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A pathway to growth in Europe

Farm Europe is a multicultural think tank that aims at stimulating thinking on rural economies. In a European Union with 28 Member States, we are convinced that networking and the confrontation of ideas can generate and offer decision-makers ambitious, innovative, forward looking political alternatives. With our Partners and Members we share the belief that we all have a responsibility in being active player in the European project designing and promoting forward looking ideas.

OUR VISION

Countryside is fast moving...

Rural economies are full of opportunities. New technologies and products, growing demand and the development of a sustainable economy, high speed connection to the world, access to efficient educational systems are powerful levers of growth and jobs. In the meantime rural areas are confronted with major challenges. Fierce competition, the need for continuous innovation, volatility of markets and consumption trends, climate change, natural resources and the risk of "brain drain" from rural areas to cities are some of the factors that jeopardise investments and future jobs.

...public policies must move forward

Farm Europe wants our Continent to keep its position as a world leader in the rural business. Therefore Europe needs to be ambitious and to build a political framework that matches this ambition. This means both developing our capacity to look ahead some ten years or so and increasing our ability to build coherent and multidimensional strategies for key economic sectors, especially agriculture and food which are the most integrated sectors at EU level and the socio-economic background for rural economies.

OUR PRIORITIES

Farm Europe develops its own analysis and innovative solutions and offers its partners and members a platform to confront their views. We promote an ambitious, sustainable and coherent vision of rural economies.

The think tank focuses on all policy areas having an impact on the rural business with a strong emphasis on agriculture and food policies, and especially the Common Agricultural Policy which is the main public lever to act at the European level.

Our main policy areas are:

- Agriculture ;
- Food ;
- Environment ;
- Energy ;
- And trade

Farm Europe introduces into the debate spearhead proposals for decision-makers, with the objective of offering solutions, identify necessary breaches of tradition and indicate pathways to build efficient policies in order to unleash the potential of rural economies.

We work on the best ways to promote:

- Jobs, growth and investments;
- Sustainability and progress in rural areas;
- Diversification and added-value;
- Governance, resilience and organisation;
- Trade and export strategies.

Farm Europe promotes an holistic and coherent approach for rural economies based on horizontal and sector-wide drivers.

OUR STRUCTURE

Farm Europe is an independent, creative and engaged voice contributing to the debate via the research of its own team, its publications and events, and the work of its members and partners.

The think tank itself has no political orientations. Our goal is to stimulate thinking with all partners and members. The think tank has its own multicultural team of recognised senior experts.

We are open to a wide range of partners and members willing to contribute to the debate, launch ideas and found a platform to increase the publicity of their views.

Members

Farm Europe does not accept individual person as member. Only governmental or institutional organisations, companies, universities, media, business and trade organisations can participate in the work of the think tank.

The membership gives access to the work of the think tank to all the staff of the member organisations, to a wide range of publications, events, and workshops. We also organise VIP events for the leaders of our member organisations.

Partners

Farm Europe develops its expertise and capacity to work on new themes with one-off partnerships or with long-term partners. We organise regular meetings and tailor-made workshops with our partners who contribute to set up the research agenda of the think tank.

The think tank is open to a few individual honorary members recognised for their contribution and their career in the political or economic world.

Honorary members participate in strategic seminars and contribute by bringing their global knowledge of European institutions, political priorities and economic challenges.