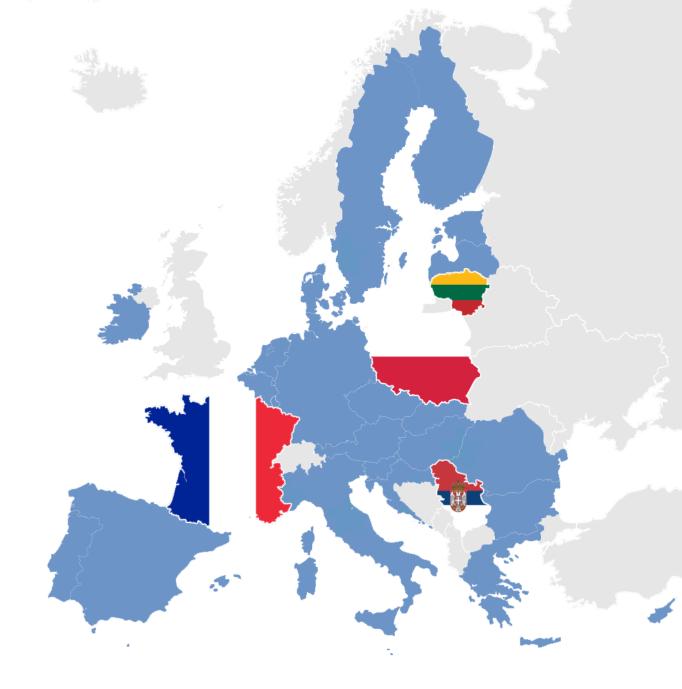


Twinning Project

Strengthening and adaptation of administrative capacities for the introduction of the Organization of Agricultural Markets

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Consortium Members











- Agency for Restructuring and Modernisation of Agriculture, Poland
- Ministry of Agriculture, Lithuania
 National Paying Agency under the Ministry of Agriculture, Lithuania
- FranceAgriMer, France
 Ministry of Agriculture and Food, France











Project Team



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Junior Project Leader Mr Aleksandras Muzikevičius



Junior Project Leader Mr Jean-Louis Buer











General Approach & Project Management Strategy

necessity to bring change and support the process

solid institutional environment

joint preparation for the start of the project

equality, cooperative partnership & transparency

close interaction with the Beneficiary

flexibility

durable sustainability











Consortium Partner - Poland

❖<u>Agricultural sector</u>

- ➤ No. 1 beneficiary of European Funds (net)
- ➤ The biggest beneficiary of EU Common Agricultural Policy funds among the "new" EU countries (since 2004)
- ➤ 2nd in EU in the number of agricultural holdings
- ➤ Top world producer of apples
- > One of the most important producers of soft fruits (strawberry, raspberry)

❖ <u>Agency for Restructuring and Modernisation of Agriculture</u>

- ➤ The biggest Agricultural Paying Agency in the EU (11,560 workers)
- ➤ 3-level top-to-bottom structure, centralised
- ➤ Extensive experience in implementing aid programmes for agriculture
- ➤ Sharing a vast knowledge and huge experience not only in successes but also lessons learnt from errors made













Consortium Partner - Lithuania

- > Technological innovation is our 2nd name
- ➤ Accumulated experience & know-how in the administration & implementation of twinning projects both as beneficiary and deliverer of EU support through Twinning and other Pre- and Post- Accession projects
- > Extensive experience in administration of EU support measures for agriculture and rural development
- > Experts have broad experience in providing trainings for persons participating in projects supported by the EU
- ➤ NPA the 1st support administering institution in Lithuania awarded the National Quality Prize in the category of big enterprises, proving the institution's compliance with the highest management quality standards
- ➤ NPA granted an Anti-Corruption Activities Award for educational activities targeted at the Agency staff and public













Consortium Partner - France



❖ Wine sector

- ≥ 2nd world producer (volume), 1st in value
- ➤ 15% of French agricultural production in value
- ➤ 85 000 wineries producing 45M hectoliters including 8M intended to distilled Wine Cognac and Armagnac
- 1/3 of the production is exported (8billions €).

***** Economic organization

- ➤ 597 producer organizations and 33 associations of producer organizations
- ➤ Inter-branch organization per sector.

❖ High-ranking specialists

- Experience in CMO regulations implementation
- ➤ Diversity: from central and deconcentrated administrations
- ➤ Expert in Wine involved in the International Organization of Vine and Wine.











RTA - Mr Vygantas Katkevicius, Lithuania

Since 1994 leading positions in the Lithuanian Ministry of Agriculture

34 years of professional experience in the agricultural sector



development of market information system

implementation of the EU Common Agricultural Policy (CAP)

Extensive experience in
Twinnings - RTA
in Montenegro and
projects implemented
for World Bank, STE in
Twinnings and
Technical Assistance
projects

Involvement in
Lithuania's accession
to EU negotiations and
implementation of
relevant EU acquis

WTO negotiations on Lithuania implementation of agricultural and trade policies, strategic planning Over 20 years of involvement in the programming of rural development measures of EU funded programmes and Common Market Organisation activities



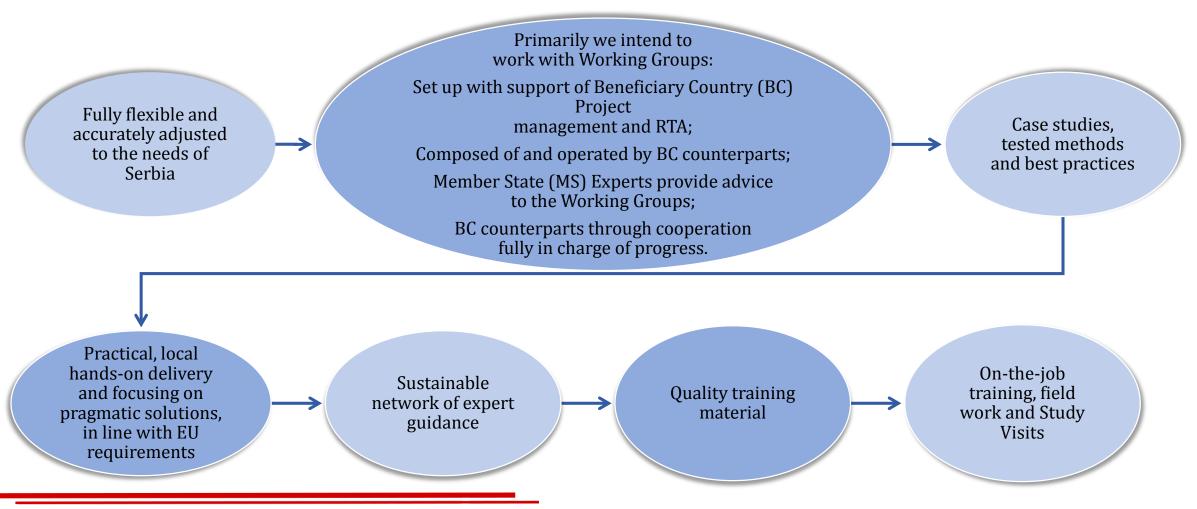








How We Are Going to Work





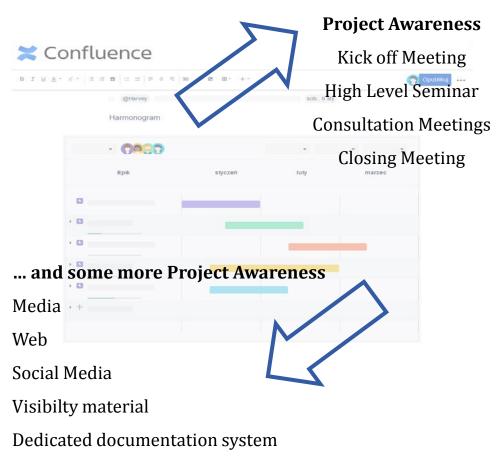








Communication and visibility







ARMA - winner of **CAP Communication Award** - for the best innovative

communication project in promotion of EU rural development programmes among society members, granted by European Commission, DG AGRI

Raise awareness among Serbian farmers and rural population of the Twinning partners and of the EU in delivering aid













Components and their Leaders: 1 & 4 - Poland

C1. Strengthening fruits and vegetable sector in Republic of Serbia in accordance with CMO in EU

Leader – Ms **Emilia Jezierska**

R1. Establishment of marketing standards for fresh fruits and vegetables.

R2. Creation of conditions for organisations in fruits and vegetables sector.

R3. Establishment & harmonisation of system for school fruit scheme.

R4. Strengthening knowledge on fruit and vegetable sector.

C4. Strengthening administrative capacities in the MAFWM in relation to the sugar sector, tobacco sector and hops sector

Leader - Ms Jolanta Dobiesz

R1. Drafting & harmonisation of Rulebook on data submission in sugar sector.

R2. Drafting & harmonisation of Rulebook on data submission in tobacco sector.

R3. Drafting & harmonisation of Rulebook on hop certificates.











Components and their Leaders: 2 & 5 - France

C2. Strengthening the wine sector, aromatised wine products and spirits in Republic of Serbia

Leader - Mr Patrick Aigrain

R1. Drafting / revision of wine regulations.

R2. Establishment of system & documents for Support in Wine Sector.

R3. Strengthening knowledge on Wine Sector.

C5. Creating conditions for the smooth establishment and functioning of producer organizations, associations of producer organizations and inter-branch organizations in line with EU requirements

Leader - Mr Cyrille Schweizer

R1. Establishment & harmonisation of system for producer & inter-branch organisations & their associations.

R2. Awareness-raising about producer organisations' benefits.

R3. Strengthening knowledge on producer & inter-branch organisations & their associations.











Components and their Leaders: 3 & 6 - Lithuania

C3. Strengthening animal products sector in Republic of Serbia in accordance with CMO

Leader - Mr Aleksandras Muzikevičius

R1. Regulations on livestock sector. Establishment & harmonisation of system for school milk scheme.

R2. Drafting & harmonisation of Rulebook on contractual relations in dairy sector.

R3. Establishing & harmonising of system for Support Beekeeping Programme.

R4. Harmonising of 3 Rulebooks on poultry meat & eggs.

R5. Study on producer organisations in dairy sector.

R6. Strengthening knowledge on animal products sector.

C6. CMO "horizontal" policies – notifications, price reporting, market interventions, trade mechanisms and Non-Annex 1 products.

Leader - Mr Simonas Pusvaskis

R1. Establishing & harmonising of marketing information system & price reporting.

R2. Creation of conditions for market interventions.

R3. Assistance in establishing system for trade mechanisms.

R4. Establishment of EC-and-WTO-tuned reporting system.

R5. Establishment of legal frame-work for PAPs.











Twinning Project Experience in Agricultural Sector



Moldova x2 Azerbaijan x2 Croatia



Bulgaria Montenegro North Macedonia Moldova Azerbaijan



Bulgaria Poland Latvia Romania Algeria x4 Serbia Georgia











PL LT FR Consortium Advantages (1/3)

• The unique set of EU Members - **Poland, Lithuania and France** along with genuine partnership of 3 Paying Agencies and 2 Ministries of Agriculture

• **Poland and Lithuania** – most similar to Serbian experience in agricultural system transformations from pre-1989 era economy to EU-like and Community Acquis











PL LT FR Consortium Advantages (2/3)

 The consortium including institutions from France – the founding country of the EU and holding currently Presidency role in the EU in 2022

• **Poland and Lithuania** - the most extensive experience in the adjustment to EU standards among new EU members states (belonging to the first group of EU-accepted new MSs)











PL LT FR Consortium Advantages (3/3)

- Twin = equal
- Not copying already existing solutions
- Not meeting rulers but working with experts hand in hand
- Help given on the basis of both our successes but also mistakes in transitions to EU-adjusted agriculture
- Help needed = help given, much more than the results to achieve, even after project closure
- Polish expertise and role in the EU agriculture is of utmost significance –
 Polish Commissioner for Agriculture in the EC











... and even more advantages



 When you think of fruits and vegetables – you think of Poland



• When you think of technological innovation in agriculture – you think of Lithuania

• When you think of wine – you think of France





















