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## Message from our President, Uno Svedin

Welcome to our second quarterly newsletter for 2024. Since our first one in April, much has happened in the EURAGRI - realm. A critical and visible set of activities over the last three months focused on the newly introduced webinar series.

The first one addressed "Rural Entrepreneurship in Delivering Sustainable Farming and Food Systems". The three webinars in the series had excellent speakers who explored different aspects of entrepreneurship and innovation. We have shared more details about this series of seminars below.

The second webinar series addresses the Climate Change Adaptation Challenge in the Mediterranean Region. The third and final one - Climate change adaptation in Mediterranean livestock systems – hosted by ACTA takes place on June 26th, 2024, 12.30 – 13:45 (CEST), 11:30 – 12-45 (WEST) (Details are available at <a href="https://www.euragri.org/euragri-webinar-series-2">https://www.euragri.org/euragri-webinar-series-2</a> - bottom of page).

Further webinar in the Euragri series are planned. We will keep you posted.

Less visible has been the hard work of the 29 invited presidents from European agri-foodenvironmental organisations, who are drafting a strategic policy position paper on the future of EU agriculture. The name of the process is the EU-DIALOGUE. The confidential agreement still binds me from saying very much more than that for the moment. Indeed, this agreement will remain in place until the process is completed sometime towards the end of the forthcoming summer.

The Euragri Board has met a few times in the last three months. It is progressing its work on our 2024 annual conference in the Autumn and our 2024 to 2026 strategy. If you have participated in our recent Zoom webinars, you will have seen the fruits of our planning activities. There are more to come.

I wish you all the best for the end of the spring period for your upcoming holiday season. If there are some rainy days you do not know what to use them for during the summer, you can always catch up on the webinar series!

All the best and kind wishes for your summer vacation - whenever it comes.

Uno Svedin

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Professor (retired) and Senior Researcher

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# Euragri – who are we?

Euragri, is a not-for-profit organization, is run by its members. It offers a unique platform for independent and robust discussions on the emerging challenges and the science-based solutions to a unified and equitable transition of the farming, food, forestry, and coastal sectors.

At Euragri, our members have a proactive mindset, always ready to complement the myriad of national, European, and international activities in natural resource management. Our size and operational ethos give us the flexibility and agility to respond quickly and effectively.



### Webinar Series 1

- Three Euragri members, SRUC, Teagasc and AFBI, hosted three Webinars to explore and demonstrate the contribution of rural entrepreneurship in enabling our progress towards achieving sustainable farming and food systems in Europe.
- The target audience was a cross-section of AKIS participants including farmers, advisers, researchers, policymakers, service providers (food processors/ feed compounders/animal health/ equipment providers, policymakers and students) and consumers.



Euragri Webinar Series 1 – Rural Entrepreneurship in Delivering Sustainable Farming and Food Systems Euragri Webinar Series #1 Rural Entrepreneurship in Delivering Sustainable Farming and Food Systems





Presenters:



**Prof Davy McCracken**, Challenges and Opportunities in the Uplands, the role of technology.

#### Video link

https://vimeo.com/935366835/c665365d5b



Jeremy Leggett, Highlands Rewilding and its role in promoting innovation and a sustainable natural economy.

#### Webinar Key Messages

www.euragri.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/04/SRUC-Webinar-Keymessages-12-March-2024.pdf



**Jackie Brierton**, Supporting diverse small businesses, social enterprises and the selfemployed in rural communities. Euragri Webinar Series #1 Rural Entrepreneurship in Delivering Sustainable Farming and Food Systems





#### **View Video**

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZEbWxRwIgVs

#### Webinar Key Messages

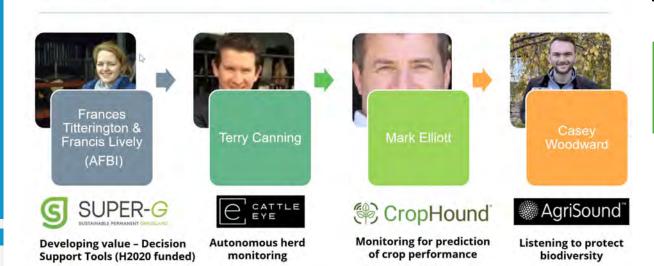
https://www.euragri.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/05/Teagasc-Entrepreneurs-Webinar-Key-messages-25-April-2024.pdf

#### Euragri Webinar #1 Rural Entrepreneurship in Delivering Sustainable Farming and Food Systems

AGRI-FOOD & BIOSCIENCES

Growing Value from Data Entrepreneurship on Rural Northern Irish Farms

Speakers



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#### Webinar Key Messages

www.euragri.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/05/The-AFBI-Webinar-Summary.pdf **EU-FarmBook (FB)** is a seven-year Horizon Europe project working at regional, national, and EU levels to build an online platform that will host the practice-orientated knowledge outcomes of EU-funded projects to meet the knowledge needs of farmers, foresters and their advisors.

**Euragri** is delighted to be one of the project's 29 partners as a sectoral ambassador to promote and develop the FB platform.

The innovative platform was launched earlier this year. Check it out - <u>https://eufarmbook.eu/en</u>

It is a work in progress with ongoing development to improve user efficacy and build content. We hope that you, as **Euragri members**, will contribute to the platform's success.

We will be sure to keep you posted on FB events and activities in future e-Zines.

ENAJ/EU – FarmBook Press & Networking Event Monday, July 8<sup>th</sup> 2024 Campus Coupure, Gent University

Details -https://welcome.eufarmbook.eu/event/enaj-eufarmbook-press-and-networking-event/





## Euragri Conference Back Catalogue

Research and Innovation Developments for Sustainable Food Systems EURAGRI Conference Dublin 23 & 24 November, 2023

https://www.euragri.org/conference-new/researchand-innovation-developments-for-sustainable-foodsystems/ EUROPEAN FOOD SYSTEMS' INNOVATION FOR RESILIENCE -THE SHORT AND LONG-TERM CHALLENGES DECIMINE OF OCTOBER 2022, ONLINE EVENT EUROPEAN FOOD SYSTEMS' INNOVATION FOR RESILIENCE - THE

SHORT AND LONG-TERM CHALLENGES Novi Sad, Serbia October 2022



BRINGING SCIENCE TO SOCIETY THROUGH CO-INNOVATION AND CO-CREATION - THE SOIL-HEALTH AND FOOD MISSION

Évora, Portugal, September 2021

https://www.euragri.org/conferencenew/european-food-systems-innovation-forresilience-the-short-and-long-term-challenges/ https://www.euragri.org/conference-new/bringing-science-tosociety-through-co-innovation-and-co-creation-the-case-of-thesoil-health-and-food-mission/



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