

5th Conference
of the Italian Association of Agricultural and Applied Economics

PRE-CONFERENCE

*The role of research in agriculture and the implementation
of the European Innovation Partnership "Agricultural Productivity and Sustainability"*

16 June 2016

Agricultural Campus - University of Bologna
Viale Fanin, 44 - 40127 Bologna

Target Audience:

The preconference targets policymakers, academics, farmers, advisors, food industry, banks/funders, and other stakeholders. Participants are invited to listen state of the art insights about the role of research and the implementation of the EIP Agri in various regions in Europe, as well as sharing their experience about ongoing initiatives, including bringing information from their research and innovation projects through a dedicated poster session.

Objectives:

The European Union's strategy 'Europe 2020' for smart, sustainable and inclusive growth sets the strengthening of research and innovation as one of its five main objectives. Following this approach, the CAP post 2013 place a large emphasis on innovation. Among other initiatives, the European Innovation Partnership was launched in 2012 and actions aimed at boosting innovations play a key role in the Rural Development Programmes 2014-2020. Measure 16.1, launched in several countries/regions of the EU, implements Operational Groups. Specific objectives of the preconference are:

- presenting the state of the art about research and innovation role in agriculture
- discuss the role of the EIP in the wider context of research and innovation in agriculture;
- having a better insight into local implementations of the Operational Groups and Innovation at Member State level and in the framework of regional Rural Development Plans 2014-2020;
- understanding the interactive approach between researchers, policy makers and market actor supported by the EIP.

Programme

9.00-9.30 am	<i>Registration and welcome coffee</i>
9.30-9.40 am	Welcome and Opening Vice Rector for research/Head of Department and D. Viaggi , University of Bologna
9.40-10.10 am	Research, Innovation and agricultural productivity P. Midmore , Coordinator of FP7 IMPRESA project
10.10-10.40 am	European Innovation Partnership 'Agricultural Productivity and Sustainability' R. Passero, MiPAAF
10.40-11.45 am	Regional and country experiences with Operational Groups in Measure 16.1 of RDPs 2014-2020: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Emilia-Romagna (G. Cargioli, RER)• Other Italian Regions t.b.c.• Italian Rete Rurale activities connected to the EIP (A. Vagnozzi, CREA)• Austria• Germany (Annette Piorr, ZALF and Anita Bebleck, Agrathear)• Other countries t.b.c.
11.45 am -12.30 pm	Discussion/Conclusions
12.30-1.30 pm	<i>Lunch</i>
9.00-1.30 pm	Poster session about research and innovation projects: participants are invited to bring one or more posters about their ongoing research and innovation projects.

HOW TO REGISTER TO THE PRE-CONFERENCE

Participation to the Pre-conference is **free of charge**.

If you are registered for the AIEAA Conference and you indicated that you will participate at the Pre-Conference you do not need to register.

If you are not registered or if you are registered but also wish to present a project poster at the Pre-Conference, please register here: <https://eventi.unibo.it/preconference-aieaa-dipsa-bologna-2016>