



WEBINAR

Developing a Comprehensive Response to Climate Change for EU Farming Systems

Climate Change Vulnerability and Sustainable Adaptation Strategies

Monday, 16th March 2020



Our agenda today

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| 2:00 | Introduction Presentation of the LIFE <u>AgriAdapt</u> Project Patrick Trötschler, Lake Constance Foundation |
| 2:10 | Final vulnerability assessment of 120 pilot farms across Europe Nicolas <u>Métayer</u> , <u>Solagro</u> |
| 2:25 | Sustainable Adaptation: General Proposals per Farming System (over the four Climate Risk Zones) <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Arable Crops, Carolina Wackerhagen, Lake Constance Foundation• Livestock, Ragnar Leming, Estonian University of Life Sciences• Permanent Crops, Vanessa Sánchez, Fundación Global Nature• Synthesis, Sylvain Doublet, <u>Solagro</u> |
| 3:00 | Increasing farmer's adaption competence: the Adaptation Training Pack and <u>AgriAdapt Webtool</u> for Adaptation (AWA) Vanessa Sánchez, Fundación Global Nature Nicolas Métayer, Solagro |
| 3:25 | Closing Remarks Patrick Trötschler, Lake Constance Foundation |

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LIFE AgriAdapt

Principle Project Ideas

Demonstrate that the 3 main farming systems (livestock, arable and permanent crops) can be more climate resilient by implementing sustainable adaptation measures and strategies.

Show how climate change can be an important and powerful driver for the necessary shift towards a more sustainable agriculture



SPECIFIC OBJECTIVES



TO IMPROVE THE KNOWLEDGE BASE FOR THE DEVELOPMENT, ASSESSMENT AND MONITORING OF THE CLIMATE CHANGE VULNERABILITY AT FARM-LEVEL

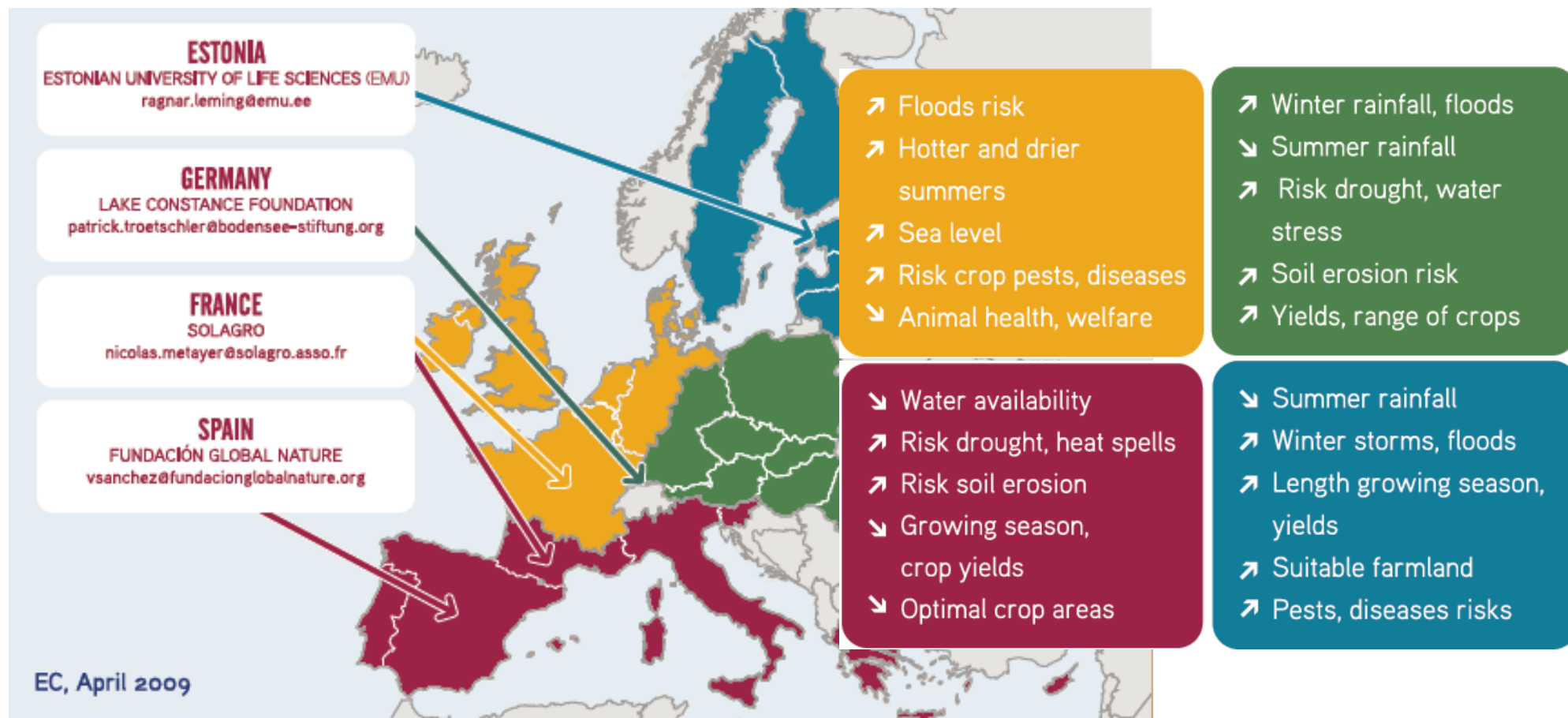
TO TEST SUSTAINABLE MEASURES AND MANAGEMENT APPROACHES ON 120 PILOT FARMS.

TO PROMOTE SUSTAINABLE ADAPTATION MEASURES BY DEMONSTRATING AND DISSEMINATING ACTIONS

TO RAISE AWARENESS AND KNOW-HOW OF CURRENT FARMERS AND FUTURE FARMERS FOR SUSTAINABLE ADAPTATION OPTIONS

TO CONTRIBUTE TO THE DEVELOPMENT AND IMPLEMENTATION OF EU, NATIONAL AND REGIONAL POLICIES ON CLIMATE CHANGE ADAPTATION

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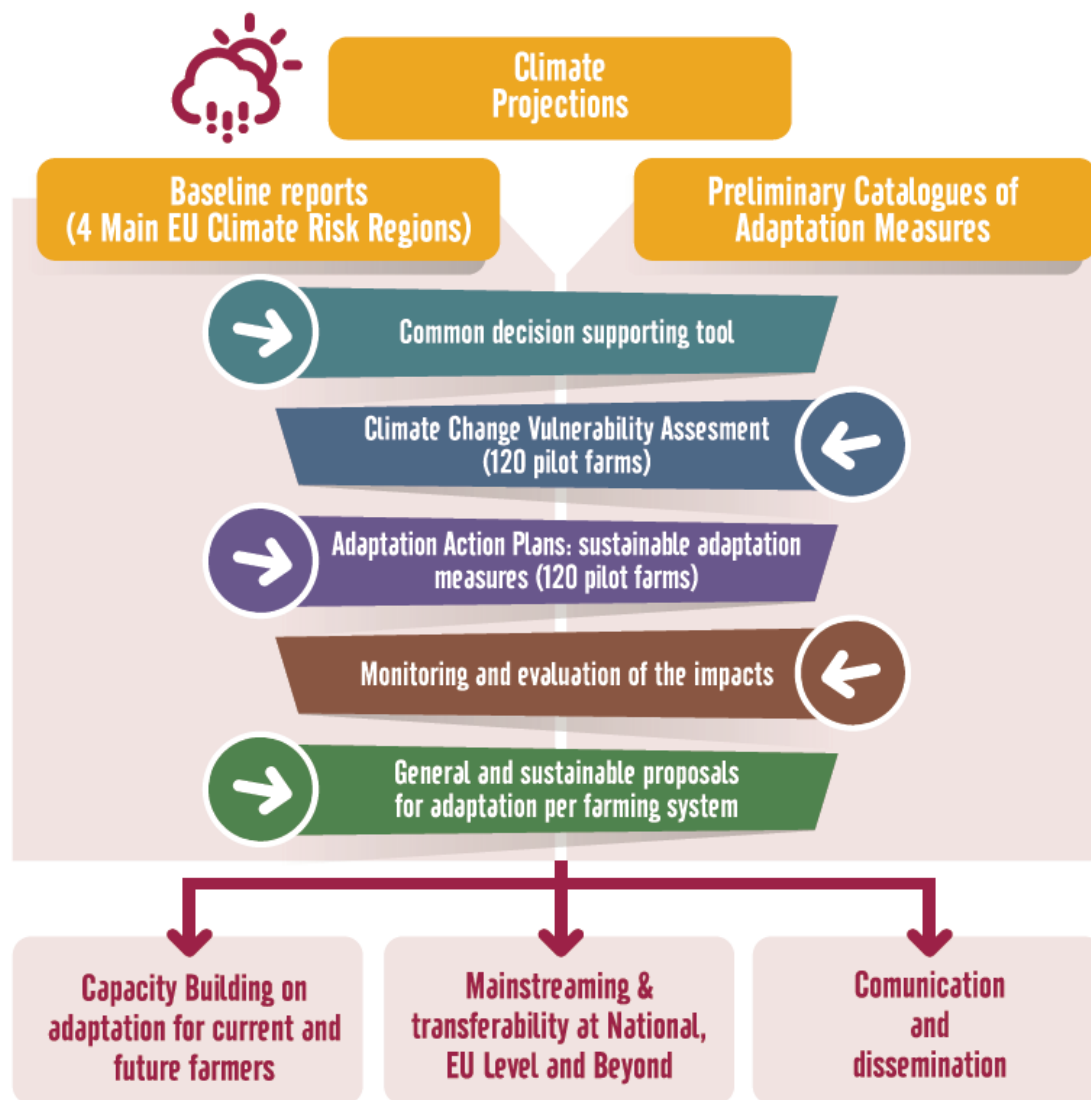


**4 PROJECT PARTNERS
IN 4 EU CLIMATE RISK AREAS**

**44 MONTHS
09/2016 – 04/2020**

**OVERALL BUDGET
2.150.000 EURO**

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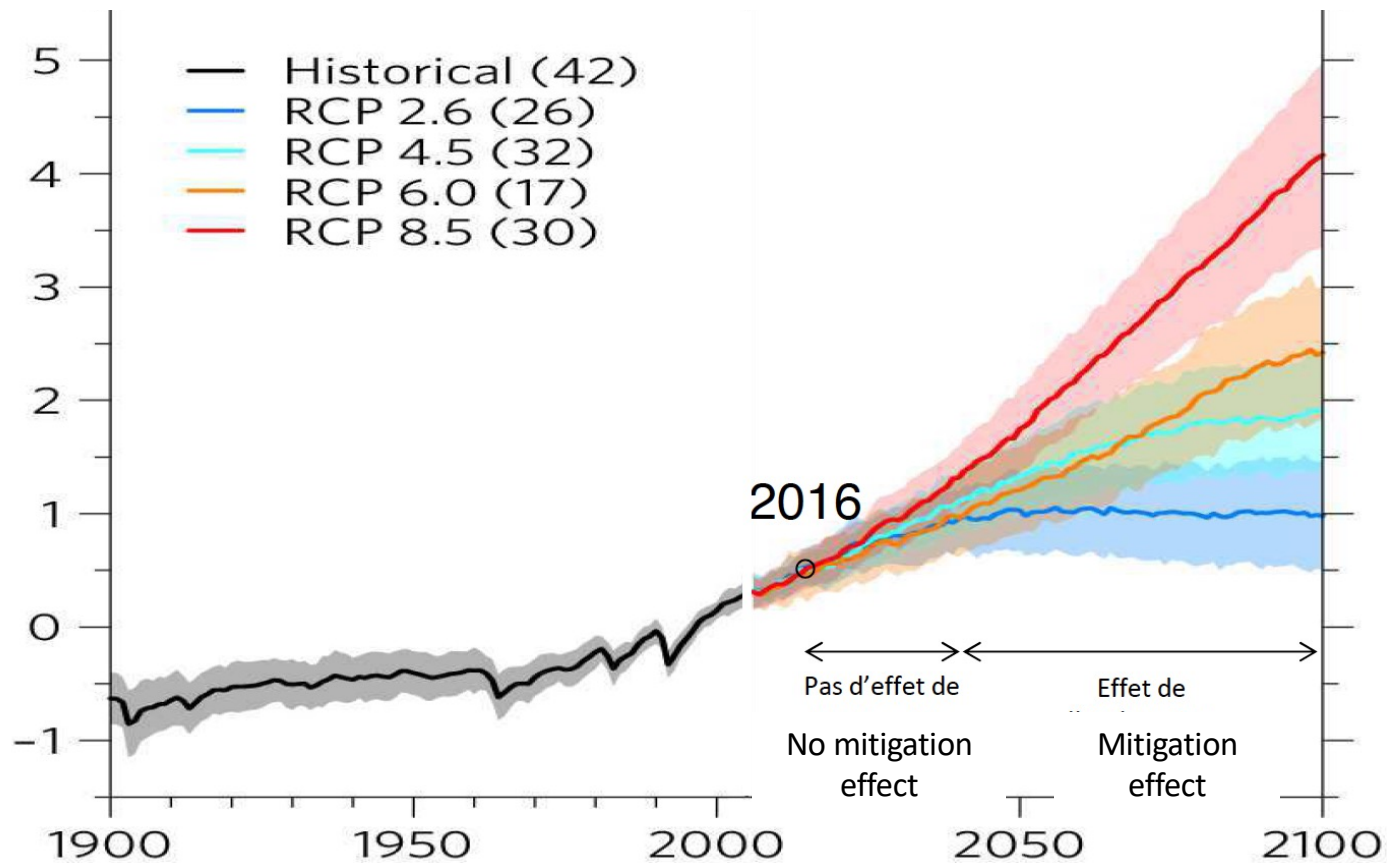


Final vulnerability assessment of 120 pilot farms across Europe

ADAPTATION & CLIMATE POLICIES

For the near future (time horizon 2050), few differences exist within the different RCPs scenarios which makes adaptation *a necessity* for farmers.

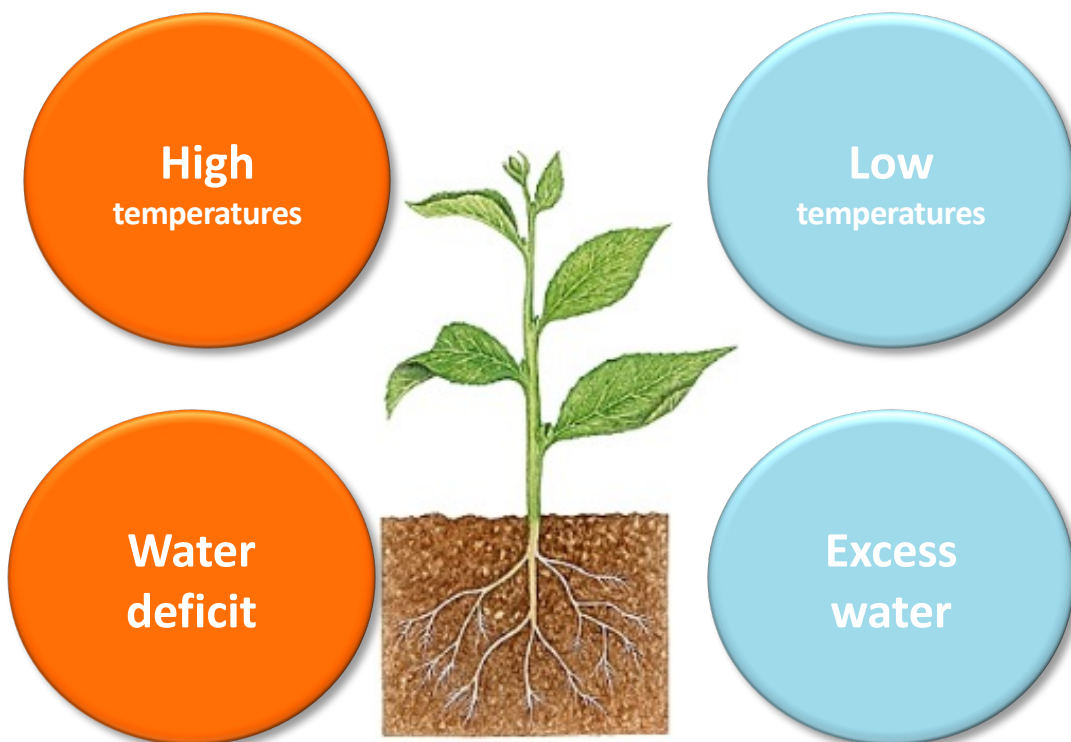
REPRESENTATIVE CONCENTRATION PATHWAY SCENARIOS
RCPs FROM IPCC AR5.



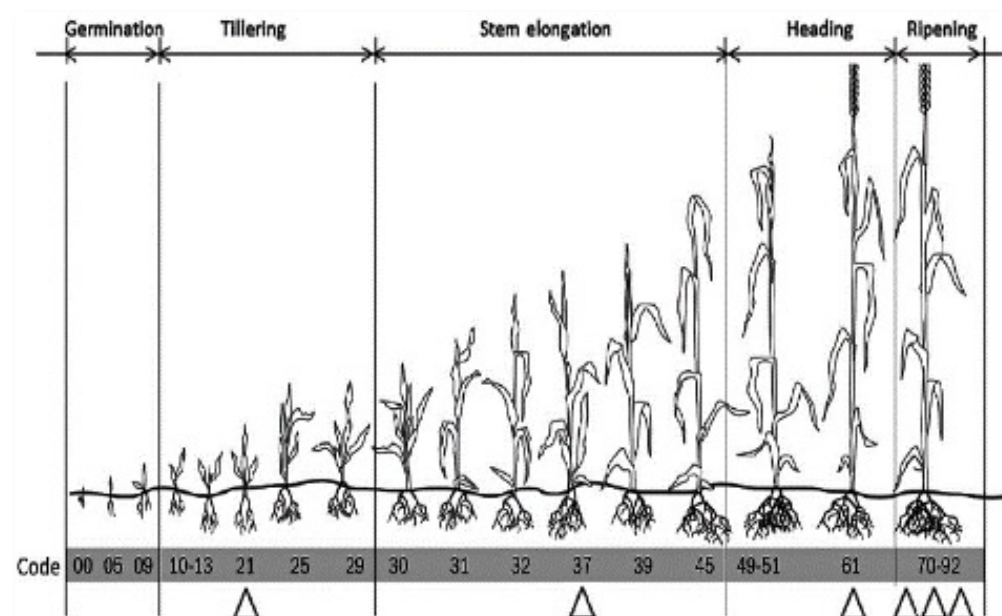
KEY CLIMATIC PARAMETERS FOR CROPS

From a physiological point of view, a crop needs for its development and growth: radiation, CO₂, an accumulation of high temperatures, an accumulation of low temperatures (for some of them) and water.

4 MAJOR WEATHER EVENTS



DEGREE DAYS: ENGINE OF PLANT DEVELOPMENT

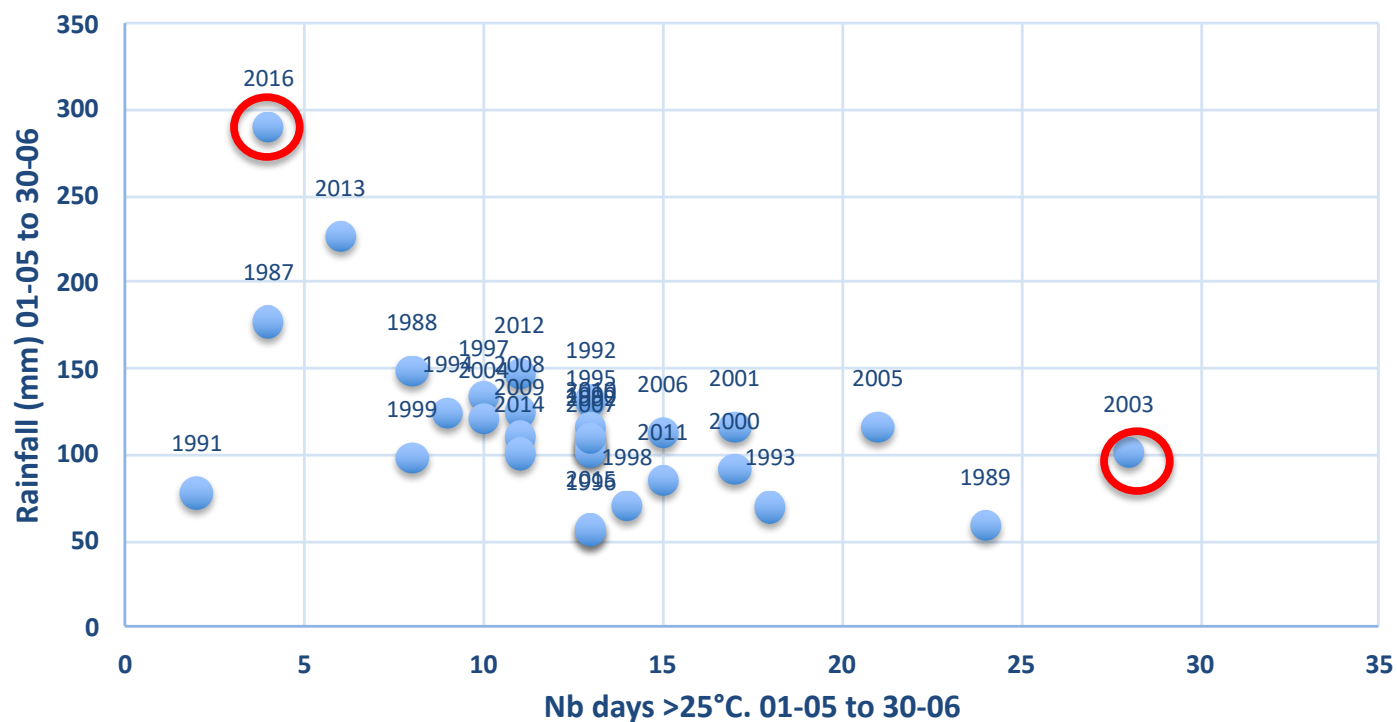


YIELD COMPILATION

Soft wheat - Marne (France)



Hydric and thermic stress (observations)

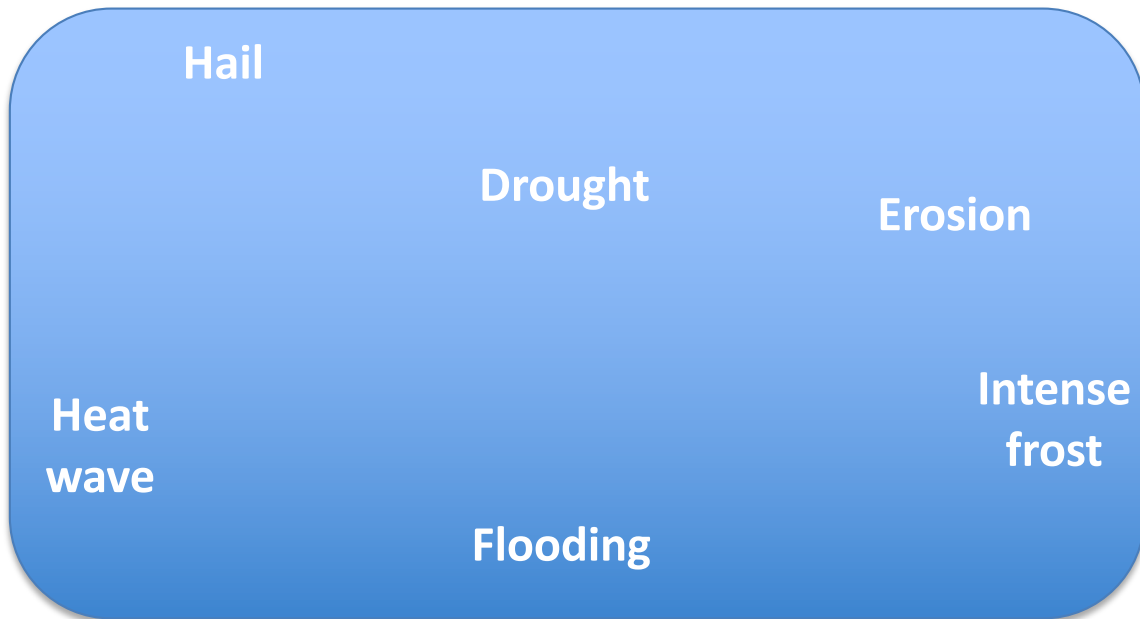


Yields 2000 - 2017

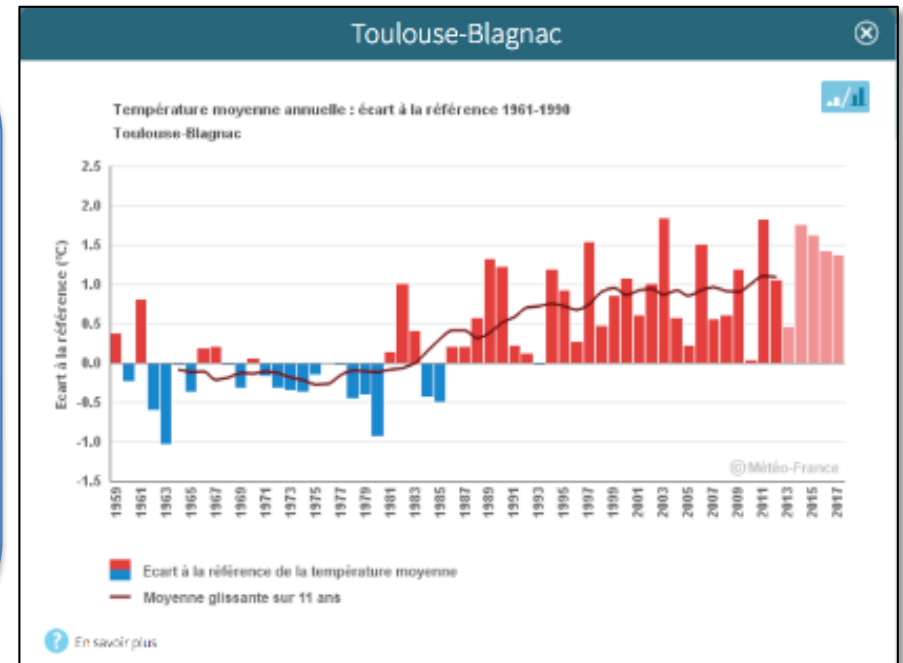
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| 2000 | 86,0 |
| 2001 | 84,0 |
| 2002 | 87,0 |
| 2003 | 74,0 |
| 2004 | 94,0 |
| 2005 | 82,0 |
| 2006 | 79,0 |
| 2007 | 80,0 |
| 2008 | 77,0 |
| 2009 | 89,0 |
| 2010 | 87,0 |
| 2011 | 84,4 |
| 2012 | 79,6 |
| 2013 | 88,1 |
| 2014 | 93,8 |
| 2015 | 95,9 |
| 2016 | 56,1 |
| 2017 | 81,0 |

FROM VULNERABILITY TO ADAPTATION: A LEARNING PROCESS FOR FARMERS

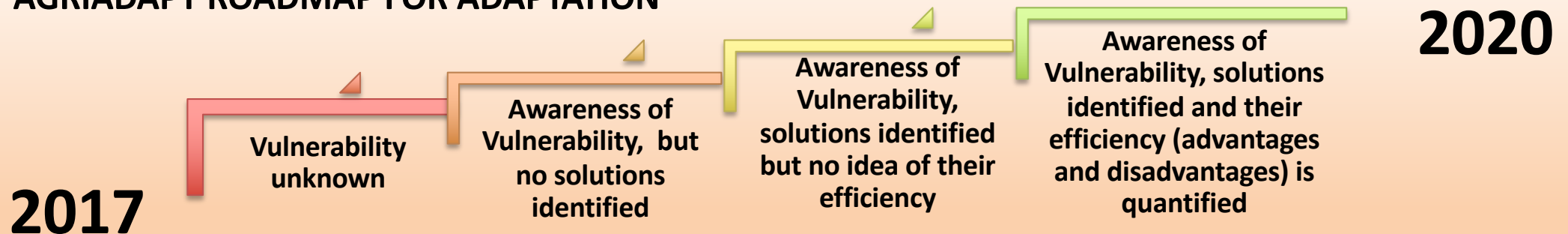
CLIMATIC HAZARDS...



... AND CLIMATE TRAJECTORIES



AGRIADAPT ROADMAP FOR ADAPTATION

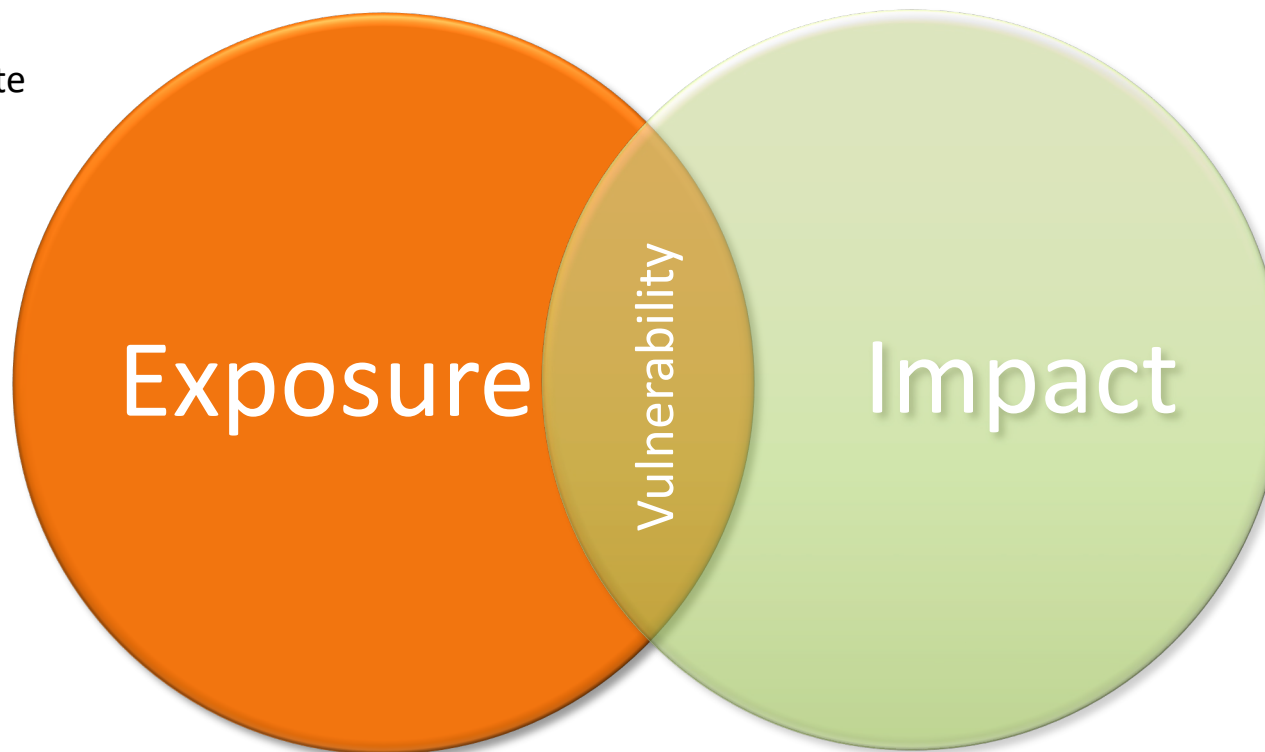


AGRIADAPT VULNERABILITY ASSESSMENT

The vulnerability level (or risk level) combine the probability of occurrence of climate stress (exposure) and the extent of the consequences (crop impact).

EXPOSURE

Frequency of climate stress
(i.e., key climatic parameters)



IMPACT OR SENSITIVITY

% of crop yield reduction experienced

$$\text{VULNERABILITY} = \text{EXPOSURE} \times \text{IMPACT}$$

AGRIADAPT VULNERABILITY ASSESSMENT

The assessment helps to prioritize the level of vulnerability.

No scientific unit to measure a risk. To assess the levels of Exposure and Sensitivity, qualitative evaluation through rating scale is required.

AGRIADAPT VULNERABILITY MATRIX

| Frequency | Exposure Score | | | | | | | |
|-----------|----------------|-------|--------|--------|--------|--------|-----|-------------------|
| >50% | 6 | 6 | 12 | 18 | 24 | 30 | 36 | |
| 41-50% | 5 | 5 | 10 | 15 | 20 | 25 | 30 | |
| 31-40% | 4 | 4 | 8 | 12 | 16 | 20 | 24 | |
| 21-30% | 3 | 3 | 6 | 9 | 12 | 15 | 18 | |
| 11-20% | 2 | 2 | 4 | 6 | 8 | 10 | 12 | |
| <10% | 1 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | |
| | | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | Impact Score |
| | | 0-10% | 10-20% | 20-30% | 30-40% | 40-50% | 50% | % Yield Reduction |

COMMON DECISION TOOL: RELEVANT POINTS

CROP YIELDS

- Regional level (statistics):
Annual yields for the last 15 years
- Farm level
(average, minimum and maximum)

CLIMATIC DATA

- Daily climatic observations (last 30 years)
for the Recent Past (RP)
- Daily climatic projections (30 years)
for the Near Future (NF)

COMMON DECISION TOOL

FARMER INTERVIEW

- Agronomic data, livestock,
economic and climatic data

CLIMATIC RISK SCORING

- Qualitative information
(agronomic experts and bibliography)
and quantitative information











CLIMATE DATA

AUTOMATIC CALCULATION OF MORE THAN 75 ACI

- **Generic indicators:** rainfall, , temperatures, etc.
- **Fodder indicators:** date for grass regrowth, date for 1st grazing , etc.
- **Cereal crops indicators:** end of cycle thermal and hydric stress, etc.
- **Summer crops indicators:** temperatures > 32° C, summer hydric deficit, etc.
- **Rapeseed crops indicators:** drought at sowing, etc.
- **Vineyards and orchards indicators:** date of late frost, Huglin index, etc.
- **Animal indicators:** temperature-humidity index, etc.



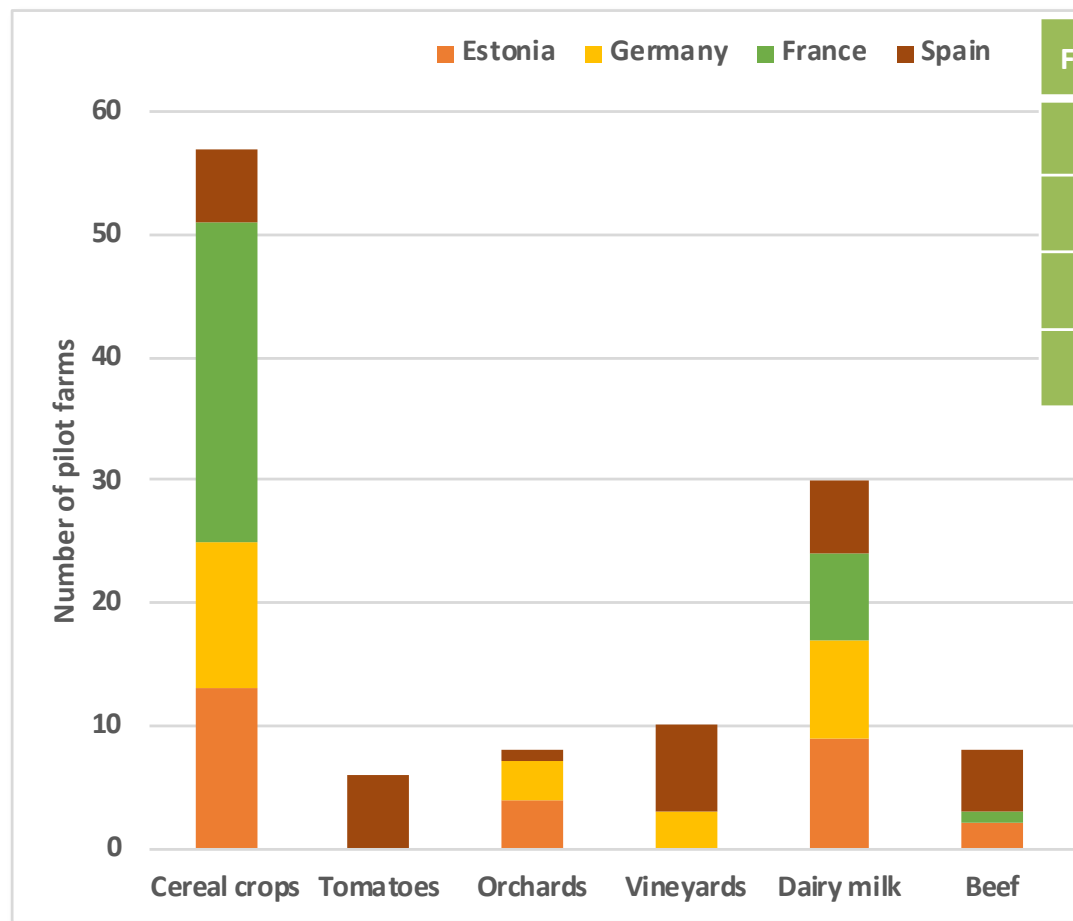
AgriAdapt pilot farms

-  Dairy
-  Arable Crops
-  Beef
-  Vineyards
-  Orchards
-  Tomatoes
-  Pork
-  Sheep

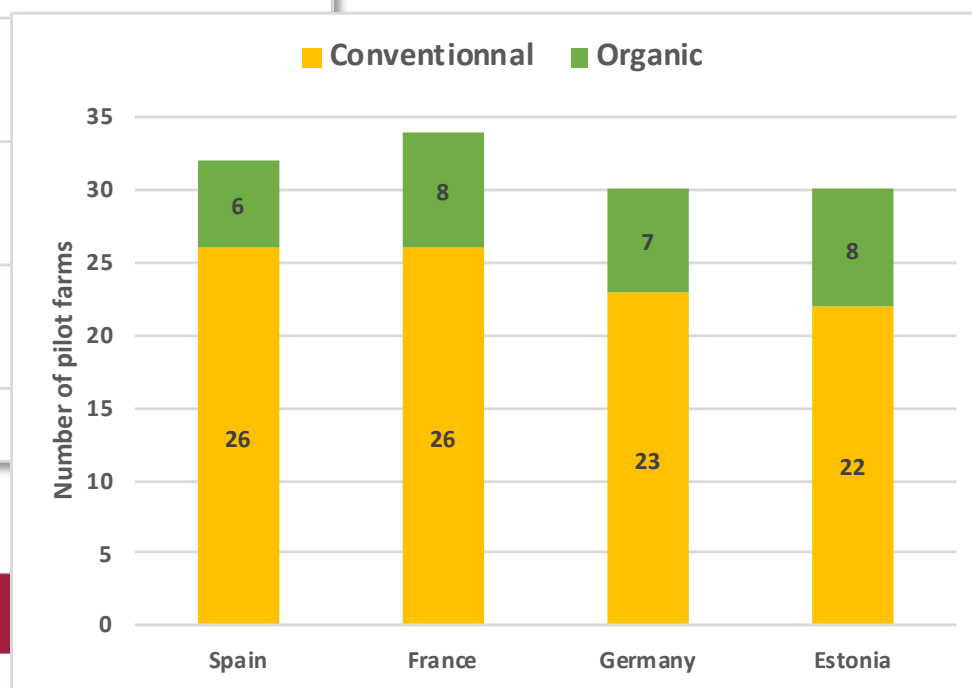


Pilot farms characteristics

- Farming systems, farm size, farming practices

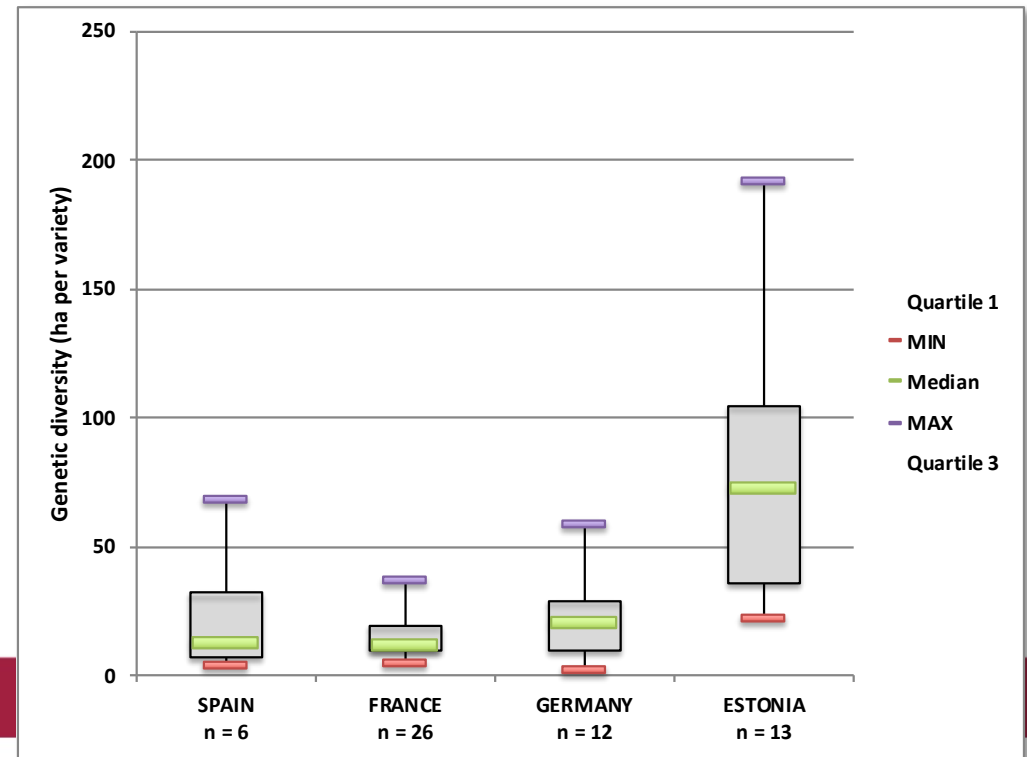
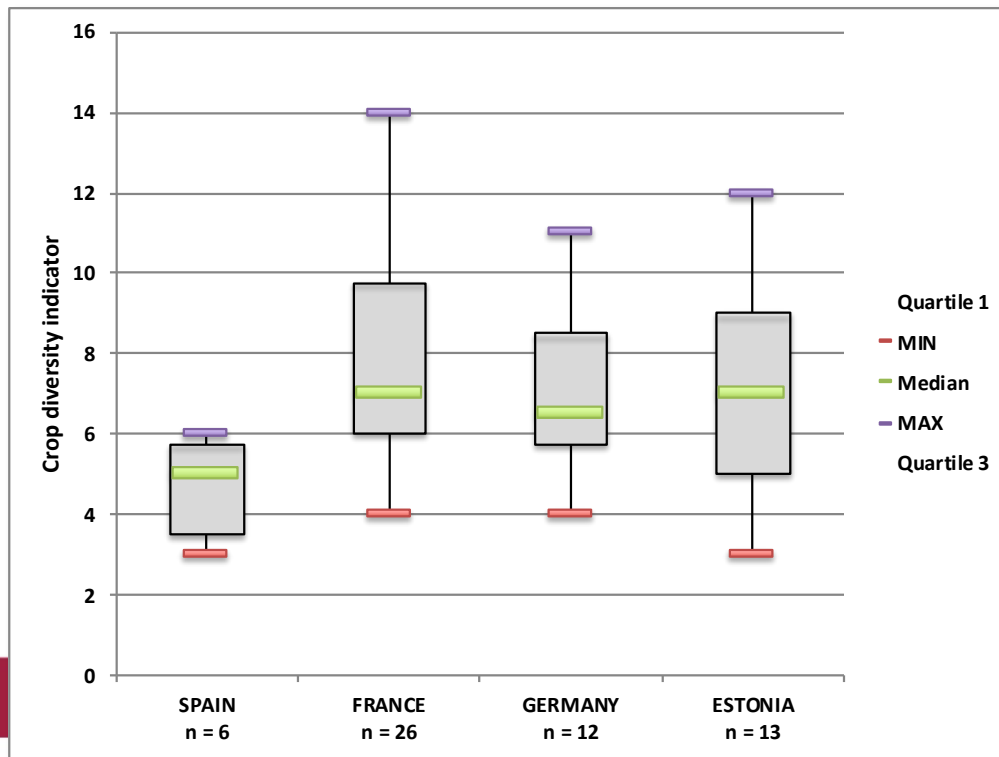


| Farm size (ha UAA) | Minimum | Average | Maximum |
|--------------------|---------|---------|---------|
| Spain | 1 | 235 | 1 715 |
| France | 48 | 164 | 380 |
| Germany | 6 | 113 | 322 |
| Estonia | 10 | 725 | 3 770 |



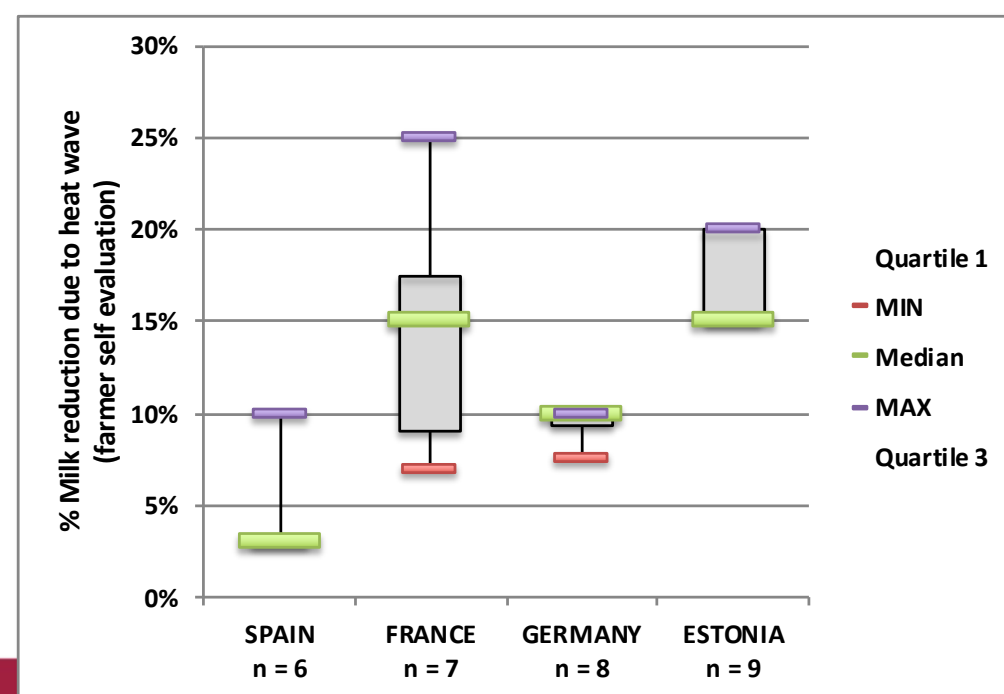
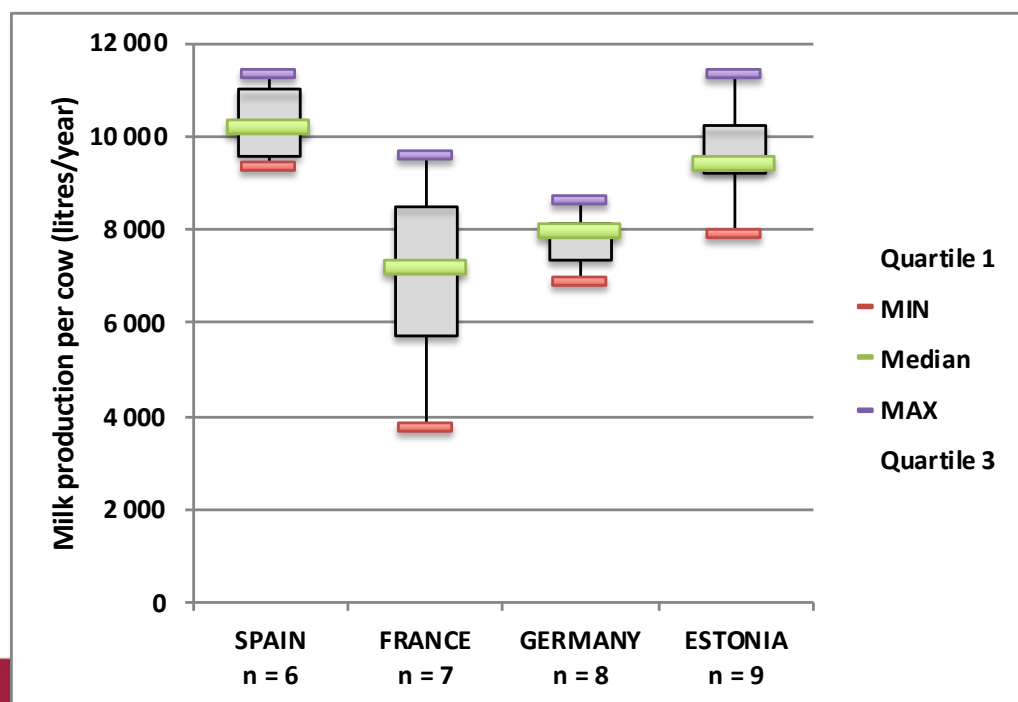
Cereal crop pilot farms

| Farm size (ha UAA) | Minimum | Average | Maximum |
|-----------------------|---------|---------|---------|
| Estonia (n = 13) | 65 | 1 026 | 3 770 |
| Germany (n = 12) | 31 | 185 | 527 |
| France (n = 26) | 76 | 160 | 380 |
| Spain (n = 6) | 11 | 146 | 400 |

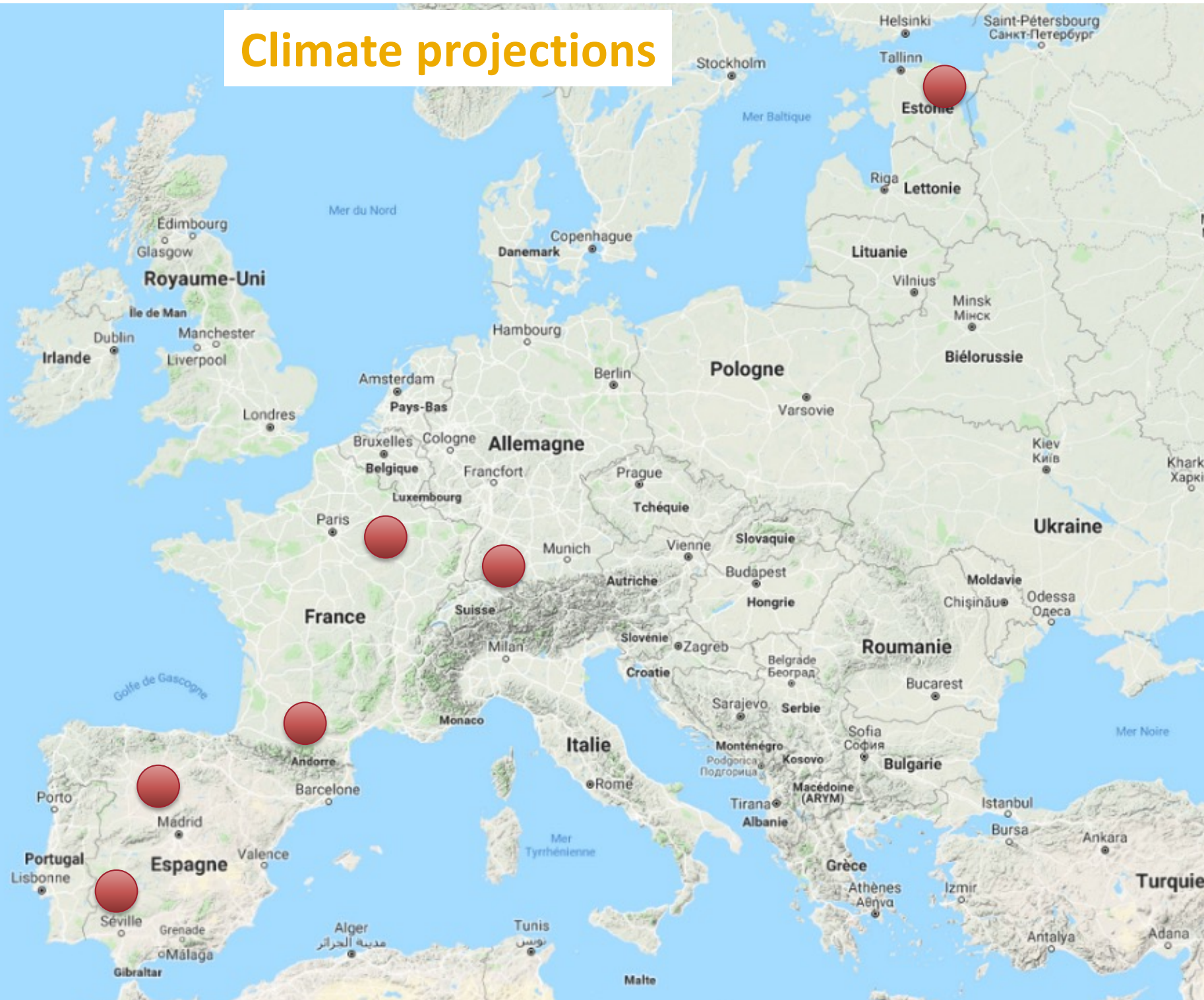


Dairy milk pilot farms

| Number of dairy cows | Minimum | Average | Maximum |
|----------------------|---------|---------|---------|
| Spain (n = 6) | 87 | 156 | 230 |
| France (n = 7) | 32 | 94 | 240 |
| Germany (n = 8) | 74 | 117 | 250 |
| Estonia (n = 9) | 65 | 448 | 1 819 |

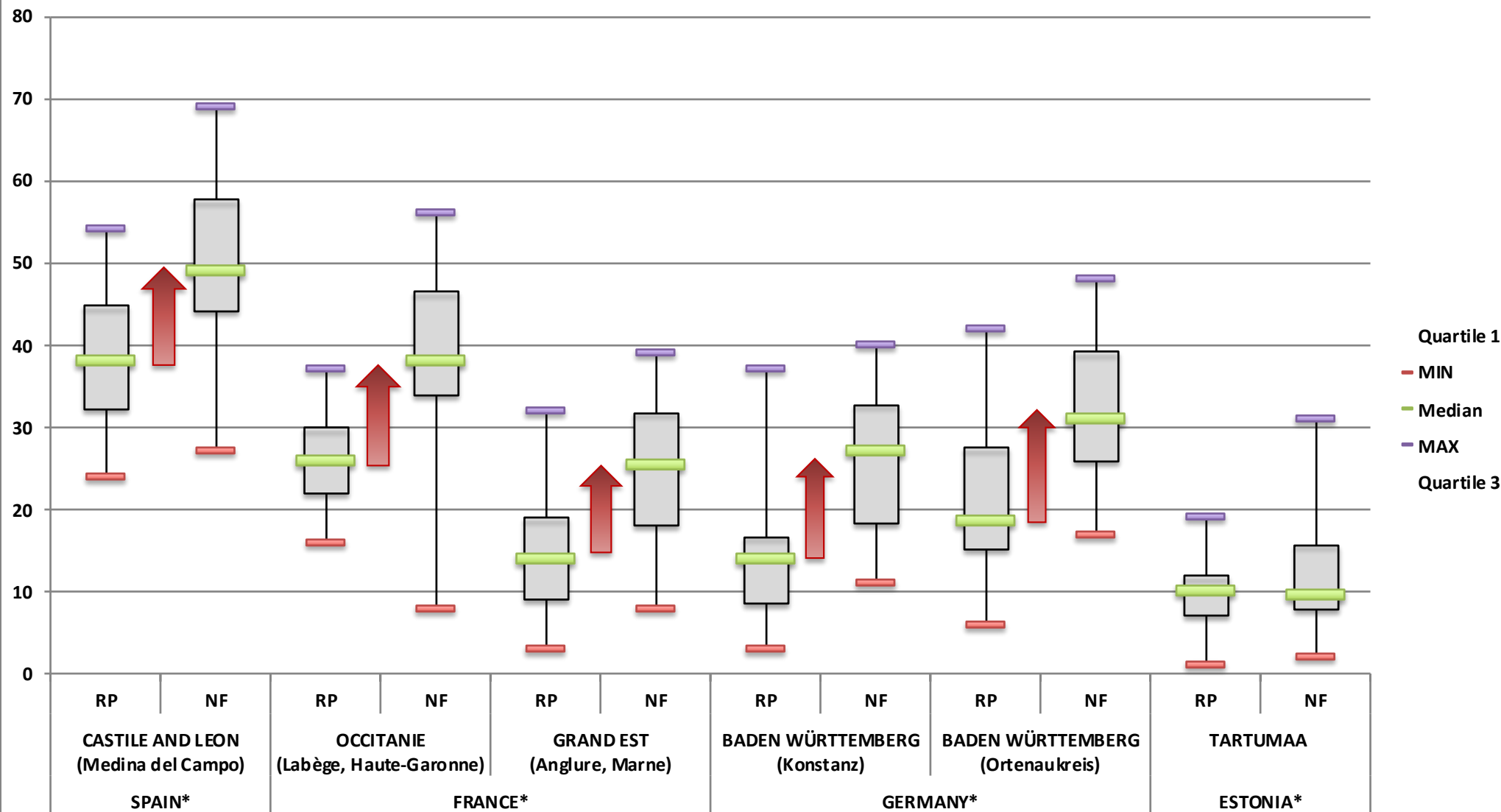


Climate projections



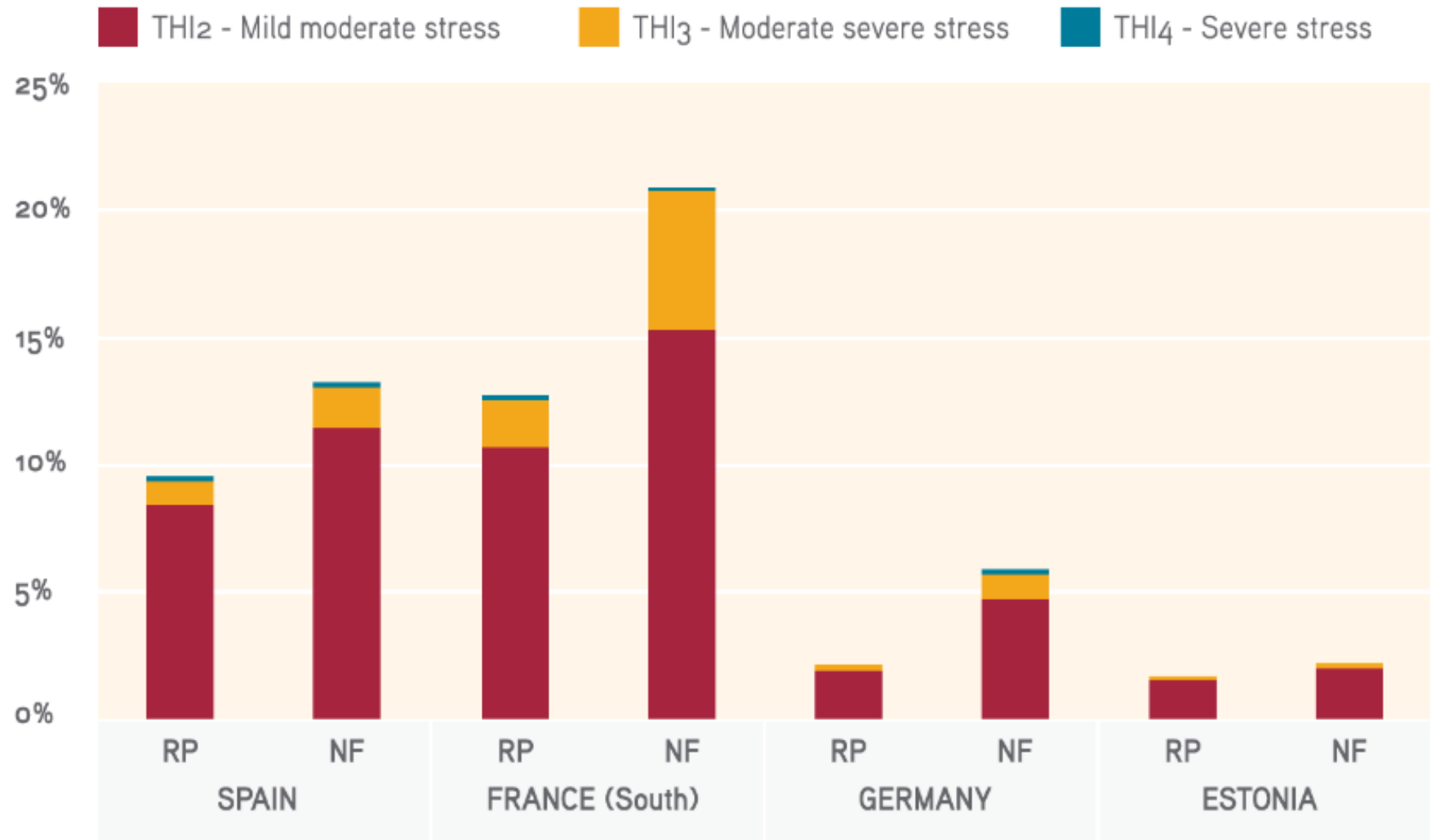
Climate projections - Cereals

ACI - C1 - Heat stress - Cereals
(Tx > 25°C 15/04 to 15/07)



Dairy milk pilot farms

Days/Year with THI stress



Pilot farms SWOT analysis (1)

| REGION |  STRENGTHS |  WEAKNESSES |
|-------------|--|--|
| SOUTHERN | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Agricultural insurance• Well adapted varieties• Farming systems with diverse crops, extensive agroforestry systems | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Increasing dependence on monocultures• Insufficient management of grasslands |
| ATLANTIC | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Diversified cropping systems• Good fodder management• Irrigation | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Inadequate crops cultivated and/or low genetic diversity• Irrigation restrictions• Insufficient thermal comfort for animals |
| CONTINENTAL | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Use of catch crops before spring crops• Income from various pillars• High fodder autonomy of dairy farms | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• High share of one specific crop• Inadequate use of plough as main soil tillage management• Only three crops in rotation (especially dairy farms) |
| NORTHERN | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• High crop diversity and suitable soils for permanent crops• Range of varieties grown• High fodder autonomy | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• No irrigation used in permanent crops• Low availability of suitable fallow fields for arable farms• Poor soil drainage on livestock farms |

Pilot farms SWOT analysis (2)

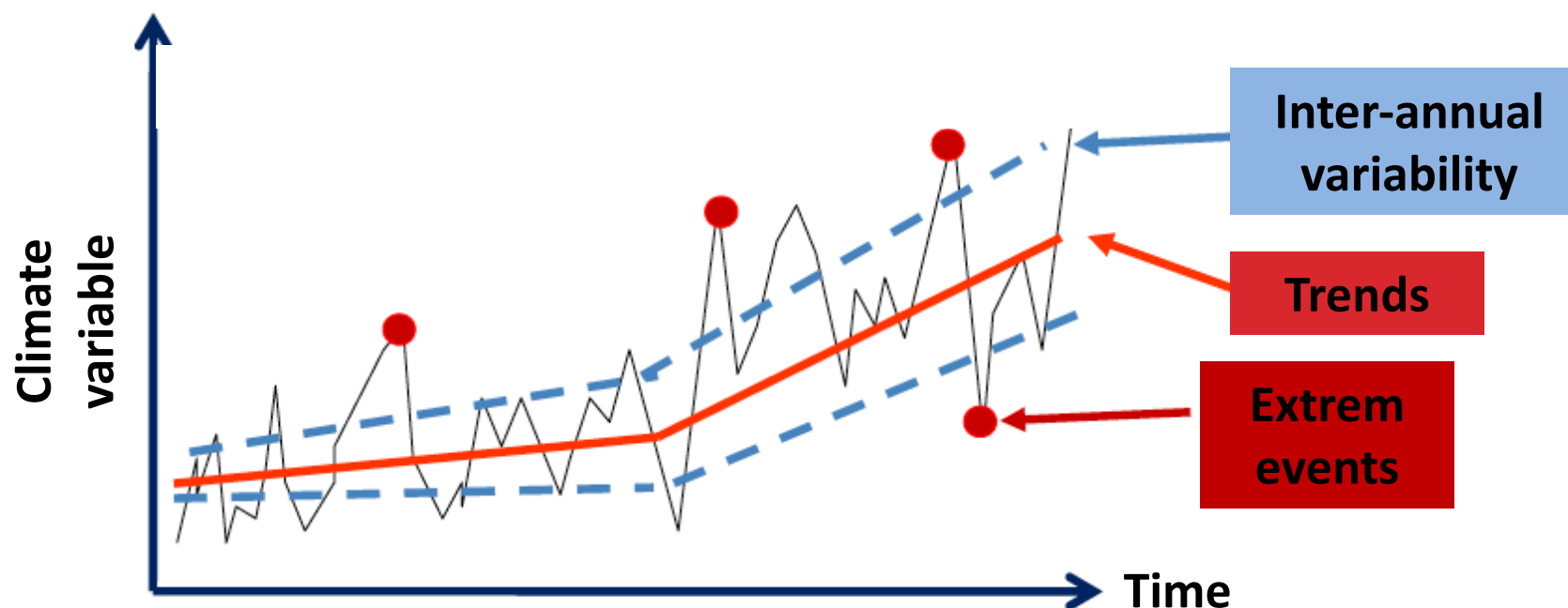
| REGION |  OPPORTUNITIES |  THREATS |
|-------------|--|--|
| SOUTHERN | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Higher productivity in temperature-limited areas if water is ensured • Increased pasture production in autumn/winter due to increased temperature • Possibility for new crops through warmer winters | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increase in heat waves in spring and summer: increase in yield variations and heat stress for animals • Less rainfall in winter-spring • Increase of hydric deficit in spring and summer |
| ATLANTIC | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Better climatic conditions in autumn • Significant decline of the number of frost days/year • Possibility for new crops through the increase in GDD | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increase in yield variations due to climate stress in May/June • Increase of hydric deficit in spring and summer • Increase in heat stress for animals |
| CONTINENTAL | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Opportunity for new crops or varieties • Longer vegetation period positive for grassland and tuber crops • Reduction of moisture loving pathogens | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Higher variability in yields • Increase in heat stress for dairy cows • Risk of more and new pests/diseases/weeds due to higher temperatures and longer vegetation period |
| NORTHERN | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Longer growing period, potential increase of yields and quality • Diversity of crops and varieties increased • Energy needed to heat livestock buildings is reduced | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • More climatic extremes expected, higher risk for permanent crops • Increasing risk of new pests and diseases with new cultivars • Lower performance of livestock due to heat stress, especially outdoors |





Sustainable Adaptation: General proposal per Farming System

Adaptation issues

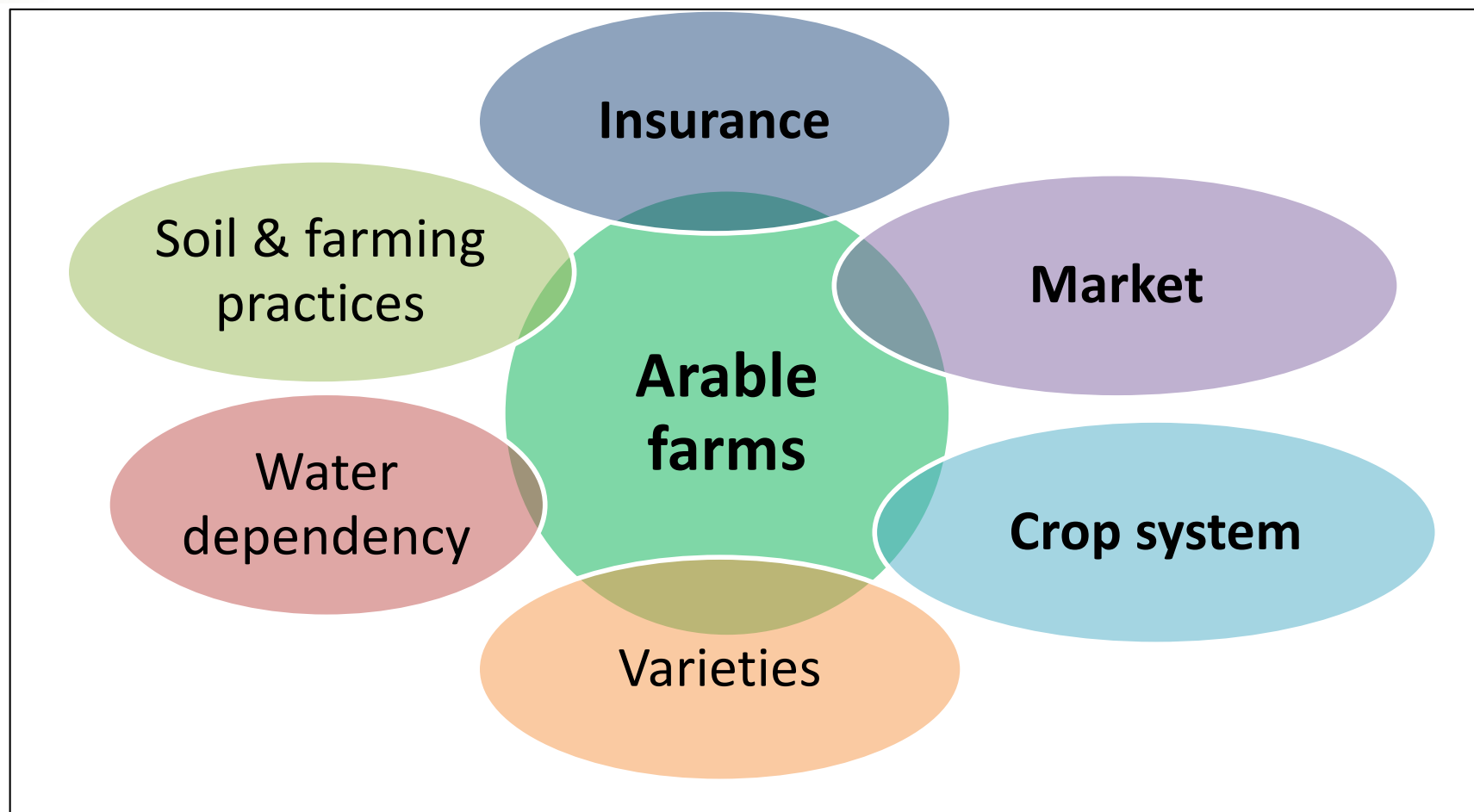


Adaptation is :

- 1 - Adapting to a trend
- 2 - Reduce inter-annual vulnerability
- 3 - Face extrem events

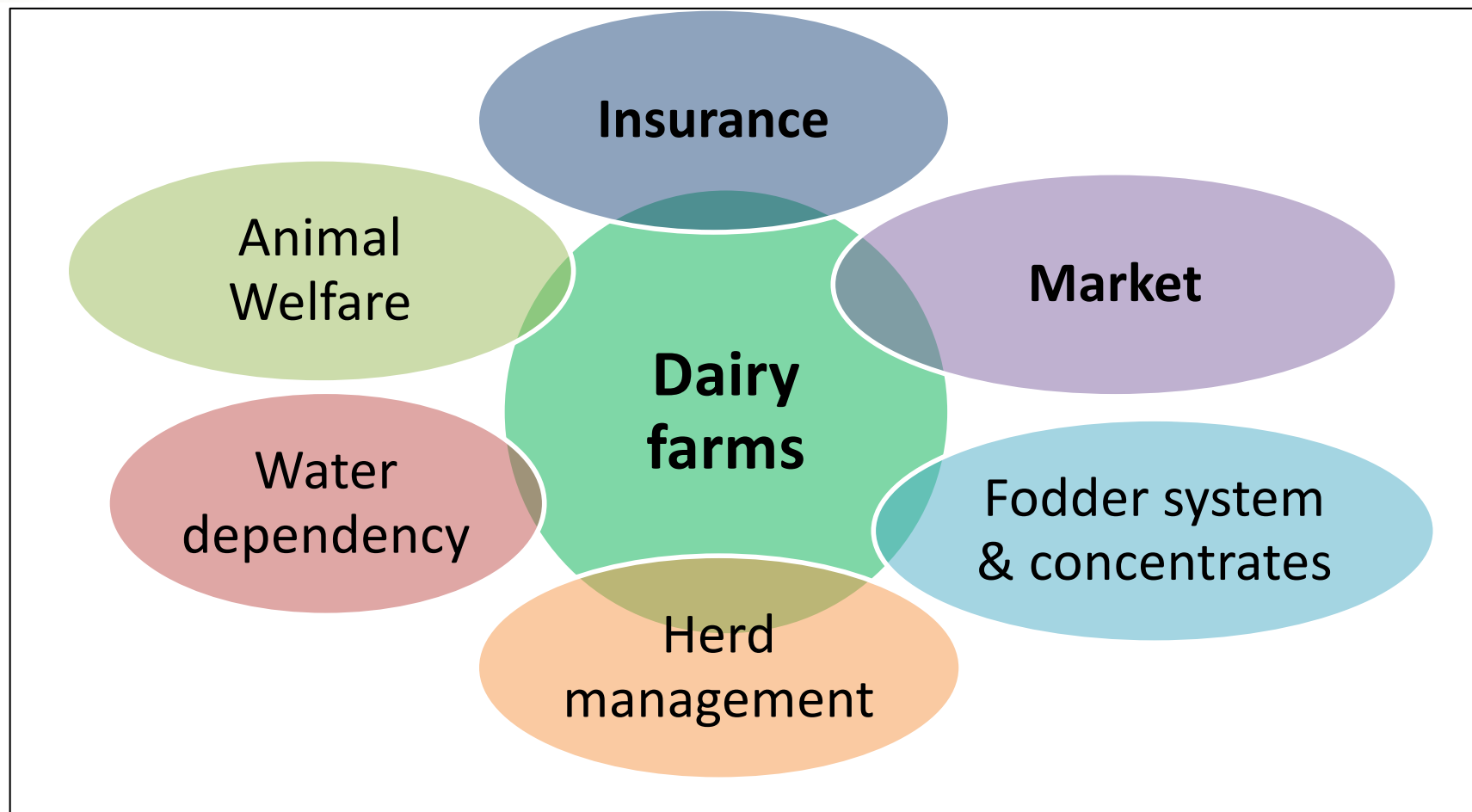


Farm vulnerability components / Farm level



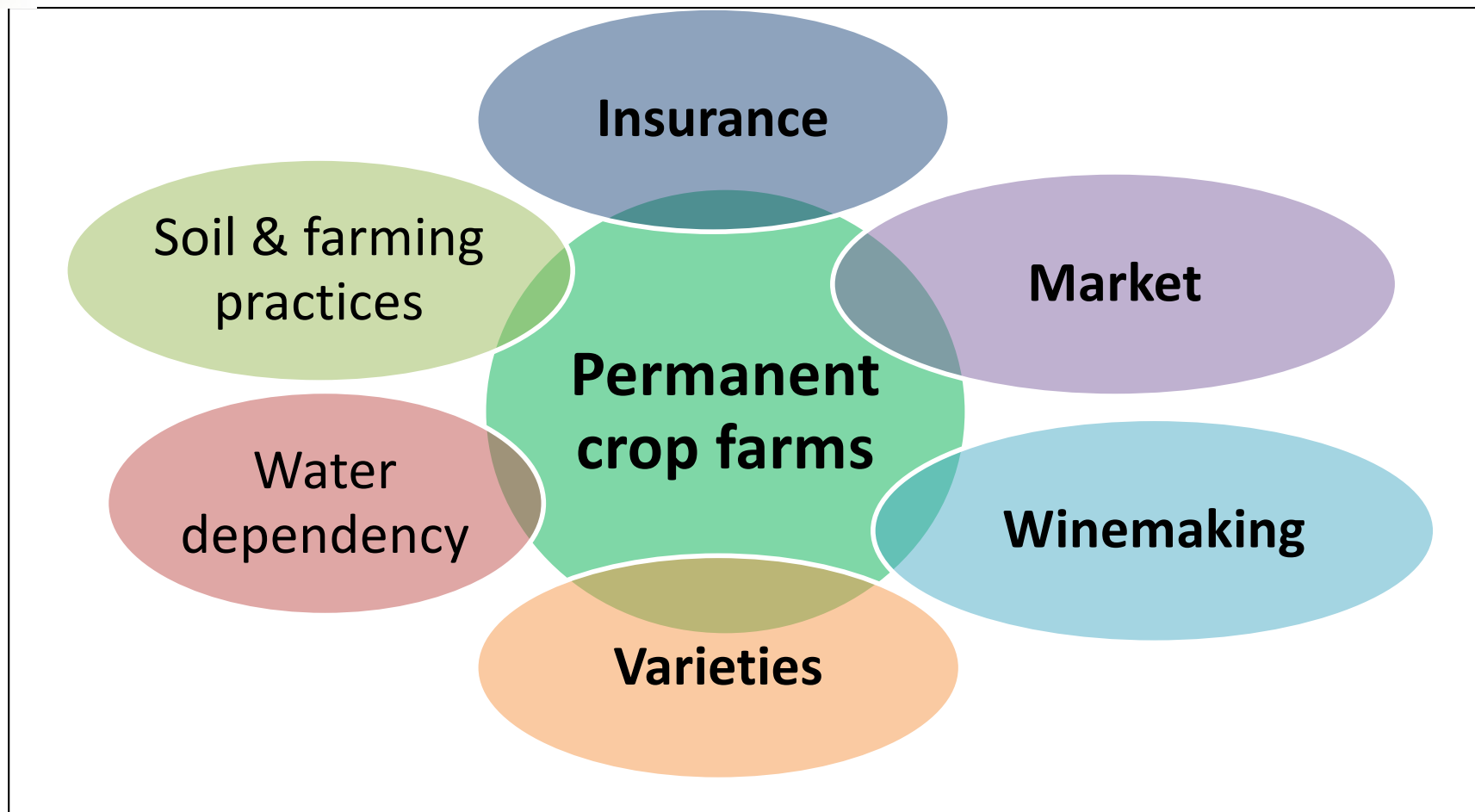


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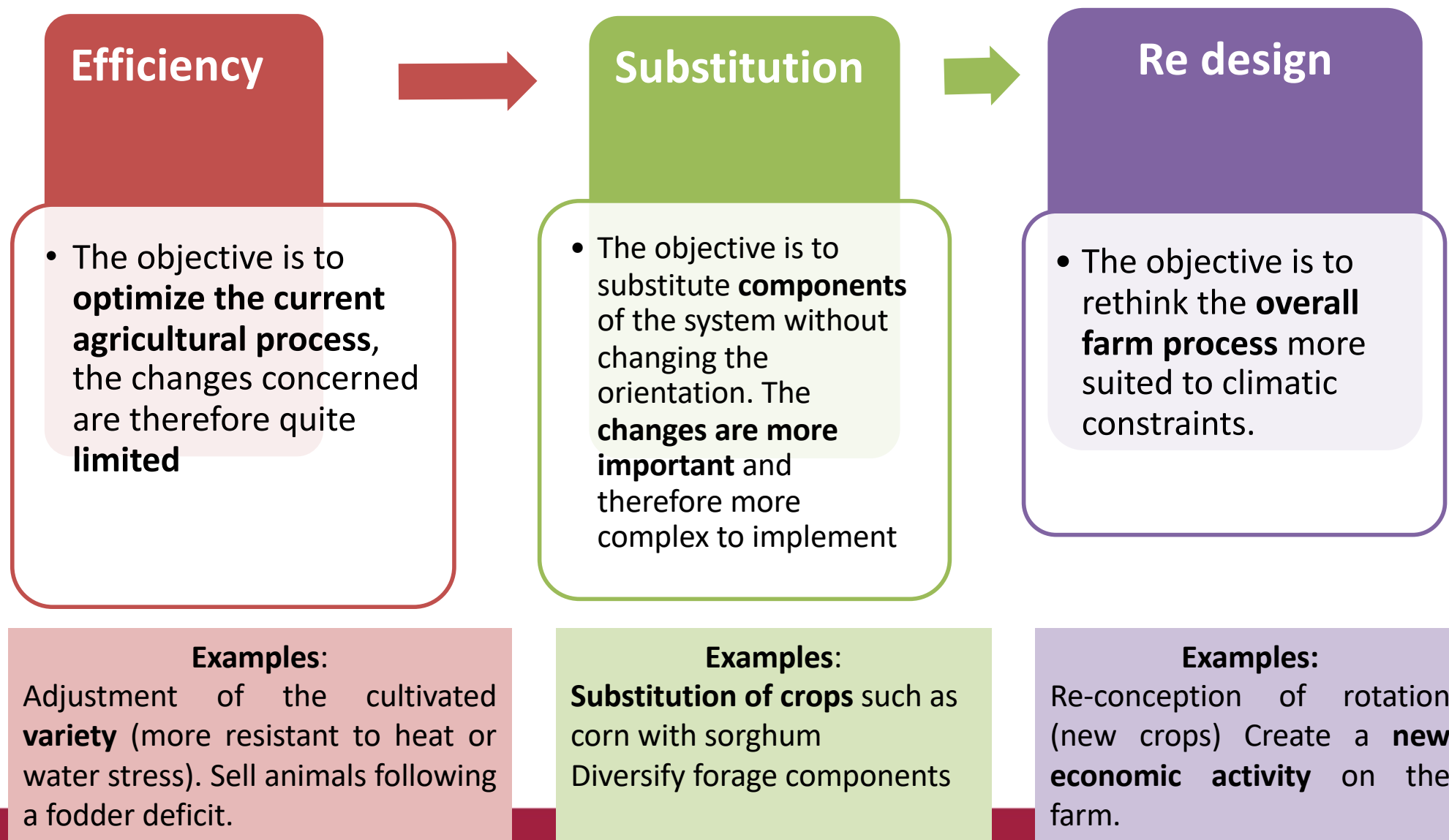




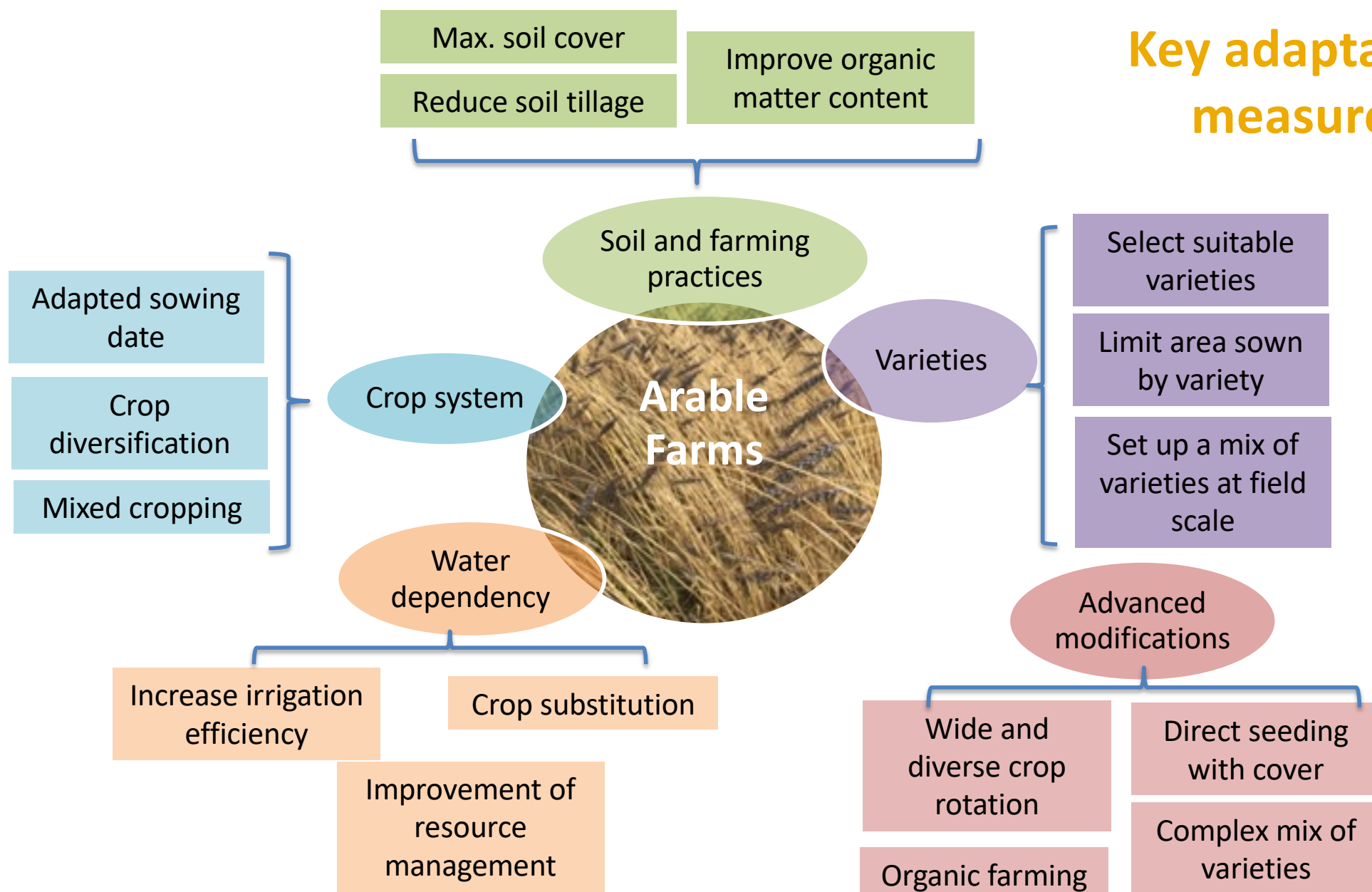
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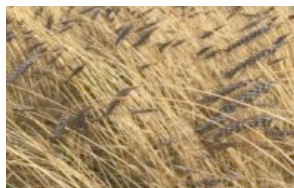


Adaptation measures / 3 levels



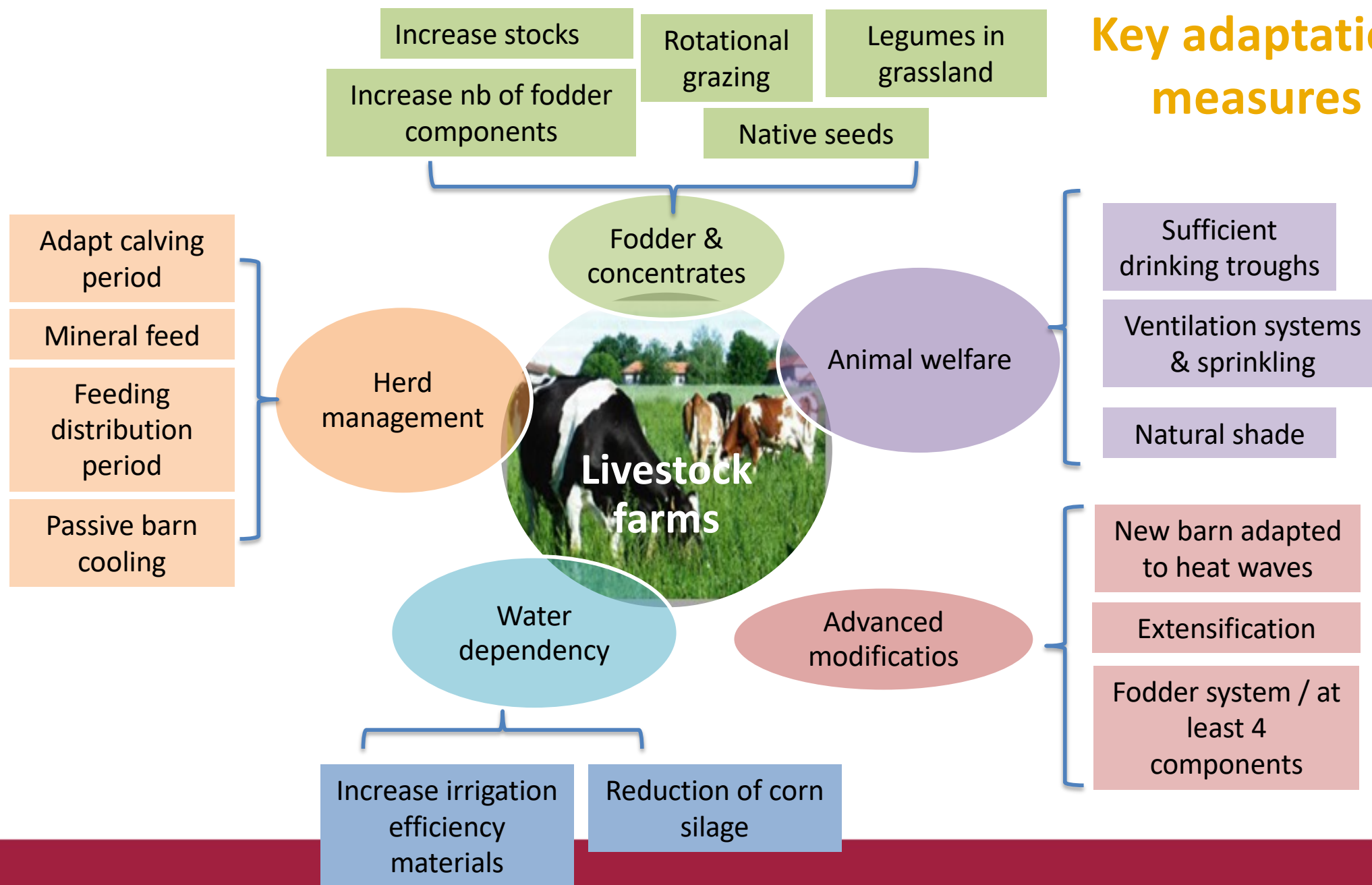
Key adaptation measures





| Crop system | | Varieties | | Soil & farming practices | | Water dependency | | Advanced modifications |
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| Crop diversification | Mixed cropping | Limit area sown by variety | Set up a mix of varieties at field scale | Soil cover | Reduced soil tillage | Improvement of resource management | Crop substitution | Long and diverse crop rotation Complex mix of varieties Direct seeding under cover crop |
| Optimize growth regulator and -stimulators | Introduce of catch- & cover crops and diversification of crop rotation | Select varieties more suitable for local conditions | Invest into stabile varieties that provide the yield in the local climate | Site specific agrotechnology, transition to precision agriculture | Optimize technological field capacity; Invest into improving the soil fertility | Restore the soil amelioration systems | Operate for land reclamation consortia to manage landscape scale water systems | Adaptation of new varieties, technologies and methods to follow the dynamic progression of the research and development |
| Cultivation of diverse catch crop mixtures | Cultivation of new crops | Cultivating different varieties of one crop | Using varieties more drought/hot tolerant | Crop residues remain on the field | Reduced soil tillage | Soil cover throughout the year | Efficient watering systems | Good soil structure by optimized fertilization, diverse crop rotation with adapted crops, soil cover throughout the year, organic fertilisation and a careful soil tillage |
| Changes in sowing dates | Crops diversification | Prove different varieties (different cycles) | Set up a mix of varieties at field scale | Soil cover | More Organic matter | Crop substitution | Deficit irrigation | Long and diverse crop rotation Complex mix of varieties Test different combinations of phenology, sowing dates, and varieties. |
| | | | | | | Short term | Mid term | Long term |

Key adaptation measures





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| Build up a fodder safety stock in a favorable year | Increase the number of fodder components | Adapt the feeding distribution period | Avoid heat peaks for calving | Using ventilation fans, sprayers, sprinklers | Creating and facilitating natural shade | Increase efficiency of irrigation equipment | Reduce the proportion of corn silage | Reduce the number of cows Develop a fodder system based on minimum 4 components Rotational grazing Building adapted to heat waves |



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| Increase diversity of fodder crops | Increase fodder storage capacity | Adjust grazing management | Biosecurity measures | Shelters for grazing animals | Installing cooling systems | Sprays for cooling | Drought resistant crops (corn for silage) | Restoring the drainage systems Backup power generators |

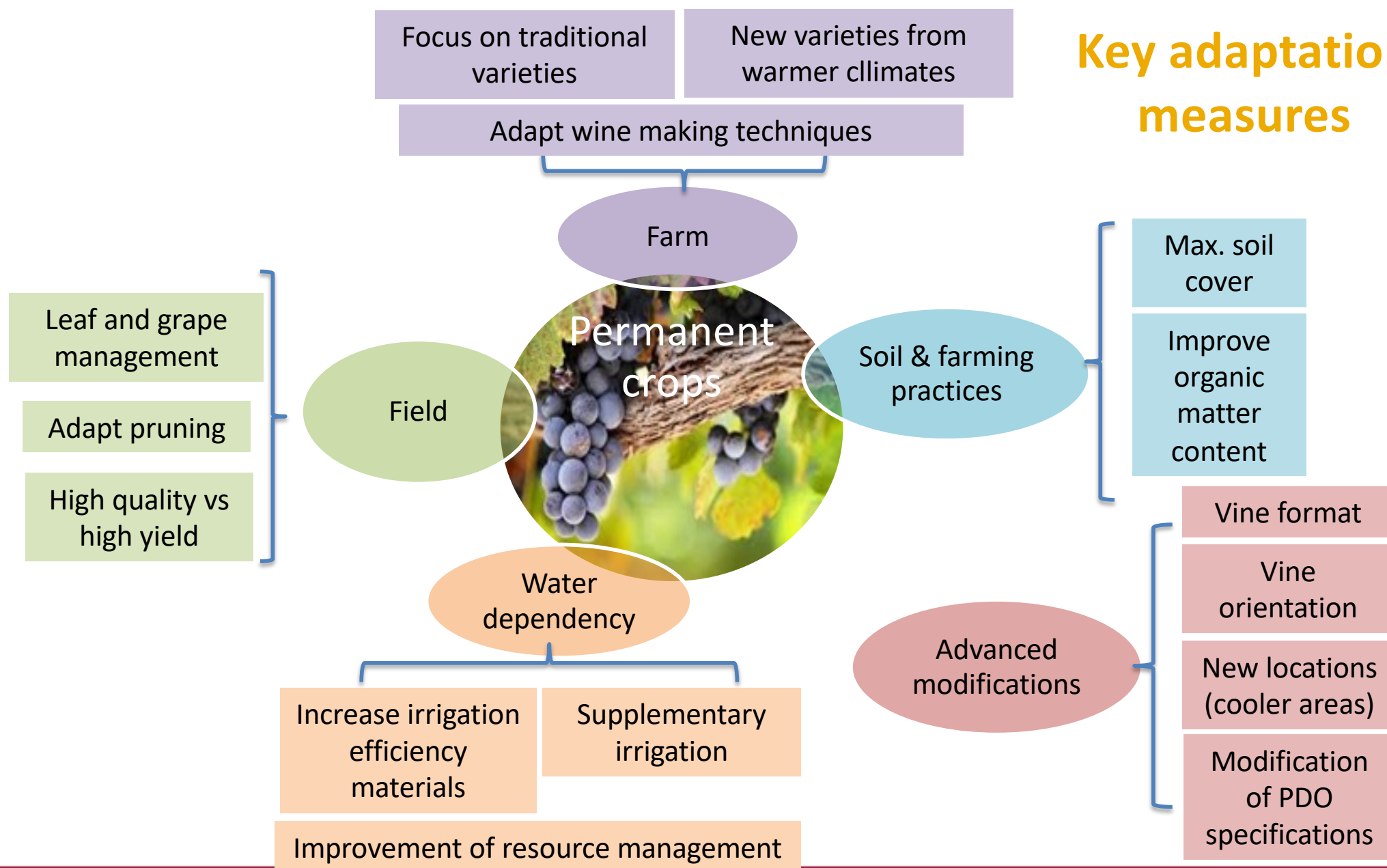


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| Legumes in grassland | Fodder stocks and portioning | Higher share of mineral feed | Passive barn cooling | Sufficient drinking troughs | Roof greening and sprinkling | Water sprays for cooling | | New barn adapted to heat waves |



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| | | | | | | | | |
| Native seeds sowing (extensive livestock) | Rotational grazing (extensive livestock) | Transhumance (extensive livestock) | Regeneration of trees in agroforestry systems. (extensive livestock) | Ventilation systems in barn and milking parlour (dairy) | Fodder production autonomy through diversification and other techniques (dairy) | Water sprays for cooling animals (dairy) | Grain production autonomy (dairy) | Keyline design (extensive livestock) |
| | | | | | | Short term | Mid term | Long term |

Key adaptation measures





Field

Farm

Soil & farming practices

Water dependency

Advanced modifications



Leaf management

Modification of pruning

Adapt oenological practices

Try new varieties

Organic matter

Soil cover

Improvement of resource management

Supplementary Irrigation

Reorganize plantations
Change altitude
Modification of PDO specification



Leaf management

Modification of pruning

Using info services for pest monitoring

Varieties more suitable for local conditions

Organic matter

Soil cover

Restore soil amelioration systems

Supplementary irrigation

Restoring drainage systems, Using hail nets and/or winter covers to minimize crop damage



Adaptation of the site to ensure outflow of cold air

Using agricultural info services (especially pest control)

Insurances for extreme weather events

Organic matter

Shallow soil tillering

Soil cover

Using adapted varieties

Diverse and adapted varieties, good soil structure by organic fertilizer, effective hail protection (hail nets); cultivating different sites (also in cooler areas)



Leaf and grape management

Focus on high quality grapes instead of high yield

Focus on traditional varieties

Try new varieties from warmer climates

Organic matter

Soil cover

Irrigation efficiency

Supplementary Irrigation

Vine format and/or orientation
Explore rootstock/varieties combinations
Expand to cooler areas
Winemaking techniques

Short term

Mid term

Long term

REASONS NOT TO IMPLEMENT MEASURES

- **Cultivation aspects**

- cultivation of alfalfa with less cuttings
- tall fescue (drought tolerant) – difficult to sow into the grass
- drip irrigation – not efficient for cooling the potato-ridges
- late pruning (vineyards) risks are higher than possible benefits
- reduced soil management: less effective herb management, higher disease pressure
- Permanent cover crops or green covers (in Southern Region, due to water deficit)

- **Financial and social efforts**

- rotational grazing, outlet
- changing feeding times
- introducing agroforestry
- hail nets (low cost/efficiency)
- investments in drainage systems or any other long term measure, because of high share of rented land
- wider crop rotation
- investment in pressure regulator (tyres)
- high quality vs high yields (permanent crops)
- New locations for permanent crops

REASONS NOT TO IMPLEMENT MEASURES

- **External regulations**
 - requirements from clients for certain varieties
 - uncovered outlet
 - shading trees (→ felling permits)
 - licensing procedures difficult and expensive for watering (e.g. for frost protection)
- **Uncertainties in weather**
 - changing seeding times
 - watering (not enough water in surface water)
 - undersowing
- **No „benefit“ for farm**
 - introducing legumes (except for Southern region)
 - cultivation of meslins, clover-grass, legumes

4 Key measures « No regret adaptation »



Diversification

Livestock
buildings

Soil
conservation

Extensification





The Adaptation Training Pack & AgriAdapt Webtool for Adaptation (AWA)

Farming Adaptation Training Pack CONTENTS

A. The project

B. European Agrarian Sector Vulnerability to Climate Change

- 1 European Context
- 2 Atlantic Climate Zone
- 3 Continental Climate Zone
- 4 Southern Climate Zone
- 5 Northern Climate Zone

C. Project Methodology

D. Sustainable Adaptation Measures

E. The relationship between: adaptation to climate change and farm competitiveness, environmental synergies, regulations compliance & market opportunities. Communication tools

F. Study cases on pilot farms (Short videos and documents)

G. Posters for training

Is this training pack useful for you?

TARGET PUBLIC:

- Agrarian Structures: cooperatives, unions, associations
- Training entities, Capacity building
- Agrarian Insurance companies
- AgriFood Labels and Standards



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AWA - AgriAdapt Webtool for Adaptation

One of the main challenges facing the world, and the agricultural sector in particular, is climate change. Even if some of the changes in climate could be beneficial for some European agricultural production, most of the changes have had negative impacts and disproportionately affect regions already concerned by other environmental problems. European farmers have and will have to adapt to a changing climate, through measures that go beyond simple adjustments to ad hoc practices. In order to limit the vulnerability of their farms to increasingly variable climatic hazards, adaptation must first of all be designed and undertaken in a sustainable manner.

It was in this context that the European AgriAdapt project was born, supported by the LIFE program of the European Commission. It brings together French, Spanish, German and Estonian partners, who represent four areas constrained by different climatic risks.

EU FARMLAND AND CLIMATE CHANGE RISKS

- Water availability
- Risk drought, heat spells
- Risk soil erosion
- Growing season, crop yields
- Optimal crop areas

- Floods risk
- Hotter and drier summers
- Sea level
- Risk crop pests, diseases
- Animal health, welfare

- Summer rainfall
- Winter storms, floods
- Length growing season, yields
- Suitable farmland
- Pests, diseases risks

- Winter rainfall, floods
- Summer rainfall
- Risk drought, water stress
- Soil erosion risk
- Yields, range of crops





Farm vulnerability and adaptation Quiz

Through around thirty different questions, you will be able to test your knowledge of climate change, agricultural impacts of the climate on different agricultural productions and possible adaptation measures at farm scale.

4 different quizzes are offered, each corresponding to the geographic location of the 4 countries involved in the project (France, Germany, Spain and Estonia), all representative of a major climatic influence in Europe: Mediterranean, Atlantic, continental, and Nordic areas. Each quiz is systematically available in English as well as in the language of the country it represents.

For each question, one or more correct answers are possible among the 4 proposals. Just click on your choice (only one possible) to know if your answer is correct. An explanation will then appear at the bottom of the screen and you can deepen the subject even further if you wish by clicking on "Learn more".

At any time during the quiz, you can continue to the next question if you do not wish to answer any of the questions. Once the quiz is finished, a summary will indicate the number of correct answers obtained for each of the 3 categories: climate change, agricultural impacts and adaptation measures.

START QUIZ

Farm vulnerability and adaptation Quiz

zone selection

Please select the area in which you would like to test your knowledge



Farm vulnerability and adaptation Quiz

climate-change

How long is the minimum period to talk about climate?

10 years

30 years

50 years

100 years



NEXT QUESTION

Farm vulnerability and adaptation Quiz

climate-change

How long is the minimum period to talk about climate?

10 years

30 years

50 years

100 years

✓ Correct !

Explanation

The concept of climate refers to all of the variables that characterize the average state of the atmosphere. It is defined on the basis of statistics over a long period (often thirty years) while the concept of "weather forecast" refers to the weather conditions of a given instant or a short period (a day, a week, etc.).

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agricultural-impacts

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The past two decades have seen a decline in the upward trend in cereal yields in many European countries. Climate change (heat stress, drought) being one of the major explanatory factors. The harvest 2016 being one of the worst years in recent past, in which climate severely impacted yields.

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Yield & Climate (observations and projections)

This module consists of a map entry proposing the consultation of agronomic (yields) and climatic (observations and projections) data for different geographic locations throughout Europe.

Just move the map to the area of interest, then zoom in to more accurately identify the place you are flying over. Each small orange square (or grid point) on the map then lets you view local data with a single click.

For each grid point, a compilation of annual yields from different crops (2000-2017 period) first shows the variability in performance in terms of yields. Then, the description of the past climate (observations for the period 1987-2016) is presented through different graphs for several variables: temperature, precipitation, number of days of freezing, etc. Finally, climate projections illustrate in the form of 10 graphs the climate changes for the near future period (2017-2046), then supplemented by 19 agro-climatic indicators specific to cereals, fodder, animals, vineyards and orchards.

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Yield compilation

Climate observations

Climate projections

The yield level of a crop can be extremely variable from one year to another, even for the same geographic locality. To see this variability, it is necessary to use **yield compilations over several years**.

Below, the average annual yields of different categories of crops are compiled from the **harvest 2000 to harvest 2017**. A color gradient ranging from green to red helps to detect visually the level of annual performance. For the worst years appearing in red, it is then possible to wonder about the limiting climatic factors as well as their current trends.

| year | Winter soft wheat | Winter durum wheat | Winter barley (and/or six rowed barley) | Maize for grain rainfed | Grain Sorghum | Winter rapeseed | Sunflower | Soybean | Spring field peas | Maize silage | Temporary grasslands | Permanent grasslands | Apple | Vineyards |
|---------|-------------------|--------------------|---|-------------------------|---------------|-----------------|-----------|-----------|-------------------|--------------|----------------------|----------------------|-----------|-----------|
| | 100-kg-ha | 100-kg-ha | 100-kg-ha | 100-kg-ha | 100-kg-ha | 100-kg-ha | 100-kg-ha | 100-kg-ha | 100-kg-ha | 100-kg-ha | 100-kg-ha | 100-kg-ha | 100-kg-ha | HI-ha |
| 2000 | 58 | 54 | 54 | 86 | 65 | 28 | 26 | 29 | 35 | 114 | 62 | 30 | 410 | 53 |
| 2001 | 51 | 52 | 47 | 87 | 58 | 31 | 22 | 28 | 36 | 117 | 56 | 32 | 410 | 54 |
| 2002 | 58 | 51 | 50 | 80 | 65 | 31 | 23 | 28 | 38 | 112 | 63 | 34 | 410 | 44 |
| 2003 | 49 | 42 | 43 | 68 | 34 | 26 | 19 | 20 | 29 | 92 | 46 | 34 | 380 | 38 |
| 2004 | 58 | 52 | 50 | 81 | 55 | 28 | 23 | 25 | 26 | 110 | 62 | 42 | 410 | 53 |
| 2005 | 54 | 50 | 52 | 86 | 50 | 32 | 21 | 26 | 30 | 105 | 66 | 48 | 429 | 54 |
| 2006 | 52 | 48 | 47 | 97 | 56 | 30 | 21 | 28 | 36 | 103 | 64 | 44 | 420 | 47 |
| 2007 | 45 | 40 | 38 | 96 | 55 | 27 | 23 | 26 | 28 | 140 | 79 | 53 | 647 | 42 |
| 2008 | 57 | 50 | 56 | 100 | 63 | 34 | 26 | 30 | 38 | 101 | 70 | 52 | 442 | 42 |
| 2009 | 45 | 43 | 42 | 91 | 49 | 27 | 21 | 27 | 31 | 71 | 65 | 51 | 474 | 52 |
| 2010 | 56 | 54 | 49 | 98 | 55 | 29 | 24 | 29 | 35 | 90 | 68 | 50 | 543 | 46 |
| 2011 | 48 | 47 | 44 | 105 | 70 | 25 | 26 | 29 | 31 | 136 | 56 | 51 | | 61 |
| 2012 | 63 | 59 | 59 | 103 | 55 | 30 | 23 | 27 | 40 | 133 | 54 | 43 | 435 | 52 |
| 2013 | 52 | 49 | 50 | 98 | 58 | 29 | 21 | 26 | 30 | 119 | 80 | 61 | 493 | 36 |
| 2014 | 52 | 52 | 47 | 109 | 64 | 30 | 22 | 32 | 40 | 153 | 93 | 74 | 451 | 54 |
| 2015 | 57 | 54 | 52 | 96 | 54 | 25 | 16 | 29 | 35 | 78 | 64 | 51 | 460 | 51 |
| 2016 | 60 | 59 | 54 | 102 | 82 | 32 | 24 | 23 | 35 | 78 | 66 | 48 | 460 | 64 |
| 2017 | 59 | 59 | 53 | 107 | 62 | 28 | 26 | 29 | 30 | 80 | 67 | 55 | 477 | 35 |
| Minimum | 45 | 40 | 38 | 68 | 34 | 25 | 16 | 20 | 26 | 71 | 46 | 30 | 380 | 35 |
| Maximum | 63 | 59 | 59 | 109 | 82 | 34 | 26 | 32 | 40 | 153 | 93 | 74 | 647 | 64 |
| Average | 54.11 | 50.83 | 49.28 | 93.89 | 58.33 | 29.00 | 22.61 | 27.28 | 33.50 | 107.33 | 65.61 | 47.39 | 455.94 | 48.78 |

Bad Fair Good Excellent

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AVERAGE-TEMPERATURE

PRECIPITATION

HYDRIC-DEFICIT

FROZEN-DAYS

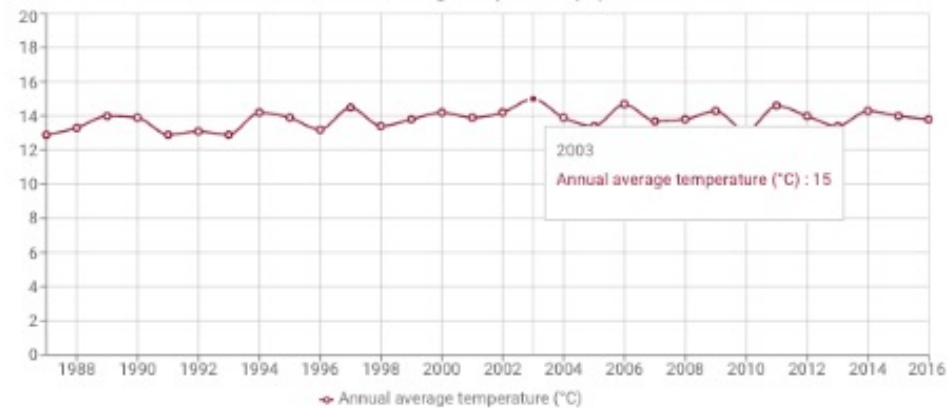
ESTIVAL-DAYS

The **annual average of daily temperatures** (°C) is available for the period 1986-2016.

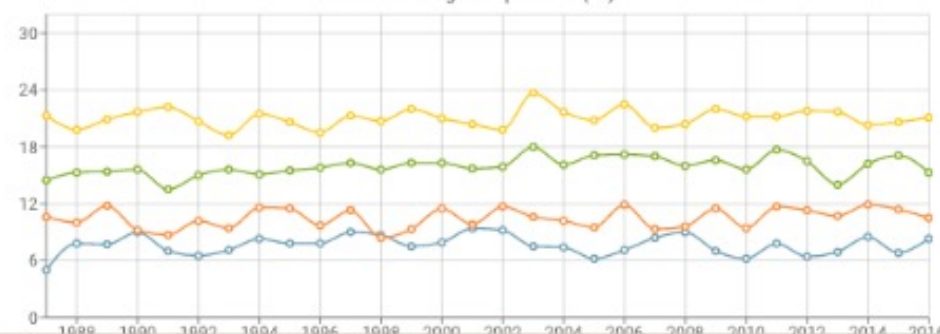
The results are presented for **an entire calendar year**, then by season according to the following approach: **winter** (January - February - March), **spring** (April - May - June), **summer** (July, August, September) and finally **autumn** (October November December).

For each representation, the **minimum**, **maximum** values and the **median** are summarized.

Annual average temperature (°C)



Seasonal average temperature (°C)



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CROPS

FODDER

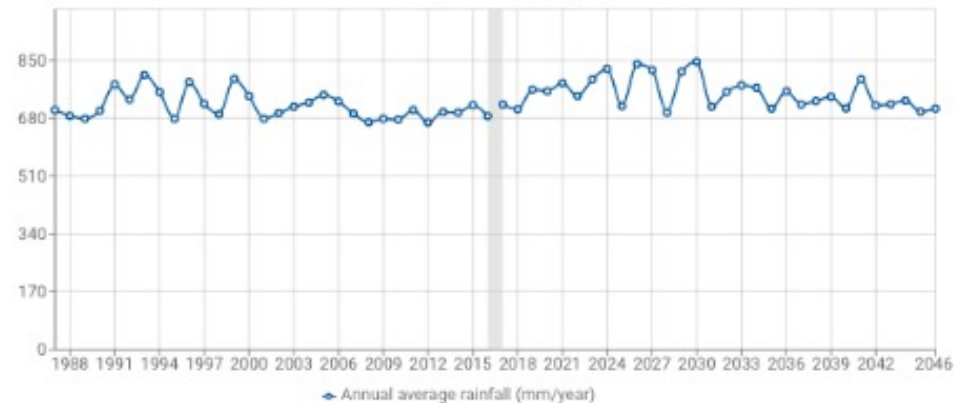
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VINEYARDFRUIT

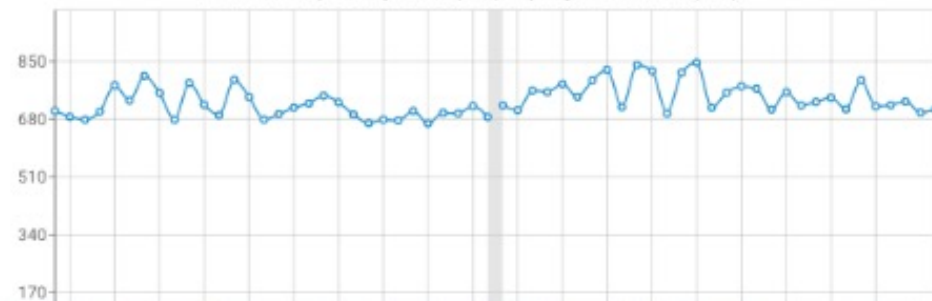
The possible changes in the climate are offered through graphical representations of several climatic variables: rainfall, average annual temperature, water deficit, sum of temperatures, number of hot or cold days per year, etc.

On each graph, the simulations offer a reading of the **Recent Past** (i.e. the past 30 years) as well as the **Near Future** (i.e. the next 30 years). By comparison, it is then possible to observe changes (extreme values, averages, etc.).

Annual average rainfall (mm/year)



Potential Evapotranspiration (PET) - Spring and Summer (mm)



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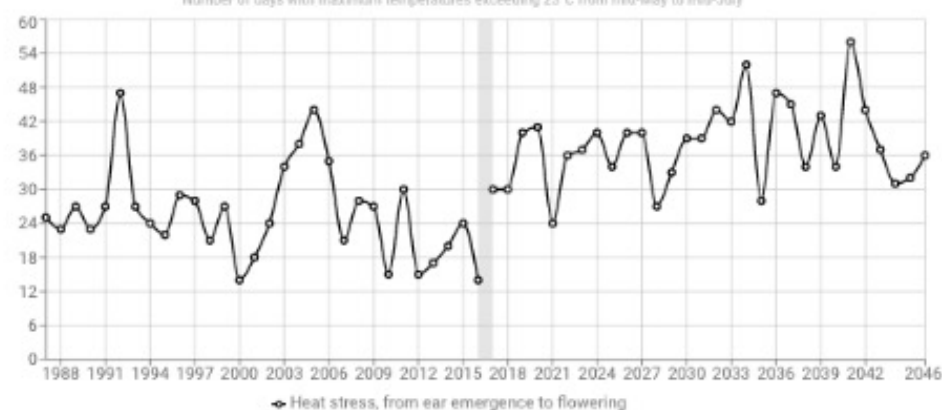
The following agro climatic indicators are all devoted to **arable crops**: straw cereals, summer crops (corn, sunflower, sugar beets), rapeseed.

The possible changes in agronomic conditions are illustrated through **9 indicators**: shriveling, risk of frost, drought, harvest accessibility, etc.

Like the climate general indicators, the simulations offer a reading of the **Recent Past** (i.e. the past 30 years) as well as the **Near Future** (i.e. the next 30 years). By comparison, it is then possible to observe changes (extreme values, averages, etc.).

Heat stress, from ear emergence to flowering

Number of days with maximum temperatures exceeding 25°C from mid-May to mid-July



Frost stress (ear 1 cm)

Number of days with maximum temperatures below -4°C between the 20th of February and the 10th of April



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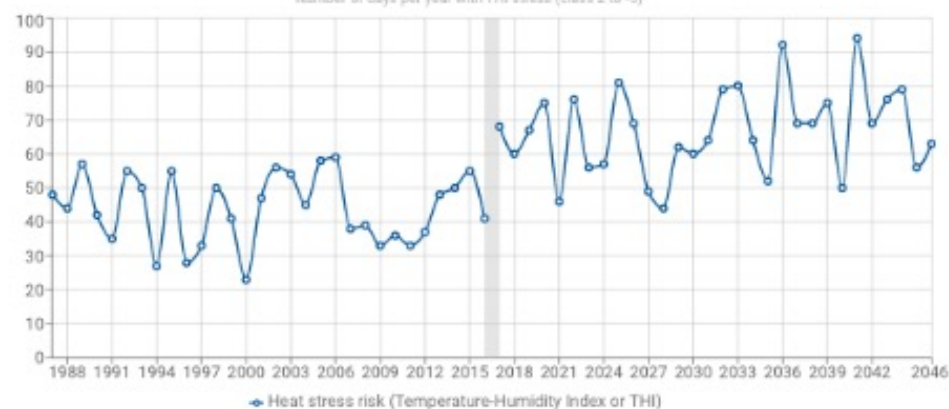
The following agro climatic indicators are all devoted to **animal management**.

The possible changes in climate conditions are illustrated through 3 indicators: heat stress risk for cattle, heating and cooling needs for animal buildings.

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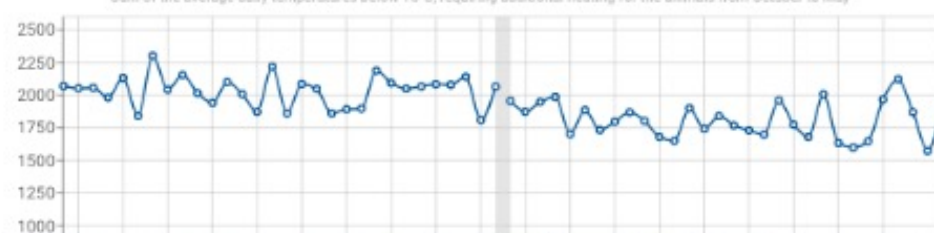
Heat stress risk (Temperature-Humidity Index or THI)

Number of days per year with THI stress (class 2 to -5)



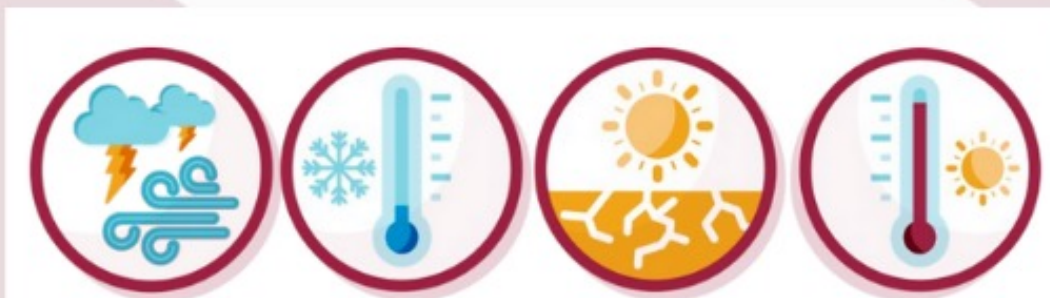
Heating needs

Sum of the average daily temperatures below 18°C, requiring additional heating for the animals from October to May



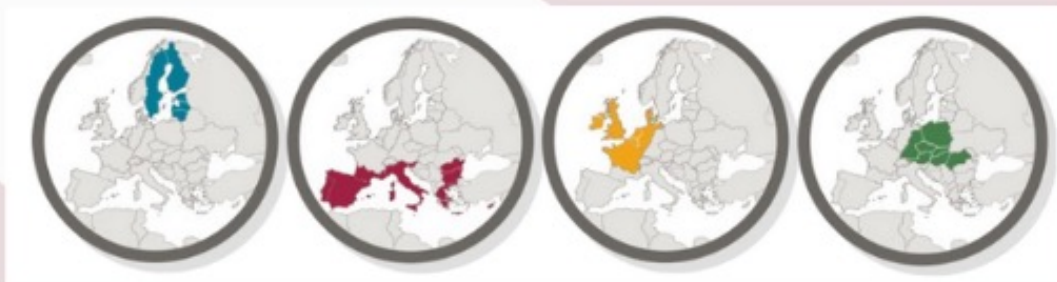


Sustainable adaptation measures



This module is devoted to sustainable adaptation measures that can be envisaged at farm scale. The agro-climatic vulnerability of a farm often depends on several climatic factors, so it is necessary to imagine the implementation of differentiated adaptation measures. Thus, for each of the 3 agricultural systems studied, sustainable adaptation measures are classified according to 4 components of farm vulnerability. For example, in arable crops, the measures proposed will seek to improve the resilience of the cropping system, the varieties cultivated, the water dependency or even the soil and farming practices. The implementation of a strategy for sustainable adaptation to climate change takes place over time.

The proposed measures are therefore distinguished according to the possibility of implementation in the short, medium or long term. For each adaptation measure, it is possible to know more by a simple click: a summary sheet then appears, offering an overview of its overall durability through its possible impact (neutral, positive or adverse) on a set of 9 components: emission of greenhouse gases, air quality, soil, water etc. The sustainable adaptation measures are specific to each of the 4 climate zones proposed. For each zone, the measures are systematically available in English as well as in the language of the country it represents.



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Sustainable adaptation measures

CEREAL CROPS

ANIMALS

FRUITS & VINEYARDS

CROP SYSTEM

VARIETIES

SOIL & FARMING PRACTICES

WATER DEPENDENCY

OTHERS

Filter actions by risk region



Southern

Filter actions by timing

☒ Short term

☒ Mid term

☒ Long term

Click on an action to see the detail

ADAPT DATE OF SOWING & VARIETY PRECOCITY

MIX OF VARIETIES WITHIN PLOTS MORE SENSITIVE TO CLIMATE STRESS (COLD, DROUGHT...).

REACH A REASONABLE TRESHOLD (HA/VARIETY)

TO PLANT AND HARVEST AN OWN VARIETY COLLECTION AT FARM LEVER EVERY YEAR

VARIETAL BOUQUET AT FARM LEVEL (ALL PLOTS) TO DESYNCHRONIZE SENSITIVES CROPS STAGES

VARIETIES ADAPTED TO MAIN CLIMATE STRESS

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Varieties adapted to main climate stress

Climate risk region



Southern

Weather event addressed



Farming system

CEREAL CROPS

Cereals, legumes, oilseeds, vegetables

Description

Use of varieties adapted to drought, high temperatures, not need of vernalization

Comments on sustainability

Farmers can't access to new varieties, economic invests and technical assessment are needed.

Implementation

Short term

Sustainability components

- = GHG emissions
- = Air quality
- + Soil
- + Water
- + Biodiversity
- = Animal welfare
- € Economic
- Social
- Technical feasibility

Summary

The implementation of an adaptation strategy is a real learning process in which a progressive advance respecting several steps is necessary. First, defining and understanding the vulnerability of farming is a necessary prerequisite for any adaptation process. It is imperative to identify the weaknesses and / or climatic forces of the agricultural system currently deployed and to be aware of what climate change is and its agricultural impacts.

In a second step, agro-climatic projections for the near future period will offer a reading of new climate opportunities and / or threats defining the new context of the farm. The implementation of an adaptation strategy must therefore envisage improving climate weaknesses and threats to the farm, by mobilizing levers for a wide range of vulnerability components. Planning for adaptation measures must then be carried out to distinguish what can be implemented in the short, medium or long term.



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Conclusion

Key Components for Sustainable Adaptation

Soil Management

- Living Soils with a high amount of organic matter can absorb and store water.

Nutrient Management

- Combine organic matter, nutritional needs, soil biota/structure to an integrated nutrition management.

Water Management

- Combination of techniques to reduce water needs, improve water retention/storage in soils, and higher water use efficiency.

Pest Management

- Stronger focus on IPM, reduce chemical pesticides (resistances and decrease of beneficial fauna).

Income and Profit

- Almost every adaptation measure will result in better yields and better profit.

Risks

- Farming adaptation strategies can be supported by an insurance

Animal Welfare

- Adaptation measures to reduce thermal stress in livestock reduce risk of lower production.

Biodiversity


- Biodiversity is an important cross-section element for all other elements above.

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Sustainable adaptation of typical EU farming systems to climate change

EU FARMLAND AND CLIMATE CHANGE RISKS

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- Risk drought, heat spells
- Risk soil erosion
- Growing season, crop yields
- Optimal crop areas
- Floods risk
- Hotter and drier summers
- Sea level
- Risk crop pests, diseases
- Animal health, welfare
- Summer rainfall
- Winter storms, floods
- Length growing season, yields
- Suitable farmland
- Pests, diseases risks
- Winter rainfall, floods
- Summer rainfall
- Risk drought, water stress
- Soil erosion risk
- Yields, range of crops



AgriAdapt is a European project sponsored by the LIFE programme of the European Union.

It will demonstrate how sustainable adaptation measures can help livestock, arable and permanent crop farms become more climate resilient. It will also explore the other positive environmental benefits of these measures. Partners will develop actions in close collaboration with farmers, experts, administrations, agricultural schools and private entities in order to obtain transferrable results.

Project implementation is organized in accordance with the four main EU Climate Risk Regions: Southern Europe, Western Europe, Central Europe and Northern Europe.

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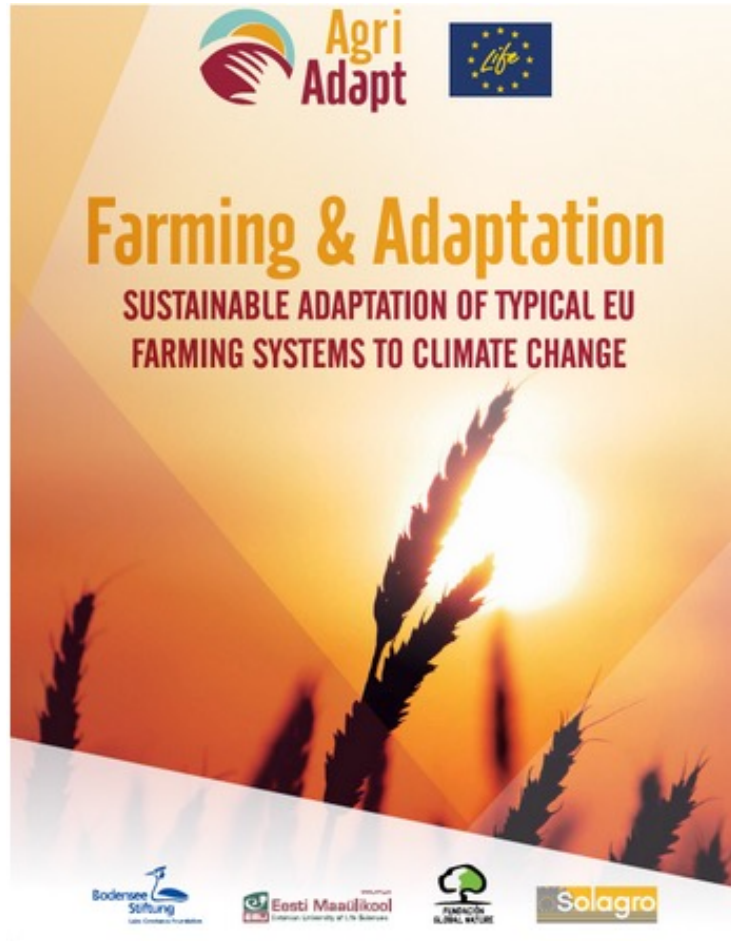
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AWA - AgriAdapt Webtool for Adaptation

One of the main challenges facing the world, and the agricultural sector in particular, is climate change. Even if some of the changes in climate could be beneficial for some European agricultural production, most of the changes have had negative impacts and disproportionately affect regions already concerned by other environmental problems. European farmers have and will have to adapt to a changing climate, through measures that go beyond simple adjustments to ad hoc practices. In order to limit the vulnerability of their farms to increasingly variable climatic hazards, adaptation must first of all be designed and undertaken in a sustainable manner.

It was in this context that the European AgriAdapt project was born, supported by the LIFE program of the European Commission. It brings together French, Spanish, German and Estonian partners, who represent four areas constrained by different climatic risks.

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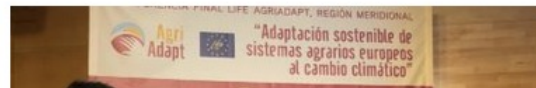
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