



**The European Alliance
on Agricultural Knowledge
for Development**

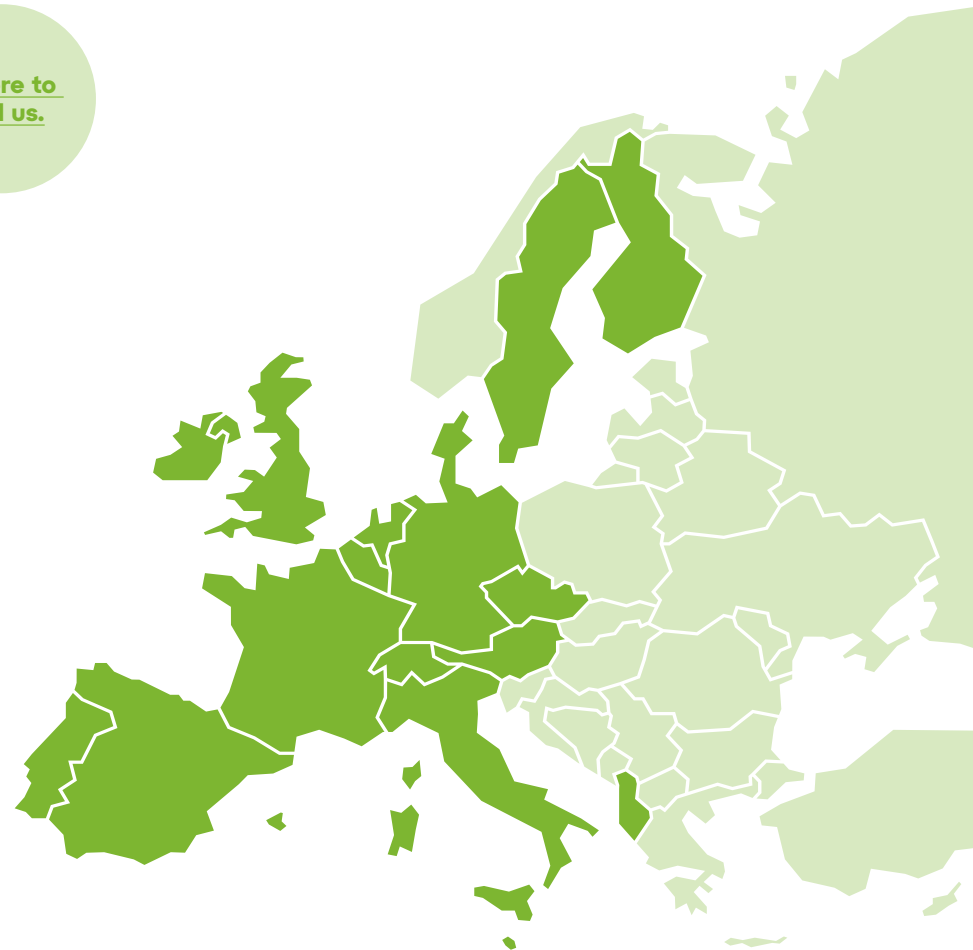


Since 1988, [Agrinatura](#) has remained one of the major research organizations in Europe, committed with agricultural research and top education for research and development.

AGRINATURA WORKS COLLABORATIVELY ON AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH AND EDUCATION FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

Agrinatura, the European Alliance on Agricultural Knowledge for Development, is an Association of 34 European Universities and Research centres supporting agricultural research and development (ARD) by establishing research project consortia, leading science policy dialogue, and providing an evidence based knowledge platform or capacity building to improve the livelihoods of farmers and their communities.

Where to
find us.





AGRINATURA VISION AND OBJECTIVES — THE MAJOR AND VOICE IN EUROPE

Agrinatura and its members have common interests in supporting sustainable agricultural development to improve people's lives and to contribute to achieving the goals of the United Nations Agenda 2030 and The European Green Deal by:

- playing a pro-active policy advocacy role for agricultural research and education for development in Europe and worldwide;
 - working with a network of partner organisations across the world that share our vision;
 - developing, strengthening, and encouraging strategic alliances, partnerships, and networks with and between the different stakeholders (institutions, organisations, and individuals) worldwide;
 - organising, facilitating and implementing joint participation in European and international research programmes and projects
 - providing support and advice for evidence-based policy making, in particular at the European level;
 - offering a platform for exchange and dissemination.
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AGRINATURA ACTIVITIES

Agrinatura achieves its goals by various activities such as:

1. Leading the science-policy dialogue

- Agrinatura participates in High Level Policy Dialogues with the European Commission (EC), United Nations (UN) and the Food and Agriculture Organisation (FAO).
- Agrinatura is invited as the major institutional voice to provide valuable expertise on current topics (EU Green Deal, Farm to Fork strategy).
- Creating and publishing policy briefs and position papers (QR codes to the papers).



2. Connecting with other organisations to further develop global partnerships

- Close collaboration with the Regional Universities Forum for Capacity Building in Agriculture (RUFORUM).
- Agrinatura is a standing committee in the Association for European Life Science Universities (ICA).
- Supporting youth inclusiveness by cooperating with Youth Professionals for Agriculture and Research Development (YPARD) and International Association of Students in Agricultural and Related Sciences (IAAS).
- Working in synergy with Food and Agriculture Organisation (FAO) and Tropical Agriculture Platform (FAO TAP).
- Aligning efforts with the Southeast Asian Regional Center for Graduate Study and Research in Agriculture (SEARCA).

3. Transforming interdisciplinary research expertise and experience into action

→ Agrinatura collaborates in numerous capacity building ERASMUS+ projects, including:

- **The PISAI** project focused on capacity building in agriculture and natural resources management, implemented in Asian countries.
- The Master of Science in Food Security and Climate Change **(MS FSCC)** project creating a joint degree offered by members of Southeast Asian Universities.
- Support of International Platform Merging Labour and Education **(SIMPLE)**, encouraging cooperation between academic sector HEIs and the professional sector in the areas of agriculture and life sciences in selected Asian countries.

→ **Development and implementation of integrated study programmes:**

- **Master ACT** an integrated joint degree European Master of Sciences Agriculture, Climate, Transition.
- **Agris Mundus** two-year training master programme in agricultural development and management of natural resources.

→ **Collaboration with global partners:**

- In partnership with the European Commission Agrinatura delivers the Value Chain Analysis for Development **(VCA4D)** component of the EC's Inclusive and Sustainable Value Chains and Food Fortification Programme by developing and applying an integrated toolkit to undertake systematic analyses of the value chains.
- Leveraging the DeSIRA initiative for agri-food systems transformation. **DeSIRA-LIFT** supports DeSIRA's current and future activities in order to enhance its impacts.

- Nutrition Research Facility **(NRF)** is implemented by Agrinatura to provide knowledge and evidence for policy and programme design, management, monitoring and evaluation in order to reach better nutrition outcomes. It provides expert advice to the EC and to the EU.

4. Supporting the development of the strong institutional voice and science communication by

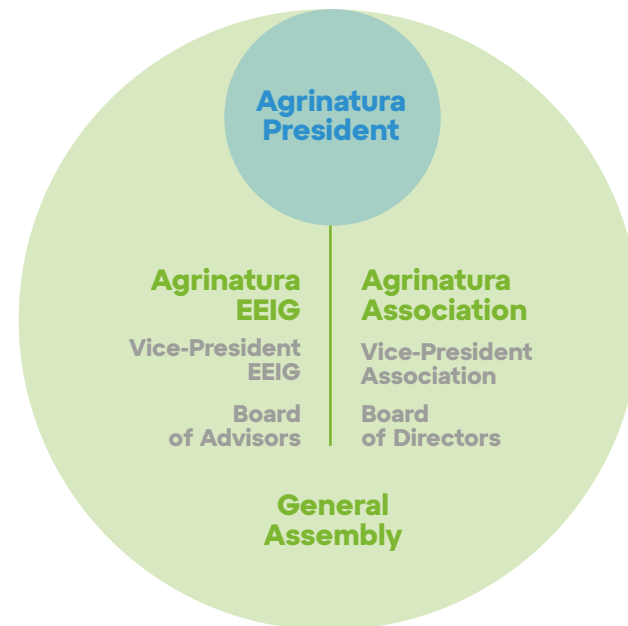
- Supporting the **TROPENTAG** annual interdisciplinary conference.
- Workshops, Discussions and **Events** organised (UNFSS Side Event, InfoPoint's Event, General Assembly Workshops).



AGRINATURA STRUCTURE AND WORKING GROUPS

Agrinatura (1) **the Agrinatura Association a non-profit organisation** and (2) **Agrinatura EEIG the Economic Interest Grouping**. The highest body of Agrinatura is the General Assembly, including all members, and meets annually, chaired by the President. The management lays in the hands of the Board of Directors for the Association and Advisory Board for the EEIG. The president is seconded by two Vice-presidents representing Agrinatura Association and Agrinatura EEIG. The Agrinatura Association is seated in Belgium with the office in the Czech Republic, staffed with a General Secretary. The Agrinatura EEIG is seated in France with office in UK. Other than the decision-making body, Agrinatura has four Working Groups dealing with specific objectives. Overall, they work together towards the implementation of the general aims of Agrinatura on their respective areas of work:

- Advocacy Working Group.
- Communication Working Group.
- Project Working Group.
- Research Working Group.



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based at NRI**

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secretariat office
based at CZU**

LIST OF MEMBERS

Agrinatura members belong to prestigious European universities and research organizations with a vast experience in research on tropical and subtropical

agriculture, organic agriculture, forestry, food security and human nutrition, veterinary medicine, fisheries and related environmental sciences.

Nr.	Country	Institution	Abbreviation	Webistes
01	Albania	Agricultural University of Tirana	AUT	www.ubt.edu.al
02	Austria	University of Natural Resources and Life Sciences, Vienna	BOKU	www.boku.ac.at
03	Belgium	Catholic University of Leuven	KU Leuven	www.kuleuven.be
04	Belgium	Gembloux Agro-Bio Tech, University of Liège	Gembloux*	www.gembloux.uliege.be
05	Belgium	Ghent University	UGent*	www.ugent.be
06	Belgium	Research Institute of Organic Agriculture Europe	FIBL	www.fibl.org
07	Belgium	Université catholique de Louvain	UCL	www.uclouvain.be
08	Czech Republic	Czech University of Life Sciences Prague	CZU	www.czu.cz
09	Denmark	Aarhus University	AU	www.au.dk
10	Denmark	University of Copenhagen	UCPH	www.ku.dk
11	Finland	University of Helsinki	UH	www.slu.se
12	Finland	Natural Resource Institute Finland	LUKE	www.helsinki.fi
13	France	Agreenium	Agreenium	www.luke.fi
14	France	Agropolis International	Agropolis*	www.agreenium.org
15	France	Ecole Supérieure D'agro-Développement International	ISTOM	www.istom.com
16	France	l'Institut Agro	SupAgro	www.institut-agro.fr
17	France	Centre for intl. cooperation research and development in agriculture	CIRAD*	www.cirad.fr
18	France	Institute of Research for Development	IRD	www.ird.fr
19	Germany	Centre of Biodiversity and Sustainable Land Use, Göttingen	CBL	www.uni-goettingen.de
20	Germany	Center for Development Research, University of Bonn	ZEF	www.zef.de

Nr.	Country	Institution	Abbreviation	Webistes
21	Germany	University of Hohenheim	UHOH	www.uni-hohenheim.de
22	Ireland	National University of Ireland Galway	NUI Galway	www.nuigalway.ie
23	Ireland	University College Cork	UCC	www.ucc.ie
24	Italy	University of Catania	UNICT	www.unict.it
25	Italy	Consiglio per la ricerca in agricoltura e l'analisi dell'economia agraria	CREA	www.crea.gov.it
26	Netherlands	International Centre for development oriented Research in Agriculture	ICRA*	www.icra-edu.org
27	Netherlands	Royal Tropical Institute	KIT	www.kit.nl
28	Netherlands	Wageningen University and Research centre	WUR*	www.wur.nl
29	Portugal	Instituto Superior de Agronomia, Universidade de Lisboa	ISA*	www.isa.ulisboa.pt
30	Spain	Universidad Politécnica de Madrid	UPM	www.upm.es
31	Sweden	Swedish University of Agricultural Science	SLU*	www.slu.se
32	Switzerland	Bern University of Applied Sciences	BFH	www.bfh.ch
33	United Kingdom	Natural Resources Institute, University of Greenwich	NRI*	www.nri.org
34	United Kingdom	University of Reading	Ureading	www.reading.ac.uk

*Members of Agrinatura EEIG



**BECOME PART OF
SOMETHING BIGGER —
BECOME AN
AGRINATURA MEMBER**

Increase the impact of your ARD activities and contribute to the global dialogue with the leading European partners on the field. By becoming a member of Agrinatura, you will become part of a major group of research and education stakeholders in Europe dealing with agricultural research and higher education for development. Let's shape our future together!

- Agrinatura brings its collective resources to work in partnership with international collaborators.
- Agrinatura advocates for greater support of agricultural research and educational programmes that contribute to the United Nations' Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).
- Agrinatura gives its members the opportunity to shape European policies and initiatives affecting higher education and research.
- Yearly membership fee will allow you to attend closed meetings, workshops, and other events where discussion about direction of sustainable Agriculture Research and Development take place.
- As a member you will receive a newsletter 3 times a year with invitations and updates on past and following events.
- Apply by sending the Application letter addressed to President to the Agrinatura secretariat, **secretariat@agrinatura-eu.eu**.

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