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## Why is Inno4Grass important?

An increasing world population, together with shrinking resources of production areas, will change future food demands and will therefore require a rethink of established **best practices on grasslands** worldwide. The implementation of **innovative systems** on productive grasslands is becoming compulsory to increase profitability on European grassland farms to preserve environmental values.

Shared **Innovation Space** for Sustainable Productivity of **Grasslands** in Europe

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## What is Inno4Grass?

Inno4Grass aims at establishing innovations on productive grasslands through a better **knowledge exchange** between practice and science.

Inno4Grass is a European thematic network of 20 partners from 8 countries: **Germany, Ireland, the Netherlands, Belgium, France, Sweden, Italy and Poland.** It is led by the Centre for Grassland in Germany.

## How does Inno4Grass work?

Inno4Grass combines many different stakeholders such as **farmers, researchers, advisors and teachers** all over the partner countries. A network of 16 Facilitator Agents will serve as a backbone between science and practice and will enable cross-border **knowledge collection and sharing.**

## How can you participate?

All knowledge and information about Inno4Grass is published and made available.

### Join us and take part!

- Video Clips
- Practice Abstracts
- Technical Leaflets
- Information Management System (IMS)
- Open Days and Events
- Online Discussion Groups
- Practice and Science Meetings
- Training Sessions
- Cross Visits and Exchange Programmes

## Which topics are relevant?

The Inno4Grass topics are fully in line with the outcomes of the agricultural European Innovation Partnership (EIP-AGRI) Focus Group »Permanent Grasslands« that identified the **need for innovations.**

These topics are:

- **Improve** profitability and competitiveness of grassland-based dairy, beef and sheep farming.
- **Use** grassland vegetation to produce high-quality products for human consumption.
- **Focus** on sustainable fodder protein production: optimisation of grazing and cutting systems, reduction of input use and production costs.
- **Enhance** sustainability of grassland systems: effective manure management, ecosystem services as a contribution to biodiversity, landscape protection and carbon storage.