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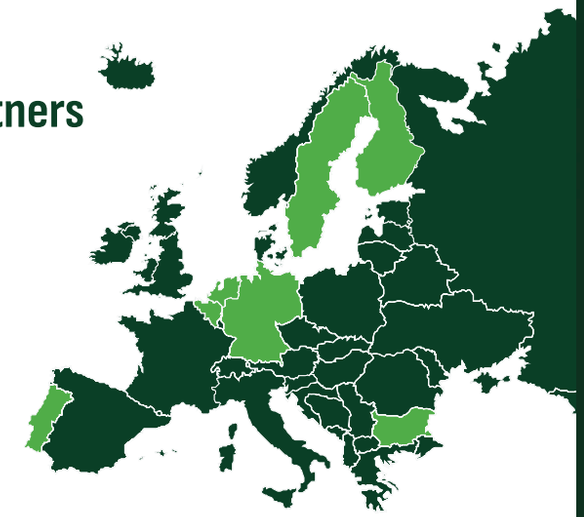

7 Case Studies in 7 Countries

Central to LAFERIA and working across all WPs are seven case studies across seven countries.

- Belgium
- Bulgaria
- Finland
- Germany
- Netherlands
- Portugal
- Sweden

All case studies will employ a participatory engagement framework, working with stakeholders to co-develop strategies for the reintroduction of landscape features in each of these systems.

The case studies serve as a learning platform, describing concrete problems and co-creating solutions.

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ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES

Examine the prevalence of landscape features (such as hedgerows, field margins, and small wetlands) in EU agricultural systems, their contribution for biodiversity, ecosystem services and agricultural production, as well as their benefits and costs.

SOCIAL SCIENCES

Analyse factors influencing landscape features reintroduction in intensive agriculture, including existing mechanisms and tools, an overview of successful and failed initiatives, assessing perceptions and decision making processes of land owners/ managers as well as existing business models in case study regions.

STRATEGY DEVELOPMENT

Co-develop strategies with key stakeholders from local through regional and national to EU levels, identify priority regions for reintroducing landscape features, and proposing policy tools, business models, and market-based solutions to enhance benefits from landscape features restoration.

Background

The LAFERIA project aims to restore landscape features (LF), defined as small fragments of non-productive natural or semi-natural vegetation, in EU agricultural areas. By identifying key drivers and developing strategies to overcome barriers to their reintroduction, LAFERIA supports the

EU's 2030 goal of 10 % landscape features coverage to enhance biodiversity and ecosystem services.

Objectives

- Quantify landscape features coverage and connectivity across different agricultural systems
- Establish a comprehensive picture of the benefits and costs of landscape features for biodiversity, ecosystem services, climate change adaptation, yields, incomes and society at large
- Explore the drivers and challenges for the reintroduction of landscape features
- Develop strategies and business models to reintroduce landscape features

Work Packages

- **WP1** Status of landscape features in Europe's agricultural systems
- **WP2** Assessing private and public benefits and costs
- **WP3** Learning from existing initiatives of reintroduction of landscape features
- **WP4** Drivers and challenges for landscape features' reintroduction
- **WP5** Stakeholder engagement, co-creation, and social transformation tools
- **WP6** Strategies to reintroduce landscape features
- **WP7** Coordination and Project management