



Capitalisation of research results
on the multifunctionality of agriculture and rural areas

Multifunctionality of agriculture and rural areas: essential component for sustainable development?

Final seminar

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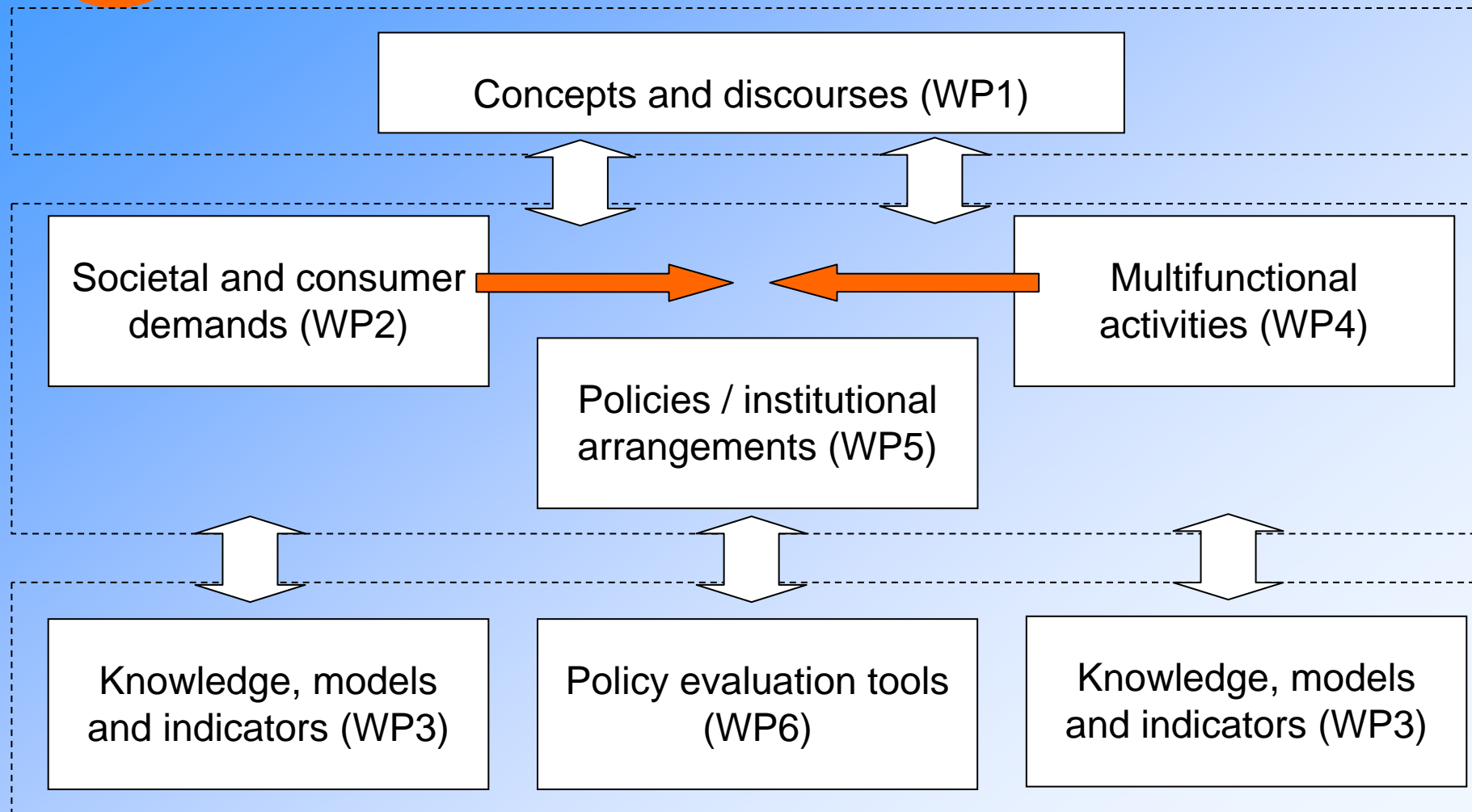
Critical questions

- Multifunctionality as a way to sustainable development?
 - clarification between the two notions
 - links between them
- What contribution of research for European policies?
 - ways to implement
 - ways to assess

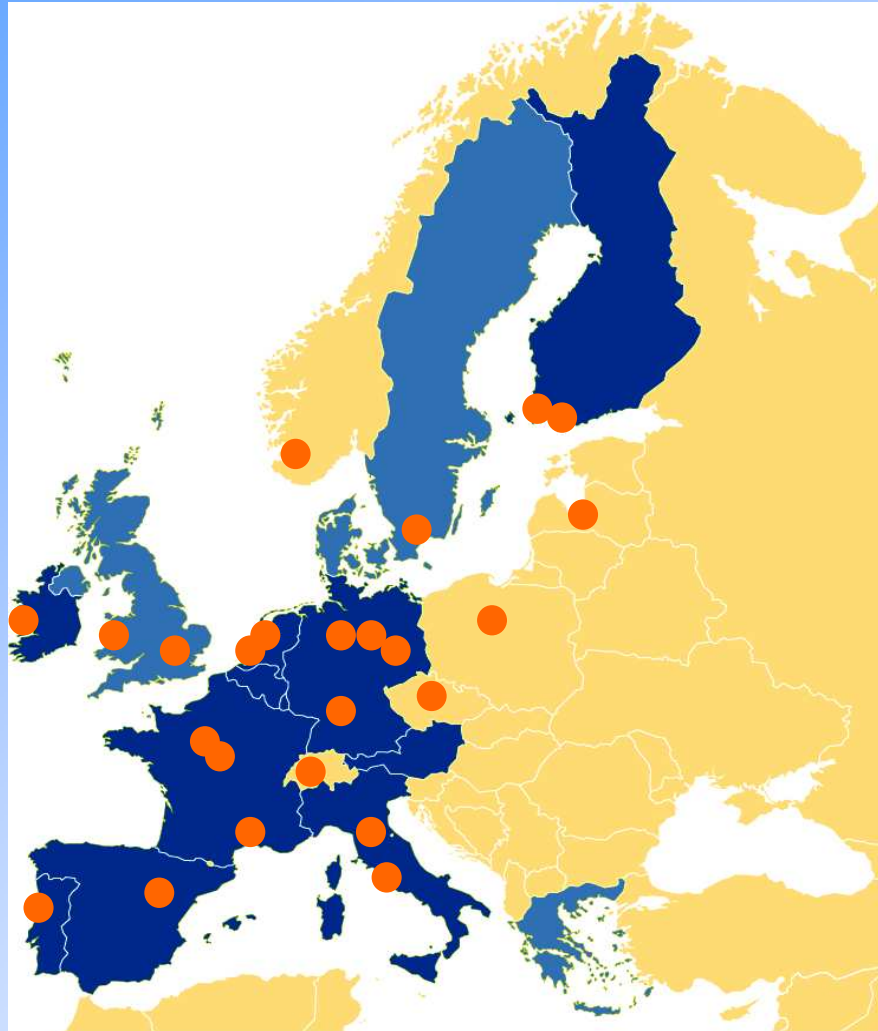
What is the Multagri project?

- **Goals :**
 - state-of-the-art
 - research gaps
- **EU project in the 6th framework**
 - duration: 18+2 months
 - 25 members from 16 countries
- **Products (available on www.multagri.net)**
 - reports
 - workshops
 - scientific publications

Conceptual and analytical thematic axes



Geographical coverage



Methodology

- **Step-by-step research activity**
 - national reports
 - synthesis or comparative reports
 - workshop to validate and discuss results with experts
 - final rep²rt with cross-cutting issues
- **Results presented through :**
 - analytical framework (conceptual)
 - implementation (tools and methods)

Challenges

- Limited time for such as vast subject
- Interdisciplinary survey
- Focus of the study
 - few research works dealing explicitly with the heading « multifunctionality »
 - difficulty to define the concept
 - fuzzy limits of the works to take into account



Goals of final seminar

Presentation and discussion of results and research gaps

- Morning: scientific results through cross-cutting issues
 - Multifunctionality: a concept for problem solving?
 - Can supply and demand be coordinated?
 - How can multifunctionality be implemented and assessed?
- Afternoon: how can research be useful for policies?
 - Summary of results and research gaps
 - Round table to discuss these with stakeholders