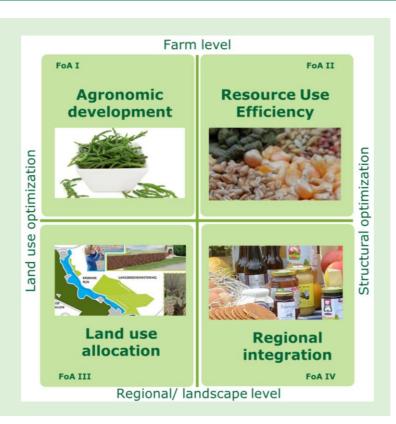


# VIABLE INTENSIFICATION OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTION THROUGH SUSTAINABLE LANDSCAPE TRANSITION

## **RESULTS 2016-2017 AND OUTLOOK 2018-2019**

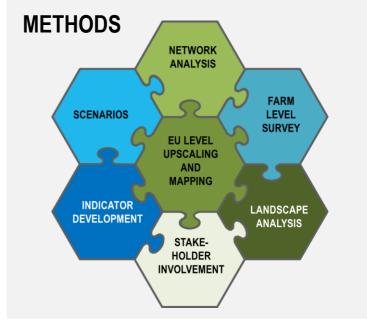
### FOUR FIELDS OF ACTION<sup>1</sup>

- Sustainable intensification (SI)
   actions can be taken on farm
   level or regional level,
   affecting the land use or the
   production structure.
- Current: actions mainly focused on Fields of Action 2 and 3.
- Future: high potential and need for regional integration (Field of Action 4).



### **OBJECTIVES**

- Identify triggers and constraints for sustainable intensification (SI);
- Develop context dependent SI indicators;
- Understand interaction within network for transition to SI;
- Embed regional SI developments in EU contexts.



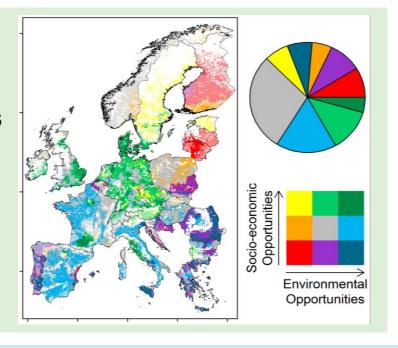
### STAKEHOLDER MAPPING

- Key role for public agencies.
- Farmers' organizations are crucial stakeholders.
- Need of formal structures of knowledge exchange – Advisers are needed.
- Communication between farmers and environmental agents is complex.

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### **EU OPPORTUNITIES FOR SI<sup>2</sup>**

- Erosion, inefficient water use and suboptimal land use set a need for SI in 65% of Europe's arable land.
- Socio-economic opportunities limit potential implementation of SI measures.
- High opportunities of SI exist in 34% of the EU's arable land.



# **VITAL FUTURE 2018-2019**

- Social Network Analysis: Key actors of change and potential for action
- Farm-scale and landscape analysis: Triggers and constraints for change
- European scale data and scenario analysis: What could be changed?
  - Biomass use, human and livestock diets
  - Land systems

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