



Networking European Farms to Enhance cRoss ferTilisation and Innovation uptake Through demonstration

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Short description of NEFERTITI project



The Project “Networking European Farms to Enhance Cross Fertilisation and Innovation Uptake Through demonstration” (NEFERTITI) is a unique Network (selected under Horizon 2020, Societal Challenge 2, RUR 12-2017 call) comprising 32 partners and coordinated by ACTA, the head of Network of the French Agricultural Technical Institutes. [The project website](#).

Save the date! Farm Demo Conference

Save the date! The **FarmDemo Conference 2.0 will be held on May 11, 2022, in Brussels!** The conference will be organised jointly by NEFERTITI (<https://nefertiti-h2020.eu/>) and IPMworks (<https://ipmworks.net/>) projects with the participation of IPM-DECISIONS (<https://www.ipmdecisions.net>).

The conference will bring together farmers, advisors, researchers, policy makers, and other actors who will have different opportunities during the plenary sessions and workshops to exchange their experiences and gain new knowledge on sustainable farming. Also, the participants will have various opportunities to present their opinion and actively participate in the on-going discussions on the different aspects of the demonstration activities.

The program and the registration form are coming soon on the project website.

Cross visit for farmers and advisers

A NEFERTITI Cross-Visit is a “cross border demonstration” gathering the manager (“coaches”) of the demonstration hubs and the demo-farmers of a given network. For 2 days, participants attend 2 /3 demonstrations events and exchange technical knowledge as well as demonstration knowledge to learn about new farming practices from other countries, contexts and AKIS (Agriculture Knowledge and Innovation Systems).

Up to now 14 Cross Visits were organized : 8 in 2019 and 6 in 2021:

- The Cross visit of Network 05 “Crop sensing and variable rate applications” was held from 16 to 18 June 2021 in Reims/Betheny, France. The host was ARVALIS - Institut du vegetal (The French applied I research institutes on arable crops). You can learn about the visit through the following two videos: Video 1 [here](#) and Video 2 [here](#).
- The Cross Visit of Network 8 “Water use efficiency in horticulture” was held from 7 to 8 October 2021 in Bleiswijk, The Netherlands. The host was Wageningen University & Research. You can learn about the visit [here](#).
- The Cross Visit of Network 1 “Grassland & carbon sequestration” and Network 10 “You can farm: Farm attractiveness” was held from 14 to 16 October 2021 in Ireland. The host was Teagasc (the Agriculture and Food Development Authority). You can learn about the visit [here](#).





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- The Cross Visit of Network 7 “Improved nutrient use efficiency in horticulture” was held from 17 to 19 October 2021 in Sofia and Plovdiv, Bulgaria. The host was the Bulgarian National Agricultural Advisory Service. You can learn about the visit [here](#).



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- The Cross Visit of Network 4 “Optimal soil quality in arable crops” was held from 19 to 21 October 2021 in Belgium and The Netherlands. The hosts were INAGRO (research and knowledge centre) and Wageningen University & Research. You can learn about the visit [here](#).



- The Cross Visit of Network 02 “Data driven decisions for dairy farmers” and Network 03 “Robust organic livestock systems” was held from 27 and 28 October 2021 in Bretagne, France. The hosts were Institut de L'elevage (IDELE - The French Livestock Institute) and the Regional Chamber of Agriculture of Brittany (CRAB). You can learn about the visit [here](#).



Year 2022 will be the last year for Cross Visits.

FarmDemo YouTube Channel

Three new NEFERTITI videos about innovation decisions in dairy farms have been uploaded on FarmDemo YouTube channel.

Each of these three videos was shot during the NEFERTITI Cross Visits in Brittany (France) with demonstrations of new technologies for optimizing in different ways the processes in dairy farms.

The Videos present information about the practices and systems that French farmers use to improve the quality of life in their farms, find better work-life balance and reduce costs:
Links to videos and more information can be found [here](#).



Many more interesting videos can be found on the **FarmDemo YouTube Channel** [here](#).



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