speech
13:15-13:45 Paloma Melgarejo [INIA Deputy Director]. Key Note Speech: SCAR Relevance in Spain
13:45 -14:15 Laurence Bastin [DG RTD Bioeconomy; SCAR Secretary]. The Role of SCAR vis-a-vis Bioeconomy Strategy
14:15-15:15 Lunch
15:15-15:45 Rolf Stratmann [JUELICH; CASA Coordinator]. CASA Aims and Progress
15:45-16:15 Nuria Arribas & Jorge Molina [European Bioeconomy Panel]. Regional Influence
16:15-16:30 Isabel Cañellas [INIA]. SCAR-Forestry
16:30-16:45 Pilar Pereda & Aurelio García [IEO]. SCAR-Fish
16:45-17:00 Jesús Escudero [INIA]. SCAR-Bioeconomy
17:00-17:15 José Luis Cruz [IMIDRA]. SCAR-Arch
17:15-17:30 Natalia Villalobos [INIA]. SCAR-AKIS
17:30-18:00 Coffee Break
18:00-19:00 Part I Speakers from Autonomous Regions, own Bioeconomy Activities / vision
19:00-19:15 All. Discussion & Remarks
19:15-19:30 Bus from INIA to the hotel
21:00- Dinner

Thursday 11 May

09:00-09:15 Bus from the hotel to INIA
09:30-10:00 Christine Bunthof [WUR; CASA WP 1 & European Bioeconomy Panel]. Bioeconomy Manifesto
10:00-10:30 Vera Steinberg & Laura Devaney [BLE & TEAGASC; CASA WP3]. Bioeconomy Strategy Development: international learnings and progress to date
10:30-10:50 Susana Astiz [INIA]. SCAR-SAP and SCAR AHW
10:50-11:05 Begoña Pérez [AZTI]. SCAR-Food Systems
11:05-11:30 Coffee Break
11:30-12:15 Part II Speakers from Autonomous Regions, own Bioeconomy Activities / Vision
12:15-12:45 All. Final Discussion & Remarks
12:45 End of Event
13:00 Bus from INIA to the city centre



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VENUE: INIA Conference Room - Main Building



Wednesday, 10th May

12:30-12:45 Bus from the hotel to INIA
12:45-13:00 Registration and Welcome

Session 1

Moderator: Rocío Lansac [INIA, Coordinator RRII]

13:00-13:15 Manuel Lainez [INIA Director]. Opening speech
13:15-13:45 Paloma Melgarejo [INIA Deputy Director]. Key Note Speech: SCAR. Relevance in Spain
13:45 -14:15 Laurence Bastin [DG RTD Bioeconomy; SCAR Secretary]. The Role of SCAR vis-a-vis Bioeconomy Strategy
14:15-14:45 Rolf Stratmann [JUELICH; CASA Coordinator]. CASA Aims and progress. History and background which led to the CASA project. Aims, progress and outlook.
14:45-15:45 Lunch

Session 2

Moderator: Marian Rodriguez [INIA, RRII]

15:45-16:15 José Manuel González [CDTI]. The role of the Programme Committee to define Bioeconomy priorities in Europe
16:15-16:45 Nuria Arribas & Jorge Molina [European Bioeconomy Panel]. Regional Influence
16:45-17:00 Isabel Cañellas [INIA Deputy Director]. SCAR SWG FORESTRY
17:00-17:15 Pilar Pereda & Aurelio Ortega [IEO]. SCAR SWG FISH, work and progress
17:15-17:30 Jesús Escudero [INIA, NCP-SC2]. SCAR SWG BIOECONOMY
17:30-18:00 Coffee Break

Session 3

Moderator: Christine Bunthof [WUR; CASA WP 1]

18:00-18:15 Manuel Lainez [INIA]. Spanish Bioeconomy Strategy
18:15-19:00 Part I Speakers from Autonomous Regions, (9 min/each)
Enrique Moltó [IVIA]. Bioeconomy Strategy: Valencia
Pablo Gómez [ITACYL] Bioeconomy in an Agrifood Priority 1 RIS3 Region: Castilla y León
José Antonio Domínguez [CITA]. Strategic design of the Innovation Center in Rural Bioeconomy. Aragón
Santos Jorna [Consejería de Medio Ambiente y Rural]. Green and Circular Economy Strategy. Extremadura
Javier Mena [Clamber Bio-Refinery]. Case Study
19:00-19:15 All. Discussion & Remarks
19:15-19:30 Bus from INIA to the hotel
21:00 Dinner



Thursday, 11th May

09:00-09:15 Bus from the hotel to INIA

Session 4 Moderator: *Jesús Escudero* [INIA RRII, NCP-SC2]

- 09:30-10:00 Christine Bunthof [WUR; CASA WP 1 & European Bioeconomy Panel].
Bioeconomy Manifesto
- 10:00-10:30 Vera Steinberg & Laura Devaney [BLE & Teagasc; CASA WP3].
Bioeconomy Strategy Development: international learnings and progress to date
- 10:30-10:50 Susana Astiz [INIA]. SCAR CWG SAP and SCAR CWG AHW
- 10:50-11:10 AnnaMaria Marzetti [MIPAAF] SCAR SWG Food Systems & Food2030
- 11:10-11:30 Coffee break

Session 5 Moderator: *Paloma Melgarejo* [INIA Deputy Director]

- 11:30-11:45 José Luis Cruz [IMIDRA]. SCAR SWG ARCH
- 11:45-12:00 Natalia Villalobos [INIA]. SCAR SWG AKIS
- 12:00-12:48 Part II Speakers from Autonomous Regions, own Bioeconomy Activities / Vision
(8min/each)
Alfonso Ribas [INGACAL] y Miguel Fernández [CTC]. Galicia.
Armando Martínez [IFAPA] Andalusian Bioeconomy Strategy. Andalucía.
Rodrigo de Oliveira [IRTA]. Bioeconomy Strategy in Cataluña
Ramón A. Juste [SERIDA]. Strategic approach towards Bioeconomy. Asturias
José Alfonso Gómez [IAS-CSIC]. Case Study
Juan José Alarcón [CEBAS-CSIC]. Case Study
- 12:48-13:00 All. Final Discussion & Remarks
- 13:00 End of Event. Bus from INIA to the city centre

SCAR
Standing Committee
on Agricultural Research

ACRONIM DEFINITION

AHW	Animal Health and Welfare.
AKIS	Agricultural Knowledge and Innovation Systems.
ARCH	European Agricultural Research towards greater impact on global Challenges.
BLE	Federal Office of Agriculture and Food. Germany.
CASA	Common Agricultural and wider bioeconomy reSearch Agenda.
CDTI	Centro para el Desarrollo Tecnológico Industrial. Gobierno de España.
CEBAS	Centro de Edafología y Biología Aplicada del Segura. Región de Murcia.
CITA	Centro de Investigación y Tecnología Agroalimentaria. Gobierno de Aragón.
CSIC	Consejo Superior de Investigaciones Científicas.
CTC	Centro Tecnológico de la Carne. Xunta de Galicia.
CWG	Collaborative Working Group.
DG RTD	Directorate-General for Research and Innovation. EC.
DLR	German Aerospace Center. Germany.
IAS	Instituto de Agricultura Sostenible. Andalucía.
IEO	Instituto Español de Oceanografía. Gobierno de España.
IFAPA	Instituto Andaluz de Investigación y Formación Agraria, Pesquera, Alimentaria y de la Producción Ecológica. Junta de Andalucía.
IMIDRA	Instituto Madrileño de Investigación y Desarrollo Rural Agrario y Alimentario. Comunidad de Madrid.
INGACAL	Instituto Galego da Calidade Alimentaria. Xunta de Galicia.
INIA	Instituto Nacional de Investigación y Tecnología Agraria y Alimentaria. Gobierno de España.
IRTA	Instituto de Investigación y Tecnología Agroalimentarias. Generalitat de Catalunya.
ITACYL	Instituto Tecnológico Agrario de Castilla y León. Junta de Castilla y León.
IVIA	Instituto Valenciano de Investigaciones Agrarias. Generalitat Valenciana.
JUELICH	Forschungszentrum Jülich GmbH, Projectmanagement Jülich. Germany.
MIPAAF	Ministero delle Politiche Agricole Alimentari e Forestali. Italy.
NCP-SC2	National Contact Point - Societal Challenge 2.
RRII	Relaciones Internacionales.
SAP	Sustainable Animal Production.
SCAR	Standing Committee on Agricultural Research.
SERIDA	Servicio Regional de Investigación y Desarrollo Agroalimentario. Gobierno del Principado de Asturias.
SWG	Strategic Working Group.
Teagasc	Agriculture and Food Development Authority. Ireland.
WUR	Wageningen University & Research. The Netherlands.



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The Objectives

General and First Specific Meeting

- Enhance visibility and use of SCAR outcomes in the MS and to step up the engagement of MS in SCAR
- Informing regional agriculture research policy makers about SCAR and its activities
- Exchange of views with the autonomous regions about SCAR activities
- Get better connection with the national SCAR delegate, the regional SCAR delegate and the delegates in SCAR Working Groups
- Presentation about the European Bioeconomy, and about the revision of the Bioeconomy Strategy
- Exchange about Spanish strategies on bioeconomy with the chairs and some members of the SCAR WG Bioeconomy
- Piloting the CASA SCAR National Meetings approach

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DEBRIEF FOR SCAR SG May 17th



The Programme

- Opening speech and presentation INIA
- Keynote: SCAR history and mandate, SCAR relevance for Spain
- SCAR CASA project aims and progress
- Presentation about the European Bioeconomy, and about the revision of the Bioeconomy Strategy
- Role of PC to define bioeconomy research priorities
- Regional influence in European policies and networks
- Spanish Bioeconomy Strategy
- Bioeconomy Stakeholder Manifesto
- Learnings and progress on bioeconomy strategy development – Canadian and Irish case
- All SCAR CWGs and SWGs
- Bioeconomy strategies and activities in the Spanish regions
- Case presentations - research examples from regions

The Meeting

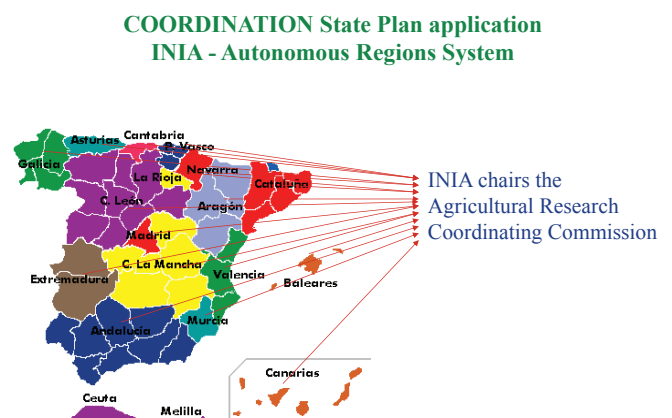
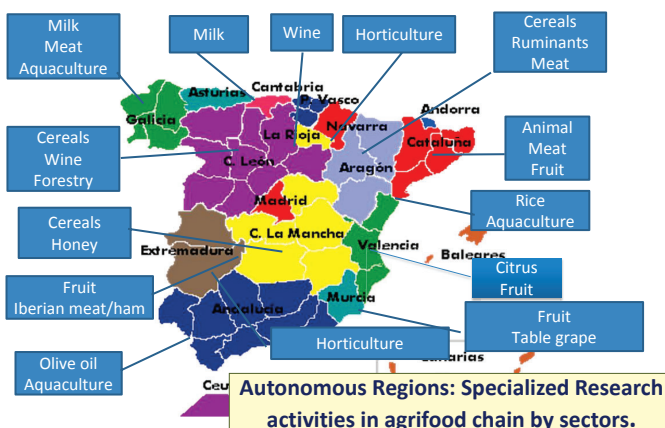
- Bringing together ~60 people
- 14 out of 17 Spanish regions.
- Delegates in SCAR groups, agricultural research institutes, CSIC, universities, ministries
- Fostered networking and learning from each other: relatively new people in SCAR groups
- Increased the visibility and knowledge of SCAR
- Overview and examples of bioeconomy activities in regions



The Outcomes

- Increased knowledge of ..
 - .. objectives, activities and outcomes of SCAR
 - .. the state of play or European Bioeconomy, and bioeconomy of some countries, and of own regions.
 - .. influence of regions in policy making
- Participants have enlarged their networks and know their national delegates better now
- Knowing reminders and encouragers
- Highlighted *Innovation* as key driver for bioeconomy
- More insight in the complexities and diverse opportunities!

On SCAR relevance for Spain and the agro-food R&I structure in Spain





crue Universidades Españolas

Schools of Agronomy and Rural Environment
Faculties of Veterinary Medicine
Schools of Forestry
Faculties of Food Technology
Faculty of Biology, Chemistry, biotechnology, etc.

CSIC
CONSEJO SUPERIOR DE INVESTIGACIONES CIENTÍFICAS

28 agro food research centers

Technological centers
CNTA, AINIA, CTAEX, CITOLIVA, CTC, etc

Representatives in Spain

National	Autonomous Regions
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Paloma Melgarejo INIA, Madrid 	<p>Pere Arús IRTA, Cataluña</p>

Spanish Representatives in SCAR Working Groups

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> SWG AKIS
Natalia Villalobos (INIA) SWG ARCH
José Luis Cruz (IMIDRA) SWG SCARFISH
Pilar Pereira (IEO) SWG Bioeconomy
Jesús Escudero (INIA) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> SWG Forest
Isabel Cañellas (INIA) SWG Food Systems
Angeles Alonso (INIA) Begoña Pérez (AZTI) CWG AHW
Marta García (INIA) CWG SAP
Susana Astiz (INIA) |
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Opportunities to promote SCAR at regional level in Spain

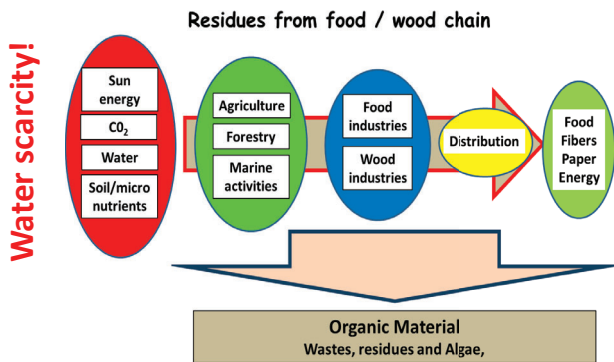
Objective: **Increase participation, interaction and collaboration** of the Autonomous Regions with each other and with the INIA as representative of Spain

How? **Participating in the different SCAR bodies:** the SCAR Working Group (SCAR WG); SCAR Strategic and Collaborative Working Groups (SWGs and CWGs); ad-hoc task forces.

Result: **Improved quality of outputs and outcomes of SCAR** and its SWGs and CWGs creating added value for greater impact within the evolving landscape of the broader bioeconomy based on an increased and broadened participation

Strengthening the production of more strategic policy advice for the coming years improved by SCAR Bioeconomy Strategy at National and at Regional level

Scope of the Bioeconomy Strategy in Spain



Examples showing some of Spanish specific challenges, conditions, and bioeconomy opportunities

THE SPANISH AGRI-FOOD SECTOR

7% occupied population
900.000 farms
30.000 companies
17 % exports

Food sector: many small SMEs Economical engine at European, national & regional level

Food industry is the **main manufacturing activity in Europe**

annual turnover	companies	employment
14,9% total 1.017.000 mill. €	287.000 99,1% SMEs	4,25 mill.

● Situation is different between countries:

	INVOICING (1.000 mill €)	EMPLOYMENT (mil)	COMPANIES
GERMANY	163.3	550	5.960
FRANCE	157.2	500	10.000
ITALY	127	408	6.300

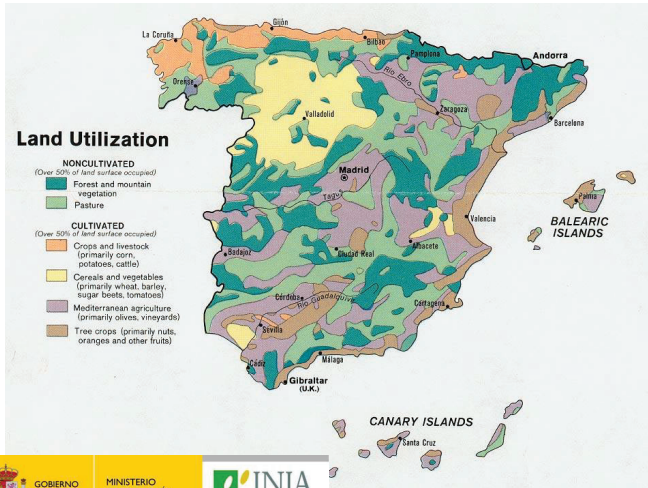
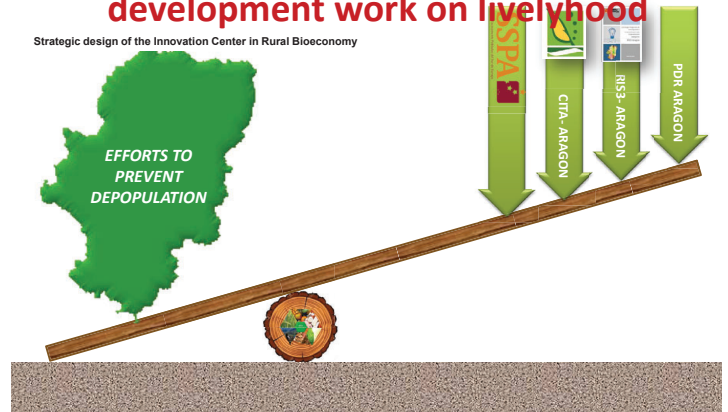
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FRANCE	157.2	500	10.000
ITALY	127	408	6.300
SPAIN	90.2	352	29.196

● **SIZE MATTERS!!!! A LOT!!!**

Aragon – innovation centre for rural development work on livelihood

Strategic design of the Innovation Center in Rural Bioeconomy



Canary island – combating pests and diseases of special crops



BOE nº 115, of 14.05.11 published the specifications of the Protected Designation of Origin (PDO) "Papas Antiguas de Canarias"

- First PDO in Spain for potatoes and the second obtained in Europe for agri-food products with differentiated quality
- 29 varieties genetically unique grown since the 16th century in the Canary Islands



A recurring key message for developing the bioeconomy at national, regional and local levels :



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THANK YOU
 For your attention

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5. NATIONAL MEETING IN BULGARIA, 28 FEBRUARY 2018

To increase the visibility of and national engagement in the Standing Committee of Agricultural Research, CASA and the [AgroBioInstitute](#) and [Agricultural Academy](#) of the Bulgarian [Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Forestry](#) jointly organised the national SCAR meeting on 28 February, 2018. More specifically, the meeting aimed to:

- To inform agricultural research policy makers and researchers about SCAR, its bodies and activities
- To increase insight into opportunities and advantages of being actively involved in SCAR
- To exchange views on the Common Agricultural Policy and bioeconomy research

More than 100 participants of universities, ministries and other public and private organisations came together to discuss research and innovation priorities during the Bulgarian EU presidency, and to learn about SCAR activities and working groups.

The conference room was relatively well filled up with younger participants. They showed interest in participating as Bulgarian delegate in one of SCAR's Strategic Working Groups as they realise that being involved in such European think-tank allows them to get informed about latest knowledge and (EU) news, and to influence the European bioeconomy strategy and research agendas.

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Available through the SCAR Website:

- Presentations
- Speakers Booklet
- Participant List

Included on the next pages:

- Invitation letter (p22)
- Programme of National Meeting in Bulgaria, 28 February 2018 (p23-24)
- Debrief presentation for SCAR SG 21 March 2018 (p25)



SCAR CASA National meeting in Bulgaria

28 February, 2018, Opal Hall, Hotel Ramada, Sofia Bulgaria

The Standing Committee on Agricultural Research /SCAR/ at EC is well recognized by European Commission and its Member States as valuable coordination and advisory body on agricultural research and bioeconomy development. **Aiming to increase the visibility, national engagement and promote outcomes of SCAR, the AgroBioInstitute and Agricultural Academy at Ministry of Agriculture Food and Forestry, Bulgaria, with the support of SCAR CASA project, organize a National SCAR Meeting focused on EU and national developments and priorities of agriculture research and bioeconomy.**

The meeting will bring together well respected SCAR members and experts as well as representatives of various groups of national agricultural research and industry stakeholders to discuss agriculture research and bioeconomy issues and opportunities to participate into and benefit from SCAR activities.

Specifically, the meeting has the following objectives:

- To inform national agricultural research policy makers and researchers about SCAR, its bodies and activities
- To increase insight into opportunities and advantages of being actively involved in one of SCAR's bodies
- To improve information exchange and collaboration between the national SCAR delegates and delegates in the SCAR strategic working groups
- To exchange views on bioeconomy research in Europe, Bulgaria and other European countries

The National SCAR Meeting will be held on 28 February, 2018 in Opal Hall of Ramada Hotel, Sofia, Bulgaria. It will follow the Bulgarian-Dutch seminar "Future Perspectives of the Agriculture" organized on 27 February 2018 at the same place. **The working languages are English and Bulgarian, and translation will be provided.**

CASA SCAR National meeting

28 February, 2018, Opal Hall, Hotel Ramada, Sofia Bulgaria

**Organized by:
AgroBioInstitute and Agricultural Academy (Bulgaria) and
Coordination and Support Action CASA**

Programme

9:00 – 9:30 Registration

(Moderator prof. Ivan Atanassov, Bulgarian representative in SCAR)

9:30 – 9:40 Official opening, *prof. Vasil Nikolov, President of Agricultural Academy, Bulgaria*

9:40 – 10:10 SCAR activities and impacts – *Mr. Enrico Prezio, Policy officer EU, SCAR Secretary*

10:10 – 10:25 SCAR priorities during Bulgarian Presidency of the Council of the EU – *prof. Ivan Atanasov, AgroBioInstitute, Bulgaria, Bulgarian representative in SCAR*

10:25 – 11:10 The CAP (Common agricultural policy 2020- 2025)

- The EU and Dutch perspective – *Dr. Krijn Poppe, Wageningen University and Research, The Netherlands*
- The Bulgarian perspective – *assoc. prof. Bojidar Ivanov, Institute of Agricultural Economics, Bulgaria,*

11:10 – 11:40 Coffee break

(Moderator Dr. Annemarie Groot, Coordination and Support Action CASA)

11:40 – 12:40 Presentation on SCAR Working Groups

- Strategic Working Group: Bioeconomy – *Mr. Jan van Esch, Ministry of Agriculture, Nature and Food Quality, The Netherlands*
- Strategic Working Group: Agricultural Knowledge and Innovation Systems – *Ms. Svetlana Boyanova, Institute for Agrostrategies and Innovations, Bulgaria*
- Strategic Working Group: Forest – *Dr. Kalliopi Radoglou, Forest Research Institute, Democritus University of Thrace, Greece*



AgroBioInstitute



- SCAR 4th Foresight exercise: *Dr. Krijn Poppe, Wageningen University and Research, The Netherlands*

12:40 – 13:10 Presentation on Coordination Support Action CASA - *Dr. Rolf Stratmann, coordinator CASA*

13:10 – 14:10 Lunch

(Moderator prof. Ivan Atanasov, AgroBioInstitute, Bulgaria, Bulgarian representative in SCAR)

14:10 – 14:30 Highlights of bioeconomy related research in Bulgaria. – *prof. Ivan Atanasov, AgroBioInstitute, Bulgaria, Bulgarian representative in SCAR*

14:30 – 14:50 Innovation through cooperation in agriculture, Action 16 of Rural Development Programme - *Mr. Vladislav Tsvetanov, state expert from Bulgarian Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Forestry, responsible for the Programme*

14:50 – 15:20 Q&A

Working language: English and Bulgarian.

SCAR National Meeting in Sofia, Bulgaria, 28-2-2018

21/03/2018
 Prof. Ivan Atanassov (ABI)
 Dr. Annemarie Groot (WR)

ABI AgroBioInstitute
 Agricultural Academy
 SCAR
 CASA
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Objectives

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- To inform agricultural research policy makers and researchers about SCAR, its bodies and activities
- To increase insight into opportunities and advantages of being actively involved in SCAR
- To exchange views on bioeconomy research



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Co-production

- AgroBioInstitute and Agricultural Academy at Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Forestry, Bulgaria, And
- Horizon 2020 Coordination and Support Action (CASA)



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Programme

09:30 – 09:40	Opening, <i>prof. Vasil Nikolov, President of Agricultural Academy, Bulgaria</i>
09:40 – 10:10	SCAR activities and impacts – <i>Mr. Enrico Prezio, EU, SCAR Secretary</i>
10:10 – 10:25	SCAR priorities during Bulgarian Presidency of the Council of the EU – <i>prof. Ivan Atanassov, ABI, Bulgaria</i>
10:25 – 11:10	The CAP (Common agricultural policy 2020- 2025) - The EU and Dutch perspective – <i>Dr. Krijn Poppe, WUR, The Netherlands</i> - The Bulgarian perspective – <i>assoc. prof. Bajidar Ivanov, Institute of Agricultural Economics, Bulgaria</i>
11:10 – 11:40	Coffee break
11:40 – 12:40	SCAR Working Groups - Bioeconomy - <i>Mr. Jan van Esch, Ministry of Agriculture, Nature and Food Quality, the Netherlands</i> - AKIS - <i>Ms. Svetlana Boyanova, Institute for Agrostrategies and Innovations, Bulgaria</i> - Forest – <i>Dr. Kalliopi Radoglou, Forest Research Institute, Democritus University of Thrace, Greece</i> - SCAR 4 th Foresight exercise: <i>Dr. Krijn Poppe, WUR</i>
12:40 – 13:10	Presentation of CASA SCAR activities. <i>Dr. Ralf Stratmann, Coordinator CASA</i>
13:10 – 14:10	Lunch
14:10 – 14:30	Highlights of bioeconomy related research in Bulgaria. – <i>prof. Ivan Atanassov,</i>
14:30 – 14:50	Innovation through cooperation in agriculture, Action 16 of Rural Development Programme - <i>Vladislav Tsvetanov, Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Forestry</i>
14:50 – 15:20	Q&A

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Participants



86 participants from: Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Forestry, Agricultural academy, AgroBioInstitute, other universities and government organisations, private companies, press and international speakers

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Highlights

- SCAR activities and impacts. Priorities during Bulgarian Presidency
- Discussions and concrete suggestions for CAP reform
- Examples of the value of participation in SCAR SWGs
- Opportunities for participation in Action 16 of Rural Development Programme (Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Forestry)
- Bioeconomy related research in Bulgaria, OP “Science and Education for Smart Growth”, (Ministry of Education and Science)

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last week Developments...

- Establishment of ‘*Interministry Group for Bioeconomy Development*’ approved by the Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Forestry.
- Results from Center of Competence call under OP “Science and Education for Smart Growth” - funding of large CoC project “*Sustainable utilization of bio- resources and waste of medicinal and aromatic plants for innovative bioactive products*”

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6. NATIONAL MEETING IN HUNGARY, 25 APRIL 2018

Aiming to increase the visibility of, and national engagement in the Standing Committee of Agricultural Research (SCAR), and to promote outcomes of the SCAR, the Hungarian Ministry of Agriculture, with support of SCAR CASA, organised a national SCAR meeting focused on EU and national developments and priorities of agriculture research and bioeconomy. The meeting took place in Budapest on 25 April 2018.

The meeting brought together the intermediate management level and experts of different ministries, and well respected SCAR members to foster governmental cooperation between sectors of bioeconomy, and enhance engagement of Hungary in the SCAR and its activities.

The meeting had the following objectives:

1. Present the potential of bioeconomy for ministries' intermediate management, emphasise the importance of the role of public administration.
2. Present the activities of the working groups related to the Commission and Member States
3. Presentation of the need and potential of RDI strategic thinking
4. Start a strategic dialogue on bioeconomy.

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- Presentations
- Speakers Booklet
- Participant List
- Report National Meeting Hungary

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- Invitation letter (p28)
- Programme of National Meeting in Hungary, 25 April 2018 (p29-30)
- Debrief presentation for SCAR SG 17 May 2018 (p31)





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CASA-SCAR national meeting in Hungary
“Effective advocacy and knowledge based policy making in the bioeconomy”

**Organizer: Ministry of Agriculture and the Standing Committee on Agricultural
Research with the support of CASA H2020 project**

Venue: Ministry of Agriculture, Budapest

25 April 2018

09:00 – 16:00

Since its relaunch in 2005, the Standing Committee on Agricultural Research (SCAR) at European Commission has grown to become a respected source of advice on European agricultural and wider bioeconomy research, along with being a major catalyst for the coordination of national research programmes. SCAR plays an important role in coupling research and innovation and in removing barriers to innovation, and aims to make it easier for public-public and public-private sectors to work together in delivering innovation that tackles the challenges faced in the bioeconomy area. Aiming to increase the visibility, national engagement and promote outcomes of SCAR, the Hungarian Ministry of Agriculture with the support of SCAR CASA project, organize a National SCAR Meeting focused on EU and national developments and priorities of agriculture research and bioeconomy.

The meeting will bring together the intermediate management level and experts of different ministries and well respected SCAR members to foster governmental cooperation between sectors of bioeconomy and enhance engagement of Hungary in the SCAR and its activities.

The meeting has the following objectives:

- 1. Present the potential of bioeconomy for ministries' intermediate management, emphasize the importance of the role of public administration.**
- 2. Present the activities of the working groups related to the Commission and Member States**
- 3. Presentation of the need and potential of RDI strategic thinking**
- 4. Start a strategic dialogue on bioeconomy.**

The meeting is open for participation without registration fees. The working languages are English and Hungarian, and translation will be provided.



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Timing	Content		Moderator
08:30 – 09:00	Registration		
09:00 – 09:10	Welcome speech: The future of the Bioeconomy related Research and Innovation	dr. Zsolt Feldman <i>Ministry of Agriculture , HU</i>	Ákos Kristóf <i>Ministry of Agriculture, HU</i>
09:10 – 09:30	Setting the Scene: Bioeconomy	Liutauras Guobys <i>DG RTD, EU COM</i>	
09:30 – 09:40	The role of Programme Committee in setting the Bioeconomy priorities in Europe	Szonja Csuzdi <i>National Research Development and Innovation Office, HU</i>	
09:40 – 09:50	The role of Standing Committee on Agricultural Research in setting the Bioeconomy priorities in Europe	Barna Kovács, PhD <i>Permanent Representation of Hungary to the EU</i>	
09:50 – 10:00	The BIOEAST Initiative	Barna Kovács, PhD <i>Permanent Representation of Hungary to the EU</i>	
10:00 – 10:45	Discussion Strategic thinking: moving towards bioeconomy in Hungary	Panel discussion with questions	
10:45 – 11:00	Coffee Break		
11:00 – 12:10	SCAR bodies and the role of CASA		Barna Kovács, PhD <i>Permanent Representation of Hungary to the EU</i>
	Introduction to the Session by the Moderator	Barna Kovács, PhD <i>Permanent Representation of Hungary to the EU</i>	
	SCAR SWGs and the role of CASA	Rolf Stratmann <i>Coordinator CASA, DE</i>	
	SCAR SWG “Bioeconomy”	Márta Gergely <i>Chamber of Agriculture, HU</i>	
	SCAR SWG “AKIS”	Anikó Juhász, PhD <i>Research Institute of Agricultural Economics, HU</i>	
	SCAR SWG “Forest”	Martin Greimel <i>Federal Ministry of Sustainability and Tourism, AT</i>	
	SCAR SWG “Food systems”	Gyórfy Andrea, PhD <i>National Food Chain Safety Office, HU</i>	
	SCAR SWG “Fish”	Péter Lengyel <i>Ministry of Agriculture, HU</i>	
12:10 – 12:45	Podium discussion Discussion with the podium speakers		
12:45-14:00	Lunch		



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Timing	Content	Moderator
	Good examples of bioeconomy in Hungary	
14:00 – 14:10	Development of insulation material made of tree bark	Zoltán Pásztory, PhD <i>University of Sopron</i>
14:10 – 14:20	Agricultural sidestream utilization in the mushroom-biogas production system	Adrienn Somosné Nagy, PhD <i>Pilze-Nagy Kft.</i>
14:20 – 14:30	Wise use of natural resources in aquaculture	Béla Halasi-Kovács <i>NARIC-Research Institute for Fisheries and Aquaculture</i>
14:30 – 14:40	Circular Economy, Waste & by-product management in brew industry.	Ákos Kiss <i>Heineken Hungária Sörgyárak Zrt.</i>
14:40 – 14:50	Innovative, bio-based technology developments in agriculture	Ákos Koós <i>Bay Zoltán Non-profit Ltd.</i>
14:50 – 15:30	Free time with the exhibitors	
15:30	Closing	dr. Zsolt Feldman <i>Ministry of Agriculture , HU</i>



National level meeting with the support of SCAR/CASA
„Efficient advocacy and knowledge based policy making in the bioeconomy”

SCAR Steering Group
17/05/2018
Barna Kovacs

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EUROPEAN UNION
Project co-funded by H2020 Programme under Grant Agreement n° 727488

Objectives

- To present the potential of the bioeconomy linked R&I for ministries' mid-management
- To present the activities of the SCAR related working groups
- To present the need and potential of R&I strategic thinking
- To start a strategic inter-ministerial dialogue on bioeconomy
- To emphasize the importance of the role of public administration.

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Program

- Bioeconomy, PC and SCAR setup
- SCAR Working Grups' structure and aim
- Case studies and expo

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Participants

Total no. of participants: 46

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Ministry of Foreign Affairs	Prime Minister's Office	National RDI Office
Bundesministerium für Nachhaltigkeit und Tourismus(AT)	European Commission, DG RTD	Forschungszentrum Jülich (CASA)
Research Institute of Agricultural Economics	Chamber of Agriculture	National Food Chain Safety Office
Wageningen Economic Research (CASA)	Bay Zoltán Nonprofit Ltd. for Applied Research	NARIC Forest Research Institute
Heineken	Pannonia Ethanol Zrt.	NARIC Research Institute for Fisheries and Aquaculture

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Conclusions

- Good participation, positive feedback
- The Ministry of Agriculture is committed to bring forward the discussions
- The BIOEAST macro-regional cooperation could be a driving force

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Next steps

- Expert level meetings with other ministries in the different SCAR WG areas - setting priorities together, involving other ministries in the groups, JPI's etc.
- Start the process of developing a Strategic Research and Innovation Agenda on bioeconomy – macro-regional and national.
- The BIOEAST international conference 8 November 2018 – in cooperation with the Hungarian Academy of Sciences.
- Visegrad 4+ ministers meeting 12-13 June 2018, Hungary

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7. NATIONAL MEETING IN GREECE, 24 MAY 2018

SCAR National Meeting in Greece



CASA SCAR National Meeting in Greece

24 May 2018, Athens, premises of the
Institute of Mediterranean Forest
Ecosystems and
Forest Products Technology, Hellenic
Agricultural Organization DEMETER, Greece



Enhancing the bioeconomy national
strategy
National Meeting focused on agro-food
sector and environment – transfer of
European experience

• [Speakers](#)

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- Invitation letter (p33-34)
- Programme of National Meeting in Greece, 24 May 2018 (p35-36)

CASA SCAR National Meeting Greece

24 May 2018, Athens, premises of the Institute of Mediterranean Forest Ecosystems and Forest Products Technology, Hellenic Agricultural Organization DEMETER, Greece

Enhancing the bioeconomy national strategy

National Meeting focused on agro-food sector and environment – transfer of European experience

We are pleased to announce that on May 24th we are organising a meeting at the Institute of Mediterranean Forest Ecosystems and Forest Products Technology in the frame of the Standing Committee on Agricultural Research (SCAR), the Coordination and Support Action CASA which supports SCAR, the Hellenic Agricultural Organization DEMETER, the General Secretariat of Research and Technology (GSRT) and the Greek Bioeconomy Forum.

Since its relaunch in 2005, the Standing Committee on Agricultural Research (SCAR) at European Commission has grown to become a respected source of advice on European agricultural and wider bioeconomy research, along with being a major catalyst for the coordination of national research programmes. The SCAR plays an important role in linking research and innovation and in removing barriers for innovation and aims to make it easier for public-public and public-private sectors to work together in delivering innovation which tackles the challenges face in the bioeconomy area. The overall objective of CASA is a consolidated common research and innovation agenda within the European Research Area. The CASA work package on Inclusiveness organises a number of activities to analyse, promote, and foster inclusiveness and representativeness. One of the tasks specifically supports countries to organise CASA SCAR National Meetings. The Greek bioeconomy forum aims to raise awareness about bio-economy and circular economy and promote the advantages and opportunities presented at local, regional and national level. Its aspirations include appealing to the Greek policy and business ecosystems. The Hellenic Agricultural Organization DEMETER has as a mission the scientific and technical support of the Ministry of Rural Development and Food to design and support the implementation of the national and European agricultural policy including bioeconomy. The GSRT has as an aim the development and promotion of an integrated strategy for research, technology and innovation in the bioeconomy as well.

Aiming to increase the visibility and the national engagement and to promote outcomes of SCAR, the Greek authorities engaged in SCAR with the support of the SCAR CASA project, organise this National SCAR meeting with a focus on EU and national developments and priorities of agricultural research and the bioeconomy. The meeting has the following specific objectives:

- to inform national bioeconomy policy makers and researchers in agriculture, forestry, fisheries, aquaculture, and other bio-based areas about SCAR, its bodies and activities;
- to improve information exchange and collaboration between delegates in different SCAR Groups and with national stakeholders, including from policy, research, and industry, and to increase insight into opportunities and advantages for Greece of being actively in SCAR;
- to inform about bioeconomy activities of different Ministries in Greece;
- to transfer experience in national bioeconomy and circular economy strategies from other European countries, and to inform about the update of the European Bioeconomy Strategy;
- to establish a national working group to formulate a national strategic plan.

The meeting can allocate 60-80 attendees. Participants will include Greek national delegates active in SCAR Groups and representatives of the European Commission, SCAR CASA project, Greek Ministries, Greek Bioeconomy Forum, and agricultural research and agro-industry. The working languages will be English and Greek; translation will be provided. There is no registration fee.

We will be very much delighted to have your attendance. Enclosed find a draft of the programme. Please let us know the attendees from your institution by the 10th of May by email to Dr. Loukia Ekateriniadou (ekateriniadou@vri.gr).

Organising Committee:

Chair: Dr. Loukia Ekateriniadou, member of the Executive Committee of the Strategy and Foresight Unit SCAR Collaborative Working Group Animal Health and Welfare (SWG AHW), Veterinary Research Institute, Hellenic Agricultural Organization DEMETER, Ministry of Rural Development and Food.

Co-chair: Prof. Kalliopi Radoglou, National Representative in SCAR, University of Thrace, Ministry of Education and Research.

Co-chair: Dr. Christine Bunthof, CASA Work Package 1 leader, Member of the European Bioeconomy Stakeholders' Panel, DG RTD, Manager Joint Programming, Wageningen UR, The Netherlands.

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Dr. Georgia Papoutsi, Researcher, Agricultural Economics Research Institute, Hellenic Agricultural Organization DEMETER, Ministry of Rural Development and Food.

Prof. Michalis Pavlidis, University of Krete, General Secretariat of Research and Technology, Ministry of Education and Research.

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CASA SCAR National Meeting Greece

24 May 2018, Athens, premises of the Institute of Mediterranean Forest Ecosystems and Forest Products Technology, Hellenic Agricultural Organization DEMETER, Greece

Enhancing the bioeconomy national strategy

National Meeting focused on agro-food sector and environment – transfer of European experience

Final Programme

9:00 – 9:30 Registration

9:30 – 10:45 SESSION 1

Moderator Dr. Loukia Ekateriniadou, Greek representative in SCAR Collaborative Working Group AHW

9:30 Opening and welcome, Dr. Loukia Ekateriniadou

9:40 Opening speech, Minister Sokratis Famellos, Ministry of Environment, Energy and Climate Change

10:00 Key Note Speech: Introductions to the Standing Committee on Agricultural Research (SCAR) and to the European Bioeconomy Strategy, Liutauras Guobys, Policy Officer, Bioeconomy Directorate, European Commission

10.45 – 11.15 Coffee break

11:15 – 12:45 SESSION 2

Moderator Prof. Michalis Pavlidis, Greek representative in SCAR Strategic Working Group Fish

11:15 Setting the Bioeconomy R&I priorities in Europe - Experiences from EC Committees and other Strategic Bodies, Prof. Emmanouil Koukios, Greece

11.30 The Bioeconomy Stakeholders Manifesto, Dr. Christine Bunthof, Wageningen University and Research, the Netherlands

11:45 Bioeconomy Strategy Development: international learnings and progress to date, Dr. Maeve Henchion, TEAGASC, Ireland

12:00 Bioeconomy strategy in Germany, Dr. Alexandros Theodoridis, Project Management Juelich, Germany

12:15 Bioeconomy strategy in Italy, Dr. Annalisa Zezza, CREA, Italy

12:30 Greek Bioeconomy Forum, Electra Papadopoulou, Greece

12.45 – 14:00 Lunch

14:00 – 16:15 SESSION 3

Moderator Dr. Christine Bunthof, Leader of Work Package on Inclusiveness in SCAR CASA

- 14:00 CASA - Aims, activities, and progress in supporting SCAR to increase impact, Hanna Steffens, Project Management Juelich, Germany
- 14:15 SCAR Collaborative Working Group AHW, Dr. Loukia Ekateriniadou, Greece
- 14:30 SCAR Strategic Working Group Forest, Prof. Kalliopi Radoglou, Greece
- 14:45 SCAR Strategic Working Group Fish, Prof. Michalis Pavlidis, Greece
- 15:00 SCAR Strategic Working Group Bioeconomy, Dr. Alexandros Theodoridis, Project Management Juelich, Germany
- 15:15 From Bioenergy to Bioeconomy: a Greek stakeholder's experience, Dr. Ioannis Fallas, Greece
- 15:30 Bioeconomy activities in the General Secretariat of Research and Technology, Dr. Agni Spilioti, Greece
- 15:45 Initiatives in Bioeconomy: The Postgraduate Program in Bioeconomy and the Laboratory of Bioeconomy and Sustainable Development, Dr. Constantina Kottaridi, Department of Economics, University of Piraeus and Director of the Bioeconomy and Sustainable Growth Laboratory, Greece
- 16:00 Bioeconomy entrepreneurship example: fishing trips. Georgios Lourdis, Private Body, Greece

16:15-16:30 Coffee break

16:30 – 17:50 SESSION 4

Moderators prof. Kalliopi Radoglou, Dr. Ioannis Fallas

- 16:30 Introduction to the discussion topics by the moderators
- 16:40 Topic 1: the role of stakeholders in planning and implementing the national bioeconomy strategy
Topic 2: strengths and opportunities of the national bioeconomy strategy
Topic 3: weaknesses and threats of the national bioeconomy strategy
- 17:25 Summarising of outcomes: rapporteur Dr. Constantina Kottaridi
- 17:30 Plenary discussion and next steps for continuation at national level
- 17:40 Closing speech and concluding remarks

8. NATIONAL MEETING IN ITALY, 29 MAY 2018

The Ministry of Agricultural, Food and Forestry Policies (MIPAAF), supported by SCAR CASA Coordination and Support Action and with the participation/contribution of Rural National Network, organised a national meeting to promote the outcomes of SCAR, increase its visibility and the engagement of national stakeholders. The one day meeting was held on 29 May 2018 in the premise of MIPAAF in Rome.

The Standing Committee on Agricultural Research (SCAR) is recognized by the European Commission and Member States as valuable coordination and advisory body on agricultural research and bioeconomy development. The CASA SCAR meeting gave the opportunity to bring together SCAR members and experts, representatives of the European Commission, national research bodies as well as stakeholders to discuss about agriculture research and bioeconomy issues and to participate into and benefit from SCAR activities.

Specific objectives of the meeting:

- Inform policy makers, researchers and stakeholders involved in agricultural research and innovation about SCAR, explaining opportunities and advantages of being actively involved in the SCAR bodies and initiatives.
- Trigger a process of coordination of actions at Italian and EU level, based on the existing national strategies and committees, with particular regard to the Italian Bioeconomy Strategy (BIC) and to the Plan for Innovation and Research in agriculture, food and forestry.
- Exchange views and perspectives on bioeconomy research and innovation in Italy, with a specific focus on the role of agriculture, food and forestry.

Organising Committee:

- Silvia Baralla, Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Forestry Policies – Research Office DISR IV, SWG Food Systems, Italy
- Christine Bunthof, CASA Work Package 1 leader, Member of the European Bioeconomy Stakeholders' Panel, DG RTD, Manager Joint Programming, Wageningen UR, The Netherlands
- Stefano Grando, Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Forestry Policies – Research Office DISR IV, CASA Task 3.7 leader SWG Bioeconomy, Italy
- Mara Lai, National Council for research in agriculture and economic analysis – Policies and bioeconomy, CREA PB; National Rural Network (RRN), Italy

- Serenella Puliga, Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Forestry Policies – Research Office DISR IV, CASA Task 3.7 leader, SCAR delegate, Italy
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Invitation letter

CASA SCAR National Meeting in Italy

29 May 2018

Ministry of agriculture, food and forestry policies, Rome

The Standing Committee on Agricultural Research (SCAR) is recognized by the European Commission and Member States as valuable coordination and advisory body on agricultural research and bioeconomy development. **The Ministry of Agricultural, Food and Forestry Policies (MIPAAF), supported by SCAR CASA Coordination and Support Action and with the participation/contribution of Rural National Network, is organizing a national SCAR Meeting. The overall aim of the meeting is to promote the outcomes of SCAR, increase its visibility and the engagement of national stakeholders.**

The one day meeting will be held on **29 May 2018 in the premise of Ministry of agriculture, food and forestry policies (Sala Cavour), Via XX Settembre 20, 00187 Rome**

Specific objectives of the meeting are to:

- inform policy makers, researchers and stakeholders involved in agricultural research and innovation about SCAR, explaining opportunities and advantages of being actively involved in the SCAR bodies and initiatives;
- trigger a process of coordination of actions at Italian and EU level, based on the existing national strategies and committees, with particular regard to the Italian Bioeconomy Strategy (BIC) and to the Plan for Innovation and Research in agriculture, food and forestry;
- exchange views and perspectives on bioeconomy research and innovation in Italy, with a specific focus on the role of agriculture, food and forestry.

The meeting gives the opportunity to bring together SCAR members and experts, representatives of the European Commission, national research bodies as well as stakeholders to discuss about agriculture research and bioeconomy issues and to participate into and benefit from SCAR activities.

You are invited to this event which would greatly benefit from the participation of representatives of relevant institutions, research centres, business sector and other stakeholders. Participants would gain a better knowledge of the SCAR system and activities while contributing to the discussion with their perspectives, expertise and knowledge.

The working languages are English and Italian. No simultaneous translation is provided



CASA SCAR National Meeting in Italy - 29 May 2018

From strategies to policies: the SCAR as an opportunity for policy coordination and advice in Europe and in Italy.

***Ministry of agriculture, food and forestry policies (Mipaaf)
Sala Cavour, Via XX Settembre, 20, 00187 ROME***

Programme

9:00-9:30 Registration

9:30-09:45 Welcome and introduction (Emilio Gatto, General Director of Rural Development Directorate - Mipaaf)

9:45-11:45 Session 1. Presentation of SCAR and Coordinated Support Action CASA (chairs Stefano Grandi and Christine Bunthof, CASA team)

- SCAR Overview (European Commission, Davide Amato)
- Presentation of some SCAR SWGs (Italian delegates): AKIS (Mara Lai, CREA PB), Bioeconomy (Stefano Grandi, Mipaaf), Food systems and Forest (Annamaria Marzetti, Mipaaf), Fish (Giuseppe Arcangeli, IZSVE); CWG Animal health and welfare (Marina Bagni, MoH); Foresight Exercise (Stefano Grandi, Mipaaf and Stefano Bisoffi, SCAR FE Task force)
- Activities of SCAR and Programme Committee SC2- H2020 (Stefano Bisoffi, IT SC2 deputy delegate)
- CSA CASA: aims, progress and background (Christine Bunthof, CASA team)
- CSA CASA study: Representation and inclusion in SCAR (Dorri te Boekhorst, CASA team)

11:45-12:00 Coffee break

12:00-13.30 Session 2. Parallel groups

Common themes: 1) What can SCAR do for Member State, Regions, stakeholders?
2) How can institutions and stakeholders interact with SCAR?

- Group 1: Focus on SCAR WGs (chair/rapporteur Mara Lai, CREA PB and National Rural Network)
- Group 2: Focus on ERANETs, JPIs and other coordination actions (chair/rapporteur Annamaria Marzetti, Mipaaf)
- Group 3: Focus on strategic vision: Bioeconomy and Foresight exercise (chair/rapporteur Stefano Grandi, Mipaaf and CASA team, Stefano Bisoffi, SCAR FE Task force)

13:30 - 14:30 Lunch break



14.30-14:45 Reporting from parallel groups

14:45-15:30 *Session 3: National strategies for research and innovation (chair Serenella Puliga, Mipaaf)*

- Strategic Plan for Innovation and Research – PSIR (Serenella Puliga, Mipaaf)
- Italian bioeconomy strategy – BIT (Annalisa Zezza, CREA PB)
- Regional strategies for R&I for agriculture and bioeconomy (Laura Bartalucci, Regional Research Network)

15:30-17:15 *Session 4: Improving coordination at national level*

Round table and open debate (contribution by EC, SCAR, National bodies, Regions, farmers' organisations and other stakeholders) (chair Anna Vagnozzi, CREA PB and National Rural Network).

Themes:

- Actions needed to improve coordination among institutions and stakeholders for research and innovation in the agricultural, food and bioeconomy fields
- Opportunities for national institutions and stakeholders to profit of SCAR to enhance national-level coordination and to trigger R&I actions in the frame of BIT and PSIR.

17:15-17:30 *Conclusions*

Organising Committee

Baralla Silvia, Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Forestry Policies – Research Office DISR IV, SWG Food Systems, Italy

Bunthof Christine, CASA Work Package 1 leader, Member of the European Bioeconomy Stakeholders' Panel, DG RTD, Manager Joint Programming, Wageningen UR, The Netherlands

Grando Stefano, Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Forestry Policies – Research Office DISR IV, CASA Task 3.7 leader, SWG Bioeconomy, Italy. *Lead contact for MiPAAF organizing committee.*

Lai Mara, National Council for research in agriculture and economic analysis – Policies and bioeconomy, CREA PB; National Rural Network (RRN), Italy

Puliga Serenella, Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Forestry Policies – Research Office DISR IV, CASA Task 3.7 leader, SCAR delegate, Italy

Vagnozzi Anna, National Council for research in agriculture and economic analysis – Policies and bioeconomy, CREA- PB; National Rural Network (RRN), Italy



CASA SCAR National Meeting in Italy

29 May 2018

Ministry of agriculture, food and forestry policies, Rome



Focus of the meeting

- inform policy makers, researchers and stakeholders about SCAR, explaining opportunities and advantages of being actively involved in the SCAR
- trigger coordination of actions, based on the main existing national strategies:
 - ✓ Italian Bioeconomy Strategy (BIC)
 - ✓ Plan for Innovation and Research in agriculture, food and forestry (PSIR)
- exchange views and perspectives on R&I for Ag&Be in Italy, among public and private stakeholders.

Specific attention to the involvement of **Regions**, farmers and agro-food business representatives, national public research centres.

4 Ministries invited (Agriculture, Health, Research, Economic development)

52 confirmed participants. About 70 expected

Session 1. Presentation of SCAR and CSA CASA

- SCAR Overview (EC); SCAR SWGs and Foresight
- CSA CASA
- Representation and inclusion in SCAR

Session 2. Three parallel groups discussing common themes

- 1) What can SCAR do for MS, Regions, stakeholders?
- 2) How can institutions/stakeholders interact with SCAR?

Session 3: National strategies for research and innovation

- Strategic Plan for Innovation and Research – PSIR
- Italian bioeconomy strategy – BIT
- Regional strategies for R&I for agriculture and BE

Session 4: Open debate: Improving coordination at national level

- Improving coordination among institutions and stakeholders for R&I in agricultural, food and BE
- Opportunities for national institutions and stakeholders to profit of SCAR to enhance R&I coordination in the frame of BIT and PSIR

9. NATIONAL MEETING IN POLAND, 14 NOVEMBER 2018

Aiming to promote outcomes of SCAR, increase the visibility, national engagement and provide a forum for exchange of national relevant background, the Polish Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development with the support of SCAR, organised a National SCAR Meeting focused on EU and national developments in the area of agriculture research and bioeconomy.

The meeting brought together the representatives and experts of different ministries, researchers, national research bodies, SCAR members and experts, representatives of the European Commission to discuss about agriculture research and bioeconomy developments and to participate into and benefit from SCAR activities.

The meeting had the following objectives:

- 1. To inform policy makers, researchers and experts involved in agricultural research and innovation about SCAR, its bodies and activities related to the European Commission and Member States;**
- 2. To promote the outcomes of SCAR, increase its visibility and increase insight into opportunities and advantages of being actively involved in SCAR bodies and initiatives;**
- 3. To present the potential of bioeconomy, exchange views on the Common Agricultural Policy and bioeconomy research.**

The working languages are English and Polish and interpretation was provided

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- Debrief presentation for SCAR SG 16 November 2018 (p47-49)





Agenda of the
meeting

SCAR National Meeting in Poland

National meeting in Poland disseminating knowledge about the European Commission's Standing Committee on Agricultural Research (SCAR)

Organizer: Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development and the Standing Committee on Agricultural Research¹

**Venue: Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development, Warsaw, Wspólna 30 Street,
room no 49/51**

14 November 2018, 09:30 – 16:00

The Standing Committee on Agricultural Research (SCAR) was established in 1974. Since its relaunch in 2005, SCAR at European Commission has grown to become a respected source of advice on European agricultural and wider bioeconomy research, along with being a major catalyst for the coordination of national research programmes. SCAR is recognized by the European Commission and Member States as valuable coordination and advisory body on agricultural research and bioeconomy development. It plays an important role in coupling research and innovation and in removing barriers to innovation, and aims to make it easier for public-public and public-private sectors to work together in delivering innovation that tackles the challenges faced in the bioeconomy area.

Aiming to promote outcomes of SCAR, increase the visibility, national engagement and provide a forum for exchange of national relevant background, the Polish Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development with the support of SCAR¹, organise a National SCAR Meeting focused on EU and national developments in the area of agriculture research and bioeconomy.

The meeting will bring together the representatives and experts of different ministries, researchers, national research bodies, SCAR members and experts, representatives of the European Commission to discuss about agriculture research and bioeconomy developments and to participate into and benefit from SCAR activities.

The meeting has the following objectives:

- 1. To inform policy makers, researchers and experts involved in agricultural research and innovation about SCAR, its bodies and activities related to the European Commission and Member States;**
- 2. To promote the outcomes of SCAR, increase its visibility and increase insight into opportunities and advantages of being actively involved in SCAR bodies and initiatives;**
- 3. To present the potential of bioeconomy, exchange views on the Common Agricultural Policy and bioeconomy research.**

The working languages are English and Polish and interpretation will be provided.

¹ with the support of CASA project under H2020



Timing	Content		Moderator
09:30 – 10:00	Registration/Welcome coffee		
10:00 – 10:10	Welcome speech	<p>Ryszard Zarudzki, PhD</p> <p>Undersecretary of State <i>Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development, PL</i></p>	<p>Justyna Cieřlikowska</p> <p><i>Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development, PL</i></p>
10:10 – 10:40	Setting the Scene		
10:10 – 10:40	Introductions to the European Bioeconomy Strategy and the Standing Committee on Agricultural Research (SCAR)	<p>Liutauras Guobys</p> <p><i>Policy Officer - Bioeconomy Strategy, SCAR Secretary</i></p> <p><i>European Commission, Directorate-General for Research and Innovation, Bioeconomy Directorate</i></p>	<p>Christine Bunthof, PhD</p> <p><i>CASA project, Wageningen University and Research, NL</i></p>
10:40 – 11:20	SCAR input on EU and national policies		
10:40 – 11:20	Working together with the Standing Committee on Agricultural Research in shaping EU policies	<p>Barna Kovács, PhD</p> <p><i>former SCAR Secretary, HU</i></p>	
	The BIOEAST Initiative – good example of CEE coooperation in the area of bioeconomy research	<p>Barna Kovács, PhD</p> <p><i>BIOEAST Secretary General, HU</i></p>	
11:20 – 11:30	Discussion with the podium speakers		<p>Christine Bunthof, PhD</p> <p><i>CASA project, Wageningen University and Research, NL</i></p>
11:30 – 11:45	Coffee Break		
11:45 – 13:00	SCAR Working Groups		
11:45 – 12:00	SCAR SWG “Food systems”	<p>Anastasiya Terzieva</p> <p><i>Member of SCAR SWG “Food systems”, French National Institute for Agricultural Research (INRA), FR</i></p>	



12:00 – 12:15	SCAR SWG “AKIS”	Anikó Juhász, PhD <i>Deputy Secretary of State Ministry of Agriculture, Co-chair of SCAR SWG “AKIS”, HU</i>	
12:15 – 12:30	SCAR SWG “Bioeconomy”	Alexandros Theodoridis, PhD <i>Chair of the SCAR SWG “Bioeconomy”, Forschungszentrum Juelich GmbH, DE</i>	
12:30 – 12:45	SCAR WGs and the role of CASA	Rolf Stratmann, PhD <i>Coordinator of CASA project, Forschungszentrum Jülich GmbH DE</i>	
12:45 – 13:00	Representation and inclusion in SCAR	Dorri te Boekhorst <i>CASA project, Wageningen University and Research, NL</i>	
13:00 – 13:15	Discussion with the podium speakers		
13:15 – 14:15	Lunch		
14:15 – 15:45	Good examples in Poland in the area of bioeconomy research		
14:15 – 14:45	Policy approach		
14:15 – 14:25	Roadmap for Circular Bioeconomy	<i>Ministry of Enterprise and Technology, PL</i>	Justyna Cieślukowska <i>Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development, PL</i>
14:25 – 14:35	Agri-food sector as a part of bioeconomy in sectoral strategies in Poland	Waldemar Guba , PhD <i>Director of Department for Analysis, Strategy and Development, Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development, PL</i>	
14:35 – 14:45	Regional development of the bioeconomy in Poland	Prof. Eugeniusz Karol Chylek <i>Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development, Polish Representative in SCAR, PL</i>	



14:45 – 15:25	Examples of research projects in the area of bioeconomy		
14:45 – 14:55	BioEcon - New Strategies on Bio-Economy in Poland	Prof. Wiesław Oleszek <i>Director, Institute of Soil Science and Plant Cultivation - State Research Institute, PL</i>	
14:55 – 15:05	Promoting more resource efficient agricultural practices through climate smart farming - the LCAGri BioStrateg project outlook	Jerzy Kozyra, PhD <i>Researcher, Institute of Soil Science and Plant Cultivation - State Research Institute, PL</i>	
15:15 – 15:25	Biofuel from Hemp Biomass	Assoc. Prof. Małgorzata Zimmiewska <i>Acting Director, Institute of Natural Fibres & Medicinal Plants, PL</i>	
15:25 – 15:45	Network as a tool for cooperation		
15:25 – 15:35	European Rural Development Network ERDN	Paweł Chmieliński, PhD <i>Researcher, Institute of Agricultural and Food Economics - National Research Institute, PL</i>	
15:35 – 15:45	Innovation network in agriculture and rural areas (SIR)	Janusz Dąbrowski <i>Agricultural Advisory Centre in Brwinów, PL</i>	
15:45 – 15:55	Discussion with questions		
16.00	Closing	Ryszard Zarudzki, PhD Undersecretary of State <i>Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development, PL</i>	



SCAR NATIONAL MEETING IN POLAND

SCAR National Meeting in Poland

National meeting in Poland disseminating knowledge about the European Commission's Standing Committee on Agricultural Research (SCAR)

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14 November 2018, 09:30 – 16:00

[1] with the support of CASA project under H2020



SCAR NATIONAL MEETING IN POLAND

Participants:

- ✓ The audience: the representatives and experts of different ministries, researchers, national research bodies, SCAR members and experts, representative of the European Commission
- ✓ 60 people participated in the meeting





SCAR NATIONAL MEETING IN POLAND

The meeting's objectives:

- ✓ To inform policy makers, researchers and experts involved in agricultural research and innovation about SCAR, its bodies and activities related to the European Commission and Member States;
- ✓ To promote the outcomes of SCAR, increase its visibility and increase insight into opportunities and advantages of being actively involved in SCAR bodies and initiatives;
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16:00	Closing	Ryszard Zarudzki, PhD Undersecretary of State	

Justyna Cieślukowska
Ministry of
Agriculture and Rural
Development, PL



SCAR NATIONAL MEETING IN POLAND

The expectations and conclusions for Poland after the meeting:

- ✓ better knowledge on SCAR and its activities
- ✓ better involvement in SCAR work, both researchers, experts and governments
- ✓ better use SCAR outcomes in PL work, including shaping national policy





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10. BALTIC WORKSHOP ON SCAR AND BIOECONOMY STRATEGIES IN LATVIA, 4-5 APRIL 2019

The Latvian Academy of Sciences, in collaboration with the Latvian Ministry of Agriculture, Lithuanian Ministry of Agriculture, and Estonian Ministry of Rural Affairs, supported by SCAR CASA Coordination and Support Action, organised jointly a Baltic SCAR Workshop. The overall aim of the meeting: to promote the outcomes of SCAR, increase its visibility and the engagement of national stakeholders. The meeting was held on 4-5 April 2019 in Riga.

The Standing Committee on Agricultural Research (SCAR) is recognized by the European Commission and Member States as valuable coordination and advisory body on agricultural research and bioeconomy development. The CASA SCAR meeting gave the opportunity to bring together SCAR members and experts, representatives of the European Commission, representatives of relevant institutions, research centres, business sector and other stakeholders from all three Baltic countries to discuss about agriculture research and bioeconomy issues and to participate into and benefit from SCAR activities.

Specific objectives of the meeting:

- inform policy makers, researchers and stakeholders involved in agricultural research and innovation about SCAR, explaining opportunities and advantages of being actively involved in the SCAR bodies and initiatives;
- to initiate discussion on needs/gaps of national Bioeconomy Strategies;
- to activate support mechanisms for Baltic countries, drawn among others on good practices, expertise and guidance;
- to foster preparation / implementation of dedicated Bioeconomy Strategies in the Baltic countries, thereby increasing the number of EU Member States with a national Bioeconomy Strategy;
- to strengthen Baltic international cooperation.

Organising Committee

- Prof. Baiba Rivza, Latvian Academy of Sciences. Member of SCAR FOREST
- Dr Christine Bunthof, Wageningen University and Research, Netherlands. SCAR CASA WP Representativeness
- Dr Jean-Marc Chourot, Ministry of Agriculture and Food, France. SCAR CASA WP Communication

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Available through the SCAR Website:

- Presentations and Welcome Speech
- Speakers Booklet
- Poster List and Posters
- Participant List

Included on the next pages:

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THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE
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OF LITHUANIA

BALTIC WORKSHOP ON SCAR AND BIOECONOMY STRATEGIES

4-5 April 2019, Riga

Venue: Hotel Mercure Riga Centrum and Latvian Academy of Sciences

The Standing Committee on Agricultural Research (SCAR) is recognized by the European Commission and Member States as valuable coordination and advisory body on agricultural research and bioeconomy development. **The Latvian Academy of Sciences, in collaboration with the Latvian Ministry of Agriculture, Lithuanian Ministry of Agriculture, and Estonian Ministry of Rural Affairs, supported by SCAR CASA Coordination and Support Action, organize jointly a Baltic SCAR Workshop. The overall aim of the meeting is to promote the outcomes of SCAR, increase its visibility and the engagement of national stakeholders.**

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- to activate support mechanisms for Baltic countries, drawn among others on good practices, expertise and guidance;
- to foster preparation / implementation of dedicated Bioeconomy Strategies in the Baltic counties, thereby increasing the number of EU Member States with a national Bioeconomy Strategy;
- to strengthen Baltic international cooperation.

This event brings together representatives of relevant institutions, research centres, business sector and other stakeholders. Participants will gain a better knowledge of the SCAR system and activities while contributing to the discussion on bioeconomy strategies with their perspectives, expertise and knowledge.

The working language is English.

Organising committee:

Prof. Baiba Rivza, Latvian Academy of Sciences. Member of SCAR FOREST

Dr Christine Bunthof, Wageningen University and Research, Netherlands. SCAR CASA WP Representativeness

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BALTIC WORKSHOP ON SCAR AND BIOECONOMY STRATEGIES

Final Programme

Thursday April 4, Hotel Mercure Riga Centrum, Elizabetes 101	
	Arrival
16:30	Registration and Welcome Coffee
17:00	Session 1: Introductions and Keynote <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Welcome by hosting organiser - Baiba Rivza, Latvian Academy of Sciences Welcome speech on behalf of Latvian Minister of Agriculture Kaspars Gerhards, by Head of Cabinet Janis Eglits Introduction to meeting by co-organiser Christine Bunthof, SCAR CASA Key note followed by Q&A: Introduction on the Standing Committee on Agricultural Research (SCAR) and on European bioeconomy policy - Liutauras Guobys, SCAR Secretariat EC RTD
18:30	Walk together to the restaurant
19:00	Dinner at restaurant "FOREST" Raiņa bulvāris 21, Rīga, LV-1050
Friday April 5, Latvian Academy of Sciences, Academy square 1	
8:30	Morning coffee
9:00	Welcome by the President of the Latvian Academy of Sciences - Ojārs Spārītis
9:05	Session 2: SCAR Working Groups, SCAR Foresight, and SCAR CASA (moderator: Christine Bunthof) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Introduction about SCAR Working Groups + brief presentations AHW, Fish, and ARCH by moderator SCAR Foresight – Elke Saggau, BLE, Germany, Foresight Group co-chair AKIS – Jean-Marc Chourot, Ministry of Agriculture and Food of France, Working Group member Bioeconomy – Alexandros Theodoridis, Project Management Juelich, Germany, Working Group co-chair Forest - Martin Greimel, Federal Ministry for Sustainability and Tourism of Austria, Working Group co-chair Food Systems – Alvija Šalaševičienė, Kaunas University of Technology, Lithuania, Working Group member Sustainable Animal Production – Elke Saggau on behalf of Bernhard Polten CASA – Coordination & Support Action for SCAR – Rolf Stratmann, SCAR CASA
10:30	Coffee break
11:00	Session 3: Bioeconomy Strategies in Baltic countries: Context and Scope (moderator: Baiba Rivza) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Latvia – Irina Pilvere, Rector of Latvia University of Life Sciences and Technology Lithuania – Dalia Miniataite, Ministry of Agriculture of Lithuania Estonia – Helena Pärenson, Ministry of Rural Affairs of Estonia
11:45	Session 4: Research Programming (moderator: Baiba Rivza) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The making of Strategic Research Agendas - Christine Bunthof, Wageningen University & Research, The Netherlands EU Framework Programmes for Research & Innovation - Janis Ancans Coordinator of Horizon 2020 NCP of Latvia
12:15	Lunch break
13:15	Session 5: Poster session Pitch presentations by researchers and PhD students in the poster display room
13:45	Session 6: Needs, gaps and opportunities for Baltic Bioeconomy (moderator: Maarja Malm) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Position of Latvian Ministry of Agriculture – Ainars Nabels-Sneiders, Ministry of Agriculture of Latvia Building Bioeconomy strategy, case Turkey - Canan Göksu Sürücü, Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry of Turkey Building International Relationships as part of developing the Bioeconomy, case example Canada – Murray McLaughlin Education on Bioeconomy - Baiba Rivza, Latvian Academy of Sciences
14:45	Conclusions and recommendation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reflection on workshop and outcomes – Jean-Marc Chourot, SCAR CASA Final conclusions and closing of meeting - Baiba Rivza, Latvia Academy of Sciences
15:00	End of Meeting

