SmartAgriHubs
Support for the transition into smart agriculture

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Consolidate and foster EU-wide network of Ag DIHs to enhance digital transformation for sustainable farming and food production

Overall objective
SAH Positioning: bridge public-private funding

This project has received funding from the European Union’s Horizon 2020 research and innovation programme under grant agreement Nº 818182.
Agricultural Digital Innovation Hubs

- Acts as one-stop-shop in proximity of the farmers
- Support facility for companies (SMEs)
- Enables access to the latest knowledge, expertise, and technology
- Stimulate & promote digital transformation in Agriculture
- Provides connection with investors
- Already exist on the ground
Digital Innovation Hubs
Innovation Services

Ecosystem
• Community building
• Strategy development
• Ecosystem learning
• Project development
• Lobbying

Technology
• Technical support on scale-up
• Provision of technology infrastructure
• Testing and validation
• Strategic RDI
• Contract research

Business
• Incubator/accelerator support
• Access to finance
• Skills and education

General information about DIHs:
Digital Innovation Hub – Network of local stakeholders

- Incubators
- Government
- Cooperatives
- Farmer communities
- Investors
- Others
- Other DIHs

Competence Centre
- Other Competence Centres
- Advisories
- Research organisations
- Start-ups
- Education & training institutes
- Large companies
- Industry associations

Orchestrator

DIHs – Access to (EU) State of the Art
Connecting the Dots

Innovation Portal for connecting DIHs EU-wide with:

- Other DIHs and their services
- Competence Centres
- Innovation Experiments
- Re-usable components
- Test and demonstration Farms

➔ To facilitate DIH services
SmartAgriHubs in numbers

- 48 months project
- Funded by EC (20 M€)
- Partners all over EU
- Network of Networks

**Key Regional Enabler: Digital Innovation Hubs**

- **Ecosystem**
  - 164 Partners
  - Involved covering all EU
  - 68 partners are SMEs
  - 54% of budget allocated to SMEs

- **Digital Innovation hubs**
  - 249 DIHs in the existing Network
  - covering all 28 Member States
  - Regional Approach
  - 9 Regional Clusters
  - Attracted 151 New DIHs

- **Flagship innovation experiments**
  - 55 Innovation Experiments
  - 22 Countries involved
  - 13 Cross-border collaboration FIEs (24%)

- **Impact**
  - 30M additional funding
  - Mobilized from other sources (public, regional, national and private)
  - 80 new digital solutions
  - Introduced into the market
  - 2M Farms involved in digitisation

- **Open Calls**
  - 6M Euros distributed through Open Calls
  - 75% Open Call budget to SMEs
  - 15 hackathons since 2020
  - 12 projects funded since 2020
Connecting the dots – from EU to Global

- SmartAgriHubs built on Open Innovation
- SmartAgriHubs for Africa:
  - Connecting African DIHs to SmartAgriHubs Network
  - Making EU experience accessible for African DIHs
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