

Fostering Agri-Culture Among Young People











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Agriculture and Young People

Characteristics of agriculture

- In 2010, the regular agricultural labour force in the EU-27 was around **25.0 million people** (Istat, *Agricultural Census 2010*, 2011)
- More than 2 million new jobs could be created in the European Union as a result of innovative approaches in green sectors of activity (EFFAT, *Green Jobs in Agriculture and Rural Areas*, 2014)

Agriculture and Young People

Challenges

- A gap exists between jobs available in this sector and workers who are qualified to fill them (Common Declaration of the European Social Partners in Agriculture, 2013)
- Too few young workers are joining agriculture. Attract young people, by improving agriculture's image and removing obstacles

Overview

- The main goal of FAYP is to **promote dialogue among employers' associations** on their role to foster youth employment and entrepreneurship in agriculture
- The project will be developed around three pillars:

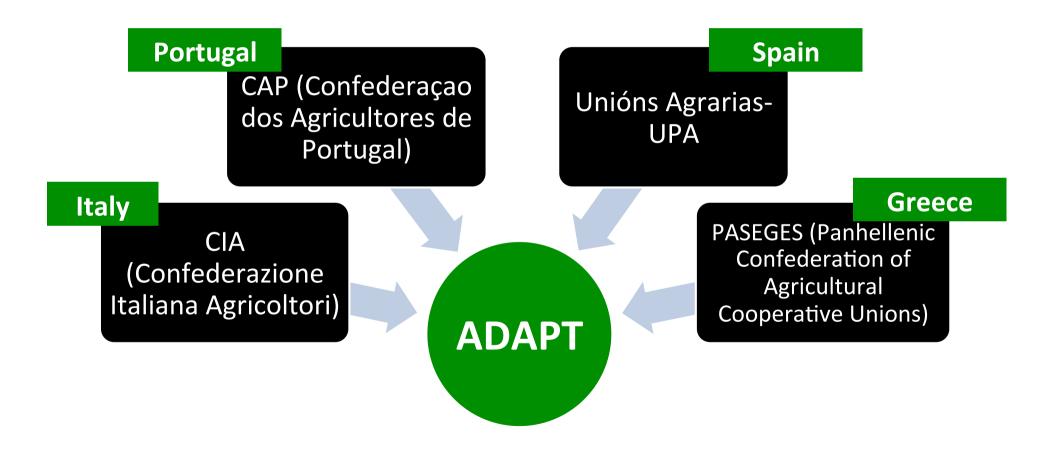


FAYP – Objectives

Social Dialogue and Collective Bargaining for the Modernisation of the Agricultural Sector

- Reinforcement of employers' associations roles and responsibilities in attracting young people to food and agriculture
- Analyse the actions that employers' associations are implementing to promote green skills development and young people involvement in professional training or higher education programmes linked to agriculture
- Provide detailed insights into experiences and results of social dialogue and collective bargaining to improve working conditions in the sector
- Analyse **challenges** that employers' associations are facing to facilitate the start-up of new agrifood businesses

FAYP – The partnership



FAYP – Partners' Roles and Responsibilities

Co-applicants' tasks

- 1 Mapping exercise: unilateral programmes, as well as social dialogue initiatives to attract young people to the agrifood sector; strategies of agrifood employers to attract and retain young people
- To draft a country case study report
- **To answer in person semi-structured** interviews conducted by ADAPT
- To host the FAYP meetings

FAYP – Partners' Roles and Responsibilities

Applicant's tasks

- —To manage the project during its whole duration
- —To create the online cooperation platform
- Desk research, literature review
- —Interviews to employers' representatives in the four countries
- —Drafting of the comparative report, as well as of the final report

FAYP - Expected Results

Specific outcomes

- -Co-applicants' outcomes: 4 national case study reports
- Applicant's outcomes: 1 comparative report based on the 4 country reports and the results of interviews; 1 comprehensive final report
- Both applicant and co-applicants' outcomes:
 Agriculture Employer-Based Position Paper on Youth Employment.

FAYP - Expected Results

Goals

- —To increase the solidity and effectiveness of unilateral and bilateral social dialogue actions
- -To strengthen synergies and exchanges between national and European social partners
- To increase the awareness among social partners and policy makers regarding actions to turn agriculture into an opportunity for young people