# The Joint Programming Initiative on Agriculture, Food Security and Climate Change FACCE-JPI Alignment as seen by FACCE-JPI

Heather McKhann FACCE – JPI Secretariat

22 October 2014











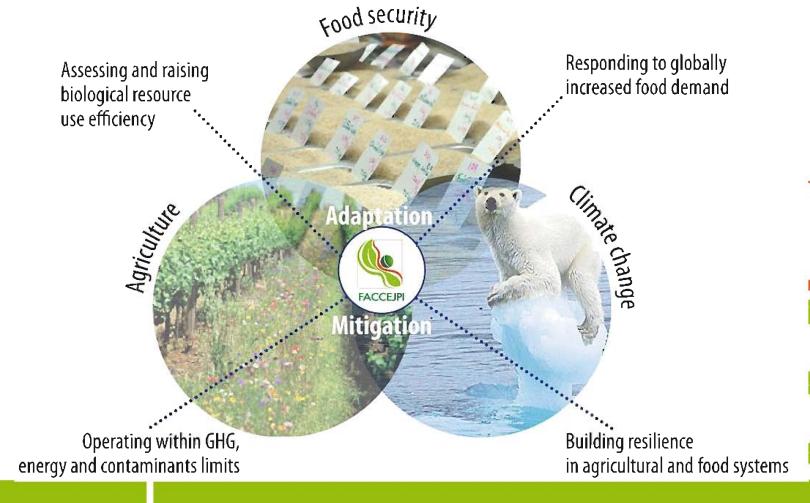








# Agriculture, Food Security and Climate Change: A great societal challenge







# A three stage process

- 1. Development of a **Common Vision** with long term objectives How cooperation and coordination of research at EU level can address the combined challenges of food security against the continuous threat represented by various scenarios of climate change, global population growth and food / non-food demand
- 2. Translate it into a **Strategic Research Agenda** (SRA) Establishing medium to long-term research needs and objectives in the area of food security through adaptation to and mitigation of climate change in agriculture
- SRA implementation identifying and exchanging information; joint foresight and technology assessment; joint research activities/modalities; infrastructure; EU/global aspects; public-private partnerships; needs of consumers and industry



# Strategic Research Agenda

Launched in December 2012



**FACCEJPI** 



#### **FACCE-JPI and ERA-NETs**

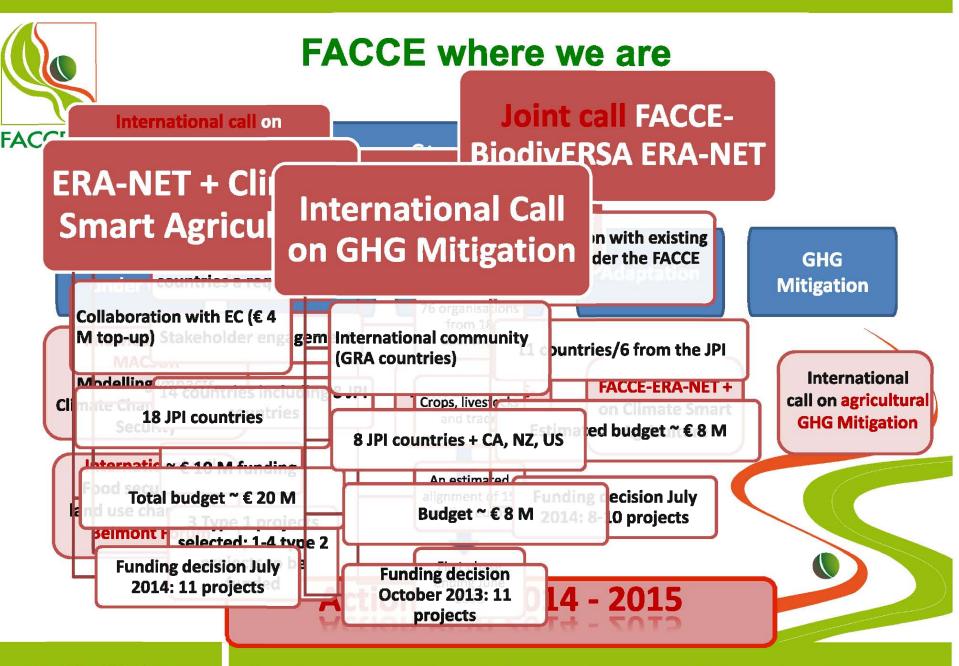
- From the beginning, FACCE has worked with the 18 ERA-NETs within its thematic scope to make links and find synergies.
- Workshops held in October 2011, April 2013; participation in PLATFORM
- Input into calls (e.g. ANIHWA second call: "Improvement of preparedness for emerging and exotic diseases")
- Joint call with BiodivERsA in 2013



#### **FACCE-JPI** and other initiatives

- FACCE has also worked with other European nd international initiatives
  - International workshops
    - July 2012, Dublin
    - June, 2013, Bonn
- Actions with Belmont Forum, GRA





**FACCEJPI** 



# FACCE – JPI Implementation Plan: Where we are going





FACCE — JPI First Biennial Implementation Plan 2014 — 2015

www.faccejpi.com

Adopted 21 October 2013





#### **FACCE-JPI:** How we work

Based on common vision and Strategic Research Agenda, FACCE-JPI defines three types of joint actions

ALIGN: Much research/all or many countries → Alignment, e.g. through Knowledge Hubs or Knowledge Networks, Thematic Annual Programming (Geographic, thematic) or working with existing initiativesAvoid duplication, create critical mass, data and model sharing

INVEST: Need for new research funding → New calls (H2020, ERA-NETs, new transnational calls)

Strengthen European research effort, create synergy

**EXPLORE:** Emerging research topics → Ideas lab, workshops Enhance innovation and breakthrough technologies





# **The Implementation Plan: 2014**

#### Alignment of existing national research

- 1 Knowledge Hub on plant disease epidemiology under climate change
- 1 Knowledge Network on the development of options for sustainable intensification of European crop (both major and minor crops) and livestock systems

#### Co-funding:

- 1 ERA-NET on Sustainable and resilient agriculture for food and non-food systems
- 1 FACCE Coordination and Support Action

#### **Explore:**

- 2 Exploratory workshops:
- Animal health and diseases and GHG Mitigation
- Food safety implications of climate change and climate variability





# **The Implementation Plan: 2015**

#### Alignment of existing national research

- 1 Knowledge Hub on experimental climate change studies on crop and grassland systems
- 1 Thematic Annual Programming Network: gather national funders to discuss major national research programmes on improving agricultural soil quality, with the objective to align them

#### Co-funding:

- 1 ERA-NET on Agricultural greenhouse gas research (proposed by FACCE)
- 2 additional ERA-NETs on Sust. Animal Production, Water

#### **Explore:**

#### 3 Exploratory workshops:

- Methods for better integrating research on food economics and climate change
- Better understanding of trade-offs across ecosystem services and their economic effects at farm level
- Overcoming socioeconomic and technological barriers to GHG mitigation in European agri-



### **Specific Tools for Alignment**

FACCE-JPI Knowledge Hub (KH)
FACCE-JPI Knowledge Network (KN)
Thematic Annual Programming (TAP)

Developed by and for FACCE-JPI





## **Tools: FACCE-JPI Knowledge Hub (KH)**

- ❖ Network of selected research groups within a defined area of research
- ❖ Variable geometry (national rules) + virtual common pot
- Dedicated to research, networking and capacity-building
- ❖ Foster transnational cooperation, collaboration and communication of the research communities and contribute to optimising research outcomes by facilitating a better networking and information exchange between all actors
- → Example: MACSUR Knowledge Hub started for 3 years in June 2012



#### **MACSUR**

#### MACSUR as an example:

- Brings together 265 people in 71 institutions of 18 countries,
   Provided important inputs into IPCC AR5,
- Has made a survey of 86 crop, 10 grassland, 8 farm and 26 economics models
- 170 peer reviewed publications, 16 contributions to books, 13 other publications, 301 external presentations, 1 international congress
- 260 additional person months (over 3 years), 8 M€ fresh money
- 14 supervised theses
- 36 training and specialist workshops





# **Tools: FACCE-JPI Knowledge Network (KN)**

- Same objectives as Knowledge Hub for research areas that are broader than those covered by a Knowledge Hub and with a larger community of researchers
- Consortia funded in a competitive process
- Several networks of research groups within the area of research
- Variable geometry (national rules) + virtual common pot



- → All/many countries have research in a given area (e.g. soil quality) with new calls or programmes foreseen
- → These will be aligned through decision by national funders on common wording and criteria for selection and evaluation, but carried out at national level
- → Funded projects will be networked to avoid overlaps by e.g. a common workshop
- → FACCE-JPI members can plan for several years



# But also other ideas to be developed

- Education, training and mobility
- Centres of excellence
- Networks of experimental/ demonstration sites (e.g. farms)
- Coordination of nationally funded research (COST)
- Research infrastructures
- Smart specialisation
- Ideas labs
- Venture challenges...

See http://www.faccejpi.com/faccejpi/Documentlibrary/Toolbox-of-potential-funding-instruments

**FACCEJPI** 

## Thank you for your attention!

Email: SecretariatJPI@paris.inra.fr

Visit: www.faccejpi.com

