



EU Minor Uses Coordination Facility and EUMUDA



Minor Uses - definition

Regulation (EC) No 1107/2009 - Article 3(26):

Use of a plant protection product in a particular Member State on plants or plant products which are:

(a) **not widely grown** in that Member State,
or

(b) **widely grown** to meet an **exceptional** plant protection need



Minor Uses - Importance

Only **3%** of the cultivated area, but representing **22%** of the value of the entire EU plant production value.



**minor use
major value***

If the EU** fails to provide plant protection solutions for minor use and speciality crops*** Is Europe ready to lose a market worth €70 billion/year, representing 22% of the total value of annual EU agricultural output?

* An awareness raising campaign promoted by the EU Agri-Food Chain Partners (AREFLH, CELCAA, COCERAL, Copa-Cogeca, ECPA, ESA, Freshfel, IBMA, PROFEL and Union Fleurs)
** The European Commission, The Council of The European Union, The European Parliament, and Member States
*** Minor uses concern crops grown on relatively small acreage like fruits, herbs, vegetables, cereals including rice, seed crops and small crop seed treatments, hops, flowers and all those plants that need a tailor made plant protection product, whether it is for growing them, storage or transportation

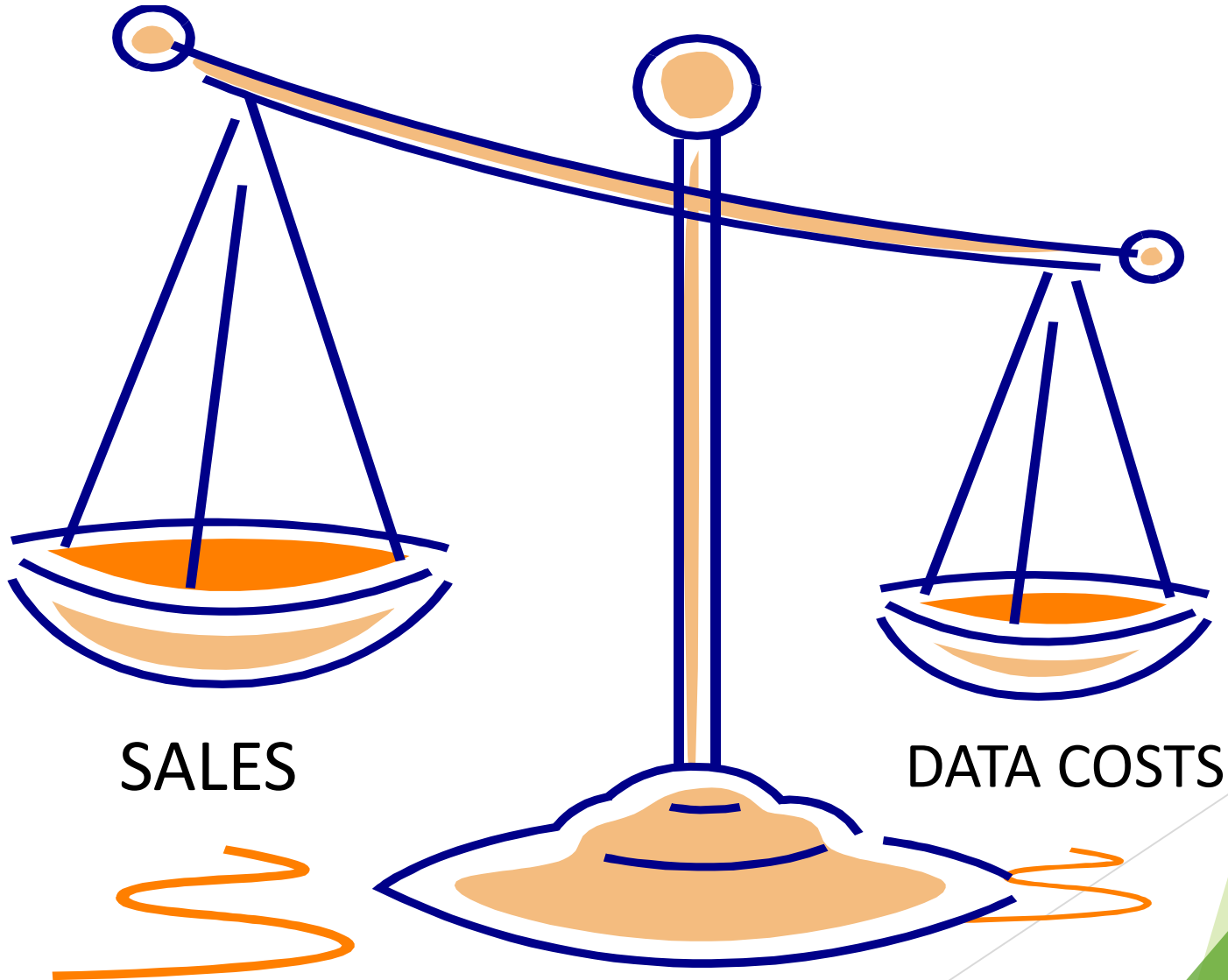
Across the EU these minor crops represent a value of more than **70 billion Euros** per year.



From 'Minor crops' to 'Speciality crops'!



Minor Use Problem

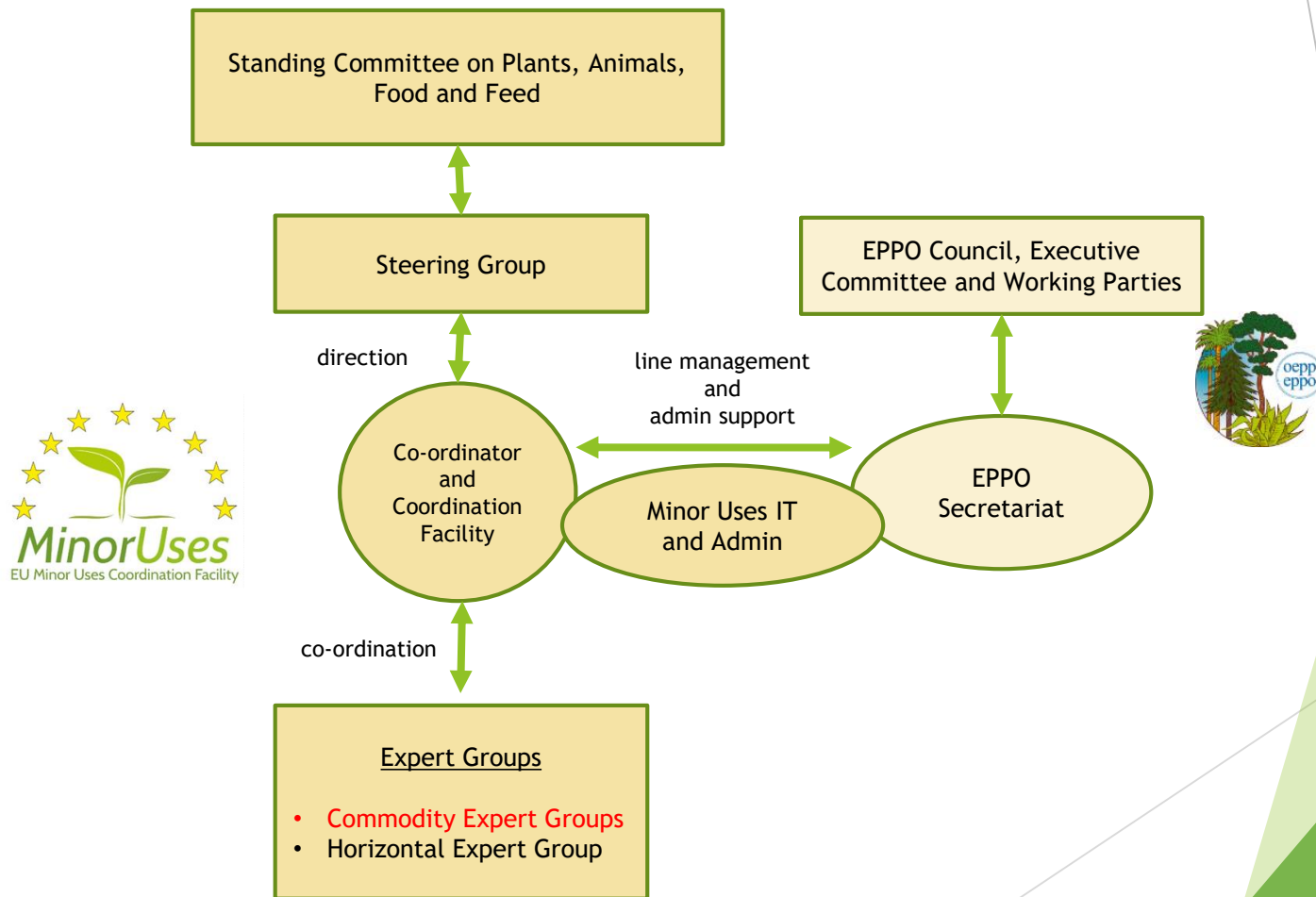


Coordination Facility

- ▶ Report on the establishment of an **independent Coordination Facility** on minor uses which is co-funded by the Commission.
- ▶ Hosted by **EPPO (in Paris)** and jointly funded by the EU and by the governments of **France, Germany and the Netherlands**. Initially for a period of 3 years.
- ▶ Coordinator started **1 September 2015**. Fully staffed 1 November 2016.
- ▶ Coordination Facility will work for **all** Member States.



Diagram of relationship



Commodity Expert Groups

Currently there are 7 Commodity Expert Groups(CEG):

- ▶ CEG fruit and vegetables
- ▶ CEG ornamentals
- ▶ CEG tobacco
- ▶ CEG rice
- ▶ CEG hops
- ▶ CEG seeds
- ▶ CEG mushrooms



- ▶ Focus in CEG is (still) very much on **chemical solutions!**

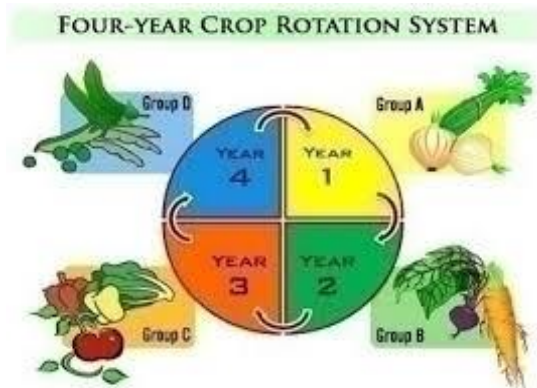
Coordination Facility - Mission

The mission of the Facility is 'to enable farmers in the EU to produce high quality crops by filling minor uses gaps through **efficient collaboration** to improve availability of **chemical** and **non-chemical** tools within an integrated pest management (IPM) framework'.



Definition of "non-chemical methods"

- ▶ Sustainable Use Directive:
'Non-chemical methods' means alternative methods to chemical pesticides for plant protection and pest management, based on **agronomic techniques**, or **physical, mechanical or biological pest control methods**.



Activities Coordination Facility



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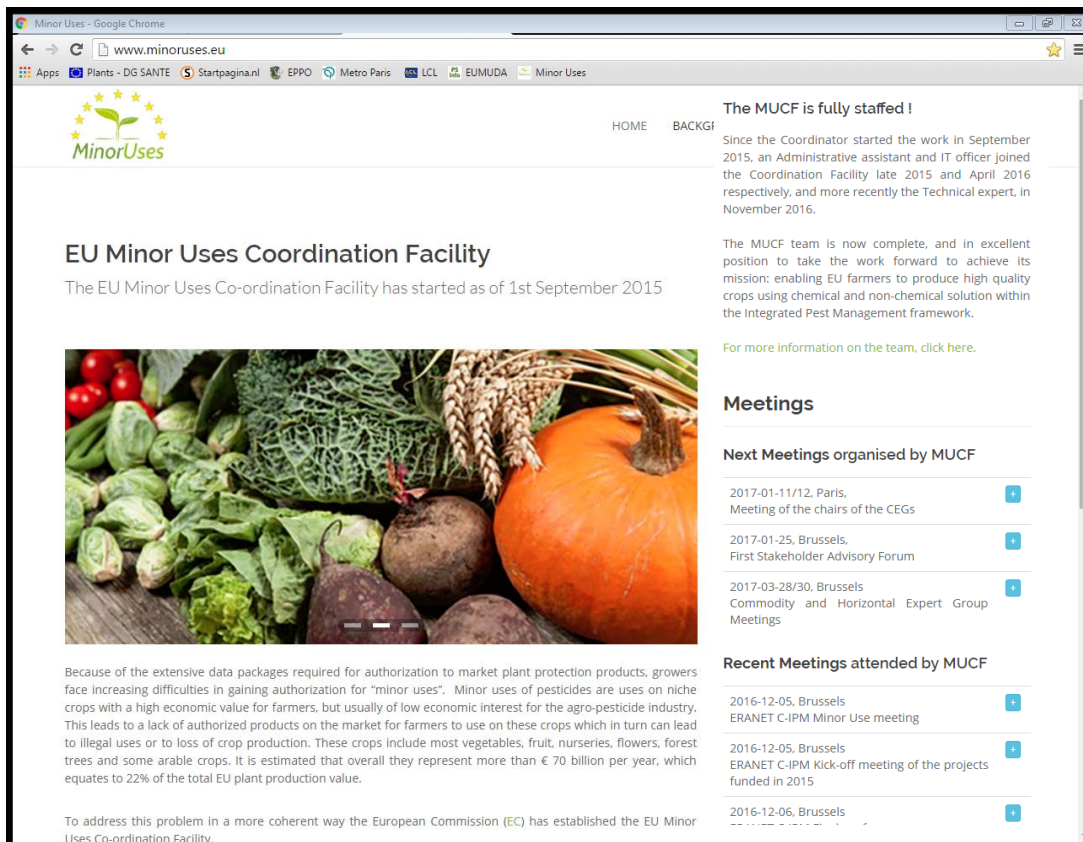
Member States and Stakeholders

(growers, industry, international organisations)



Activities Coordination Facility

- Maintain and update **website**



The screenshot shows a web browser displaying the website www.minoruses.eu. The page features the Minor Uses logo at the top left, navigation links for HOME and BACKG, and a main heading: "EU Minor Uses Coordination Facility". Below the heading, it states: "The EU Minor Uses Co-ordination Facility has started as of 1st September 2015". A large image of fresh vegetables, including tomatoes, cucumbers, leafy greens, and a pumpkin, is displayed. To the right, a section titled "The MUCF is fully staffed !" provides details about the team's formation in 2015 and 2016. Below this, a "Meetings" section lists "Next Meetings organised by MUCF" and "Recent Meetings attended by MUCF".

Minor Uses

HOME BACKG

The MUCF is fully staffed !

Since the Coordinator started the work in September 2015, an Administrative assistant and IT officer joined the Coordination Facility late 2015 and April 2016 respectively, and more recently the Technical expert, in November 2016.

The MUCF team is now complete, and in excellent position to take the work forward to achieve its mission: enabling EU farmers to produce high quality crops using chemical and non-chemical solution within the Integrated Pest Management framework.

[For more information on the team, click here.](#)

Meetings

Next Meetings organised by MUCF


- 2017-01-11/12, Paris, Meeting of the chairs of the CEGs
- 2017-01-25, Brussels, First Stakeholder Advisory Forum
- 2017-03-28/30, Brussels, Commodity and Horizontal Expert Group Meetings

Recent Meetings attended by MUCF

- 2016-12-05, Brussels, ERANET C-IPM Minor Use meeting
- 2016-12-05, Brussels, ERANET C-IPM Kick-off meeting of the projects funded in 2015
- 2016-12-06, Brussels

EU Minor Uses Coordination Facility

The EU Minor Uses Co-ordination Facility has started as of 1st September 2015



Because of the extensive data packages required for authorization to market plant protection products, growers face increasing difficulties in gaining authorization for "minor uses". Minor uses of pesticides are uses on niche crops with a high economic value for farmers, but usually of low economic interest for the agro-pesticide industry. This leads to a lack of authorized products on the market for farmers to use on these crops which in turn can lead to illegal uses or to loss of crop production. These crops include most vegetables, fruit, nurseries, flowers, forest trees and some arable crops. It is estimated that overall they represent more than € 70 billion per year, which equates to 22% of the total EU plant production value.

To address this problem in a more coherent way the European Commission (EC) has established the EU Minor Uses Co-ordination Facility.

Minor Uses Newsletters



EUROPEAN
COORDINATION FACILITY
Minor Uses
Newsletter
No. 1, January-February 2017

Minor uses, major issue!

When writing this editorial from the EPPO headquarters, in Paris. Also for many crops this is the start of a new 'minor crops' will find their way to tables across the region.



The first Newsletter of the EU Minor Uses Coordination Facility of this EU project in 2015 a lot has been initiated and year we are fully staffed. But we are not yet there, a lot still to do.

Last January an important event took place. We organised a well attended and an intensive exchange of views on topics that was discussed, was the long-term funding strategy guaranteed for three years, but not all minor use needs will be covered.

We are also busy preparing the meetings of the Expert Group in Brussels. We have made considerable progress with this and been transformed into a powerful tool to keep track of it for the end of March 2017.

Did I say 'minor crops' above? As these crops are of a 'speciality' about 'speciality crops'. Too often people associate 'minor crops' with 'speciality crops'.

You can read more about our activities in the newsletter (<https://www.minoruses.eu/>)! It is regularly updated with meetings and upcoming events.

Do you like our newsletter? Don't hesitate to give us your feedback. Enjoy reading!

Jeron Meussen, Coordinator of the MUCF



EU MINOR USES COORDINATION FACILITY

Newsletter

No. 3, July-August-September 2017

Minor uses, major issue!



When writing this editorial, it is early September. That reminds me it has been two years since I started work as coordinator of the EU Minor Uses Coordination Facility. I ask myself the questions "What has happened so far?" and "am I satisfied with the progress made to date?".

A lot has been achieved over the past two years. The EU Minor Uses Coordination Facility has been put back on the map of the international minor uses framework. Staff have been hired to form a dedicated minor uses team. We have worked on many issues: communication with the launch of a minor uses website and a newsletter, a new EUMUDA that better serves its purpose, expert meetings that are well attended with good discussions, and internationally we have strengthened our relations with existing networks on Minor Use.

I am pleased with the progress made to date. The new EUMUDA has officially been launched! We can reinforce the work on projects and find solutions for the most important minor uses needs.



At the end of June we had a meeting of the Minor Uses Steering Group. We had long and intensive discussions on issues like the sustainability of the Coordination Facility and the preparation of the Global Minor Use Summit.

Remarkably, there is one Commodity Expert Group which is already active at a global level. Find out which one in this newsletter.

I hope you enjoyed your summer and maybe you can even experience the Indian summer in Montreal if you are planning to attend the Global Minor Use Summit.

You can read more about the launch of the new EUMUDA, feedback from the Minor Uses Steering Group meeting, an OECD-seminar on niches uses of highly specific biocontrol products, and other minor uses activities in this third newsletter.

That is all for now and I hope to meet you this autumn!

Jeron Meussen, Coordinator of the MUCF

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EU MINOR USES COORDINATION FACILITY

Newsletter No. 2

July-June 2017

Minor uses, major issue!



Good and in-depth discussions were held on how the minor use work is organised in the different Member States, and on issues that can be taken forward in the Refit process.

Montreal, c'est si bon! This French-speaking city is considered the cultural capital of Canada, and is hosting the Global Minor Uses Summit in October. The preparation is well on its way. But non-Francophones are also most welcome. The main language of the conference will be English.

You can read more about the Global Minor Uses Summit, and other minor uses activities in this second newsletter. You can subscribe to the newsletter on our website www.minoruses.eu so that you will not miss one!

That is all for now. Enjoy your summer break!

Jeron Meussen, Coordinator of the MUCF

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EUMUDA

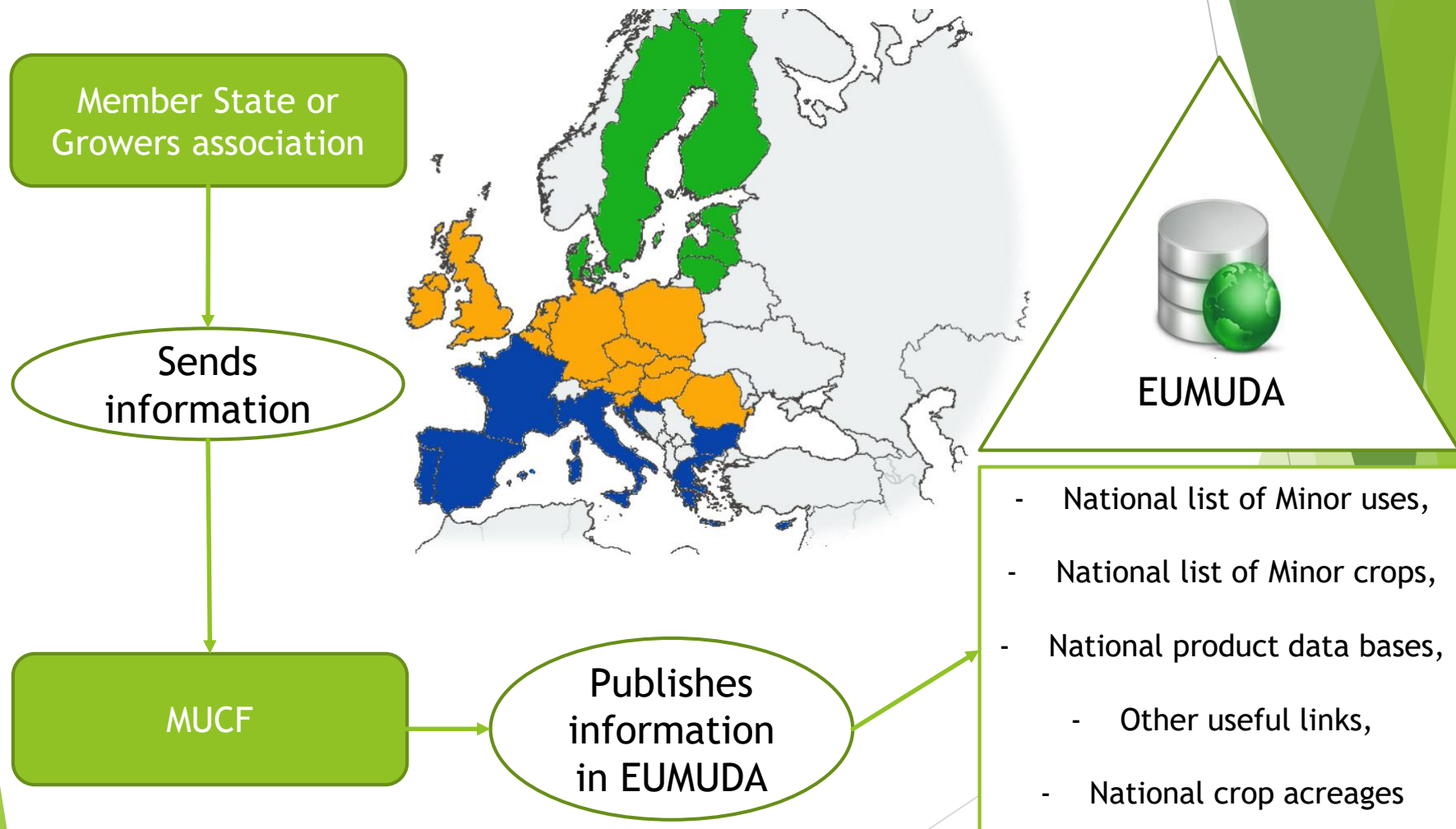
European Minor Uses Database

What information can I find in EUMUDA?

- ▶ A compiled list of **minor uses needs** from Member States.
- ▶ An overview of **ongoing projects** and their status.
- ▶ A table of **crop acreages**.
- ▶ **Reference lists** of what are considered ‘minor uses’ in different Member States.

Not all information on individual projects is accessible for everybody. The MUCF is working on rules for **access rights and confidentiality**.

EUMUDA - a reference tool for Minor Uses





EUMUDA European Minor Uses Database

EU Minor Uses EUMUDA Database - Home page

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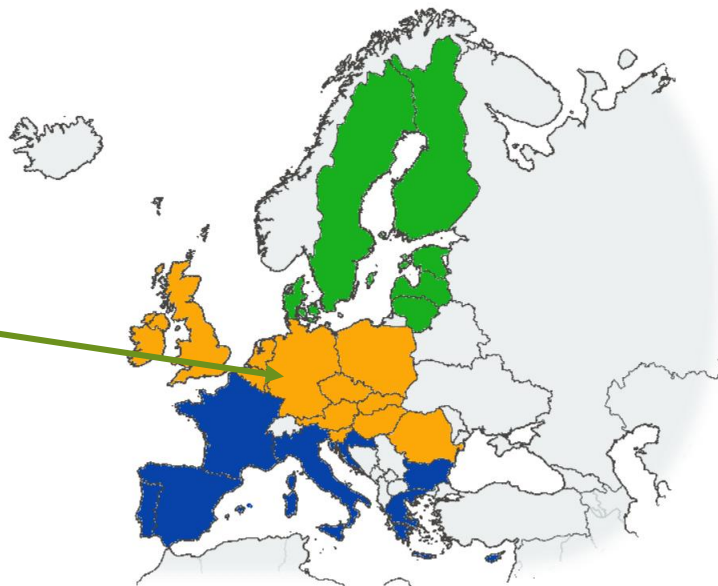
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WELCOME to the European Union Minor Uses Database EUMUDA !

EUMUDA is an important tool to collect the minor use needs from Member States, to follow-up on these needs and to manage all projects.

This database plays a key role in finding chemical and/or non-chemical solutions for minor uses gaps, within an Integrated Pest Management framework.

Click on a country



And access to useful information by country

Austria

Useful Information

List of reference of Minor / Major Uses

Minor Uses Useful links

Landwirtschaftskammer Österreich
Austrian Chamber of Agriculture

Belgium

Useful Information

List of minor crops

Minor Uses Useful links

Phytoweb - Plant Protection Products and Fertilizers

Phytoweb - Database of plant protection products - research in French

Phytoweb - Database of plant protection products - research in Dutch

Estonia

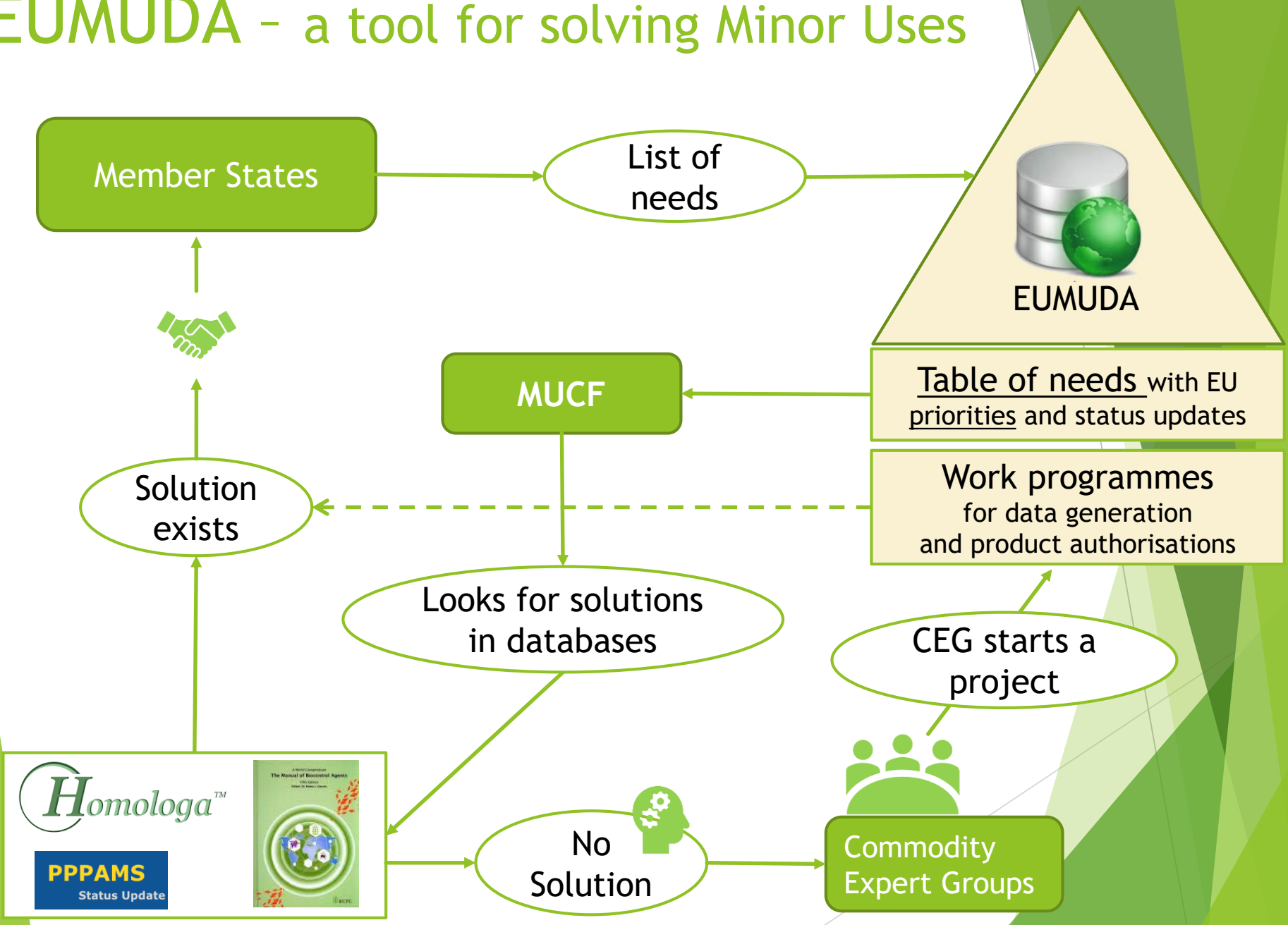
Useful Information

List of Minor Crops

Minor Uses Useful links

National PPP authorisations database

EUMUDA - a tool for solving Minor Uses



Minor Use table of needs



EUMUDA Data Base

You can easily sort and filter information.
With a « priority score » you can easily point out most frequent and urgent Minor uses needs

Minor Uses Table of Needs GMUS survey Work Programmes National Crops Acreages

Minor Uses Table of Needs

Excel Print

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Minor Use table of needs



EUMUDA Data Base

You can export your result in an excel file

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Minor Use table of needs

Update October 2017 - GMUS Survey

You can also find the analysis of the most urgent and frequent Minor Use needs in Europe, realised in October 2017 for the GMUS survey. Norway and 14 Member States have participated in this survey

Minor Uses Table of Needs **GMUS survey** Work Programmes National Crops Accreditation

Minor Uses Table of Needs - GMUS Survey

The MUCF has submitted a priority list on behalf of the EU, further to a survey that took place earlier this year in preparation of the 3rd Global Minor Use Summit that will be held in Montreal on October 1st-4th, 2017. <http://gmup.org>

This list covers the minor uses needs of the following Member States: Austria, Belgium, Cyprus, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Hungary, Lithuania, Netherlands, Portugal, Slovakia, Sweden, United Kingdom and Norway.

Based on the priority ranking as indicated by the individual Member States (priority 1, 2, 3, 4 or 5) the MUCF has added a column that provides the EU-ranking of EU priorities.

The "priority" column, has been prepared according to the following reasoning:

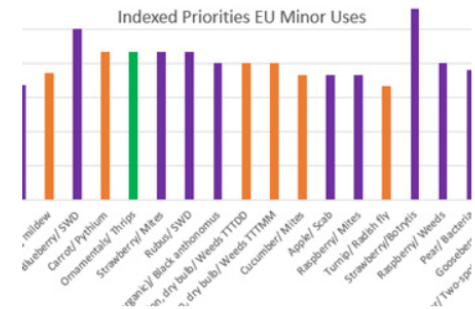
- Priority 1 represents 6 points
- Priority 2 represents 5 points
- Priority 3 represents 4 points
- Priority 4 represents 3 points
- Priority 5 represents 2 points
- And Priority x or no priority represents 1 point

In the "priority" column the highest score represents the highest priority.

In addition, the frequency column shows how frequent the needs appears in the respective countries.

This will allow you to see which needs are the most urgent and if they occur in many countries.

After GMUS, EUMUDA will contain one single table of needs comprising the GMUS list and the C-IPM needs from countries that have not provided GMUS-priorities.



[Click here to download the excel overview on the main EU minor uses indexed priorities](#)

Work programmes

The list of work programmes is publicly available

Excel Print Search:

Project id	CEG	Leading MS	Crop name and EPO code	Crop Group	Extrapolation crops	Pest name and EPO code	Area of use (FGI)	Date	Status
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149	Fruits and Vegetables	Belgium	Lamb's lettuce (VLLLO Valerianella locusta)	Leafy vegetables (excluding brassica)		POAAN Poa annua	F	2015-07-31	Project successfully completed
123	Fruits and Vegetables	Germany	Strawberry (FRAAN Fragaria x ananassa)	Small fruit		CHTSFR Chaetosiphon fragaefolii MACSFR Sitobion fragariae MYZUAS Myzus ascalonicus APHIRB Aphis ruborum	G	2016-02-01	Project successfully completed
129	Fruits and Vegetables	Germany	Lamb's lettuce (VLLLO Valerianella locusta)	Leafy vegetables (excluding brassica)		POAAN Poa annua	F	2014-01-01	Project ongoing
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Work programmes

With a login and a password,
Commodity experts can open
their projects (work programmes)



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EUMUDA Work Programmes

[Work Programmes](#) - [New Project](#)

General

[Active substance and product](#)

[Residues](#)

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[OF NEEDS](#)

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Project n. 122

Commodity Expert Group

Hops

Project Leader Member State

Germany (DE)

Member States Interested

Select one or several countries

Work Programmes information

- Project crop
- Project pest
- Extrapolation crops
- Member State Interested
- Member States Participating

EPPO CODES

1 biological entity = 1 unique code



General information

- Active Substance
- Product
- GAP Table

Active Substance and Products

PPPAMS

Plant
Protection
Products
Application
Management
System

MRLs and trials

- MRLs and
Residue Trials
- Efficacy Trials
- Phytotoxicity Trials

Contact details

- Member States
- Growers associations
- Authorization holders
- Research Institutes
- Laboratory

Next Steps for MUCF and EUMUDA

- ▶ Encourage all Member States to send their information on a regular basis
 - ▶ National Minor Uses list of needs with priorities,
 - ▶ National List of references (Minor crops, Minor Uses, useful links, etc.)
- ▶ Encourage all Member States to participate in projects, generate and share data
- ▶ Next development in Eumuda will be to develop specific work programmes for non-chemical solutions within an integrated pest management (IPM) framework

MUCF long-term funding

- ▶ Currently, the funding of the Coordination Facility has been guaranteed by France, Germany and the Netherlands for the **first three years**.
- ▶ Already several **other Member States** have indicated their willingness to **contribute to the funding** of the Coordination Facility.
- ▶ It is clear that minor uses problems will **not all be resolved** in three years,
- ▶ A **mid-/long-term planning** (5-10 years) and a **strategy** how other Member States can contribute, has been prepared.



THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION
ANY QUESTIONS ?



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