

Development and implementation of a result-based funding mechanism for carbon farming in EU mixed crop livestock systems

Objective:

reduce by 15% the carbon footprint of mixed crop livestock farms thanks to a result-based system









Mutualize knowledge of 50 partners to build a common framework for carbon offset mechanism and low carbon agricultural practices and facilitate carbon farming projects in Europe

ACTIONS

- Developing harmonized tools and standards: a whole farm sustainability assessment methodology and a common Monitoring, Reporting and Verification process.
- Training farmers and advisers.
- Applying mitigation practices across 700 3 mixed crop livestock farms and elaborating referential costs.

- Setting up a result based carbon 4 funding mechanism through 18 Carbon Farming Projects.
- Promoting low carbon measures 5 and disseminating carbon offset mechanisms.
- Structuring, building and promoting a European network and a common framework.

LIFE Carbon Farming

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The project involves 6 European countries:

Belgium, France, Germany, Ireland, Italy, Spain and 10 European partners: Idele, Teagasc, ATB, ASOPROVAC, CREA, CRPA, ULiège, Factor CO2, Neiker, I4CE.

These 6 countries represent a large range of production systems.







Environmental and sustainable assessment tools







tons ${\rm CO_2}$ avoided

EXPECTED RESULTS

- 700 demonstration farms generating carbon credits by implementing low carbon practices.
- Referential to assess mitigation costs and an engineering tool to facilitate Carbon Farming Projects.
- Greenhouse gas emissions mitigated by 630 000 tons CO2 eq allowing to reach the objective of 15%.
- An expected income from carbon market of € 6 300 000, from € 6 000 to € 12 000/farm.
- A European network of 78 advisers trained in tools and the Carbon Farming initiative.
- A common result-based rewarding mechanism as carbon finance is key to incentivise farmers and to expand low carbon initiatives.

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