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Workshop Aims

PRO AKIS is an EU FP 7 project that investigates agricultural advisory services within the context of Agricultural Knowledge and Information Systems (AKIS). During the first year, the project team compiled an inventory of AKIS institutions in 27 EU member states with a focus on the functions of advisory services.

The aim of this workshop is to:

- present, evaluate and complement findings on AKIS and advisory systems in selected countries: Denmark, Estonia, Finland, Ireland, Latvia, Lithuania, Sweden and United Kingdom
- confirm results, identify controversies and discuss challenges for AKIS and advisory systems with AKIS stakeholders from the respective countries
- discuss and develop policy recommendations.

Workshop Registration

The workshop is organised by the Knowledge Centre for Agriculture.

For registration, please send an e-mail to Leif Raun at: Ifr@vfl.dk (phone +45 8740 5205).

The number of places is limited, so please await confirmation of your reservation before booking! Participation in the workshop is free of charge.

Detailed information on the venue, the hotel and transfer from the airport will be sent out with the confirmation of registration.

Country reports will be made available before the Workshop.

Workshop Agenda

Session 1: 18 February

12:30 pm - 01:30 pm Registration, Lunch Snack

01:30 pm Welcome to the Workshop

01:30 pm - 03:30 pm AKIS and Advisory services - results from the PRO AKIS inventory

Presentation and discussion

03:30 pm - 04:00 pm Break

04:00 pm - 05:15 pm AKIS and Advisory Services in specific countries

Poster presentation and group discussions to provide feedback on national

AKIS results and identification of transnational questions and issues

05:15 pm - 06:00 pm Challenges and controversies with regard to AKIS and advisory services

Plenary: gathering of group results and definition of topics for working groups

Session 2:19 February

09:00 am - 10:30 am **Topical challenges and controversies**

Working groups on selected topics

10:30 am - 11:00 am Break

11:00 am - 11:45 am Reporting and taking stock - insights and highlights from the

working groups

Plenary: presentation of workshop results and discussion with respect

to PRO AKIS inventories

11:45 am - 12:30 pm Conclusions and recommendations for advisory services and AKIS

in the addressed member states $% \label{eq:controller}% % \label{eq:controller}%$

Plenary discussion

Outlook on follow-up, Lunch Snack

