

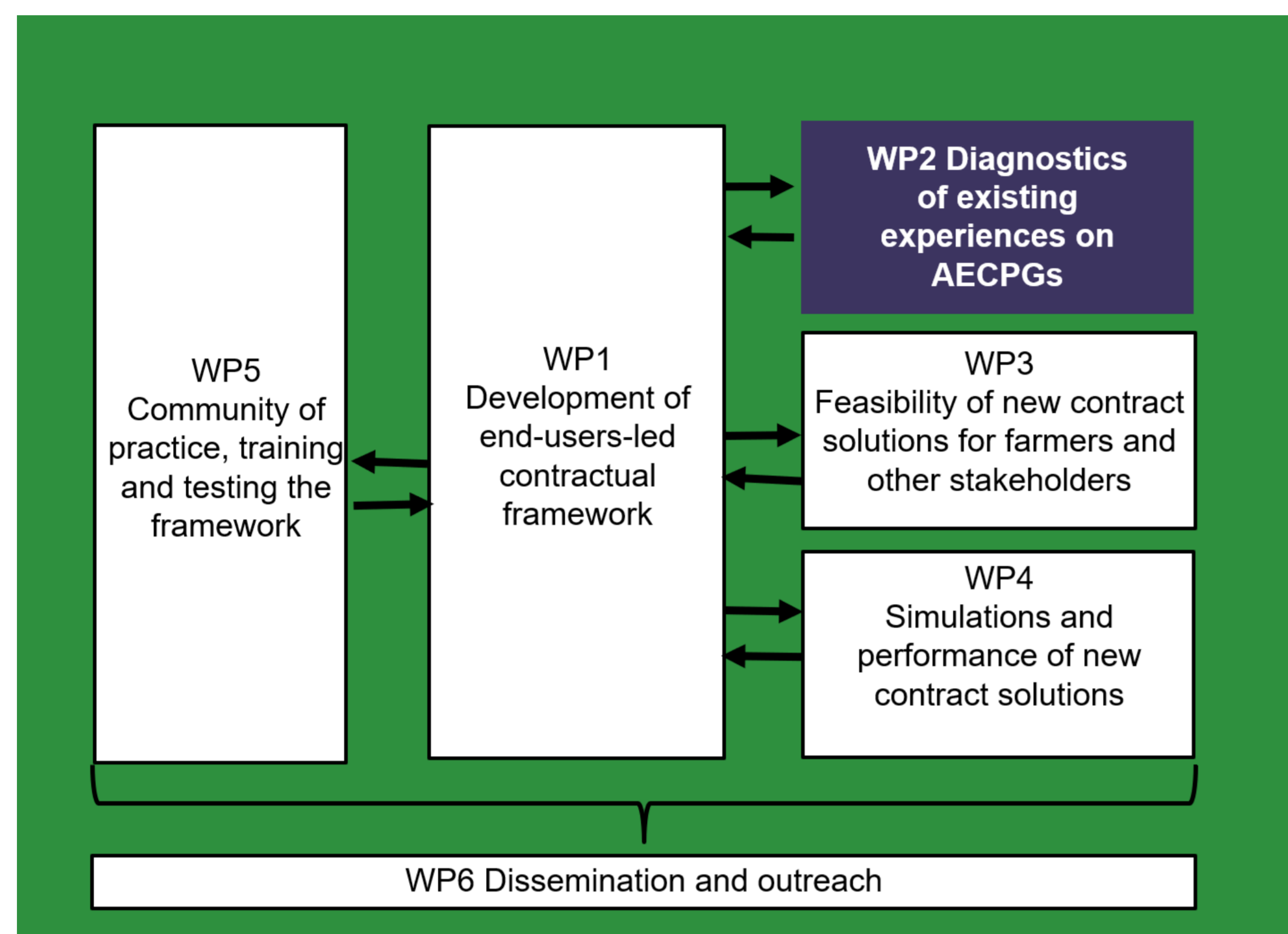


CONSOLE

CONtract Solutions for Effective and lasting delivery of agri-environmental-climate public goods by EU agriculture and forestry

General objective

The **CONSOLE** project focuses on promoting the delivery of Agri-Environmental Climate Public Goods (AECPGs) by agriculture and forestry through the development of improving contractual solutions (that is, the relationships between the public administration at different scales and the farmers).



To boost innovation in the lasting delivery of AECPGs by EU agriculture and forestry, by:

- building a Community of Practice (CoP)
- designing and testing effective and efficient cooperation models
- developing a contractual framework supporting implementation by multiple actors



Specific objectives

1. Develop an operational, contractual framework serving the development of improved and new contracts, accompanied by solutions tailored to local contexts to facilitate policy making, stakeholder interplay and to incentivise contract uptake;
2. Distil lessons learned from past and ongoing experiences through the structured qualitative assessment of successful, innovative and effective contract solutions in the EU and in third countries for the delivery of specific or multiple AECPGs;
3. Develop understanding of the acceptability and ease of implementation of innovative contract solutions through surveys involving a wide range of farmers, rural landowners and other key contract actors in 12 EU Member States;
4. Understand the economic, social and environmental performance of new and innovative contract design options by in-depth empirical exploration and model simulation;
5. Build a CoP with practitioners and actors involved and interested in the AECPG provision to facilitate co-constructing, testing and implementation of new solutions, as well as contributing to multiply impacts through participatory co-training;
6. Making CONSOLE results, operative and easily accessible to a wide target audience of interested actors and stakeholders (farmers, farm advisors, administration, business along value chains, NGOs, etc.), hence contributing to a major transition in the way AECPGs are delivered in Europe.

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Contract solutions

Contract solutions in the project:

- (1) Result-based approaches
- (2) Approaches with collective implementation
- (3) Solutions including the value chain
- (4) Approaches based on land tenure

Expected outcome

A framework to better design and implement AECPGs contracts, built together with a CoP ready and able to apply the framework in a real-life context.

It will include:

A catalogue showcasing existing successful experiences and good practices in AECPGs contracting Improved AECPGs contracts solutions suitable to be used as models for future design, including their assessment and the role for different levels of governance (from local to EU)

A comprehensive guide to the process for the design of AECPGs contracts (including conceptual basis, design variables, determinants, roles, legal and technological aspects Documentation, training and supporting materials

Partners

CONSOLE project is based on the mobilization of 24 institutions, covering a broad range of actors (farmers, organizations, researchers, public administration, consultant companies, ...



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