

C-IPM is an ERA-NET that is
concerned with integrated pest
management research in Europe



What is C-IPM?

Europe faces the challenge of responding to the mandatory implementation of the principles of integrated pest management (IPM). Most European countries are investing in research and extension to face this challenge, reduce reliance on pesticides, and reduce risks associated with their use. Added value and synergies can be created by coordinating such national research and extension efforts and by pooling existing resources.

C-IPM will:

- create a forum for exchange and identification of IPM research and development priorities
- provide recommendations on national and European research
- connect existing initiatives
- coordinate joint transnational research calls

C-IPM will provide an overall picture of desired R&D efforts and of the resources available for IPM implementation. It will propose a common research agenda on IPM and on sustainable solutions in the context of minor uses.

C-IPM will share outputs of on-going national and regional research by disseminating R&D methods, experience and expertise and will develop and implement joint transnational calls.

What is IPM?

IPM stands for 'Integrated Pest Management' which means careful consideration of all available plant protection methods and subsequent integration of appropriate measures that discourage the development of populations of harmful organisms and keep the use of plant protection products and other forms of intervention to levels that are economically and ecologically justified and reduce or minimise risks to human health and the environment.

Integrated pest management emphasises the growth of a healthy crop with the least possible disruption to agro-ecosystems and encourages natural pest control mechanisms.

What is ERA-NET?

ERA-NET stands for European Research Area Network. It is a scheme that promotes the cooperation and coordination of research activities carried out at the national or regional level in the EU Member States and Associated States.

ERA-NET is a system of cross-national collaboration that brings together national research funders (governments, institutions or individuals), and researchers.



Who is C-IPM?

The partners in C-IPM comprise 32 institutions in 21 European countries.

C-IPM work packages

The project consists of seven work packages (WP) with the following objectives:

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| WP1 | Develop a strategic research agenda on IPM in Europe | WP5 | Prepare, implement and follow-up joint transnational calls on IPM priority issues in order to develop consolidated mechanisms for the continuation of IPM-related future programmes |
| WP2 | Map and analyse ongoing IPM-related activities in Europe in order to propose a common IPM research agenda based on future needs | WP6 | Communicate and interact with relevant stakeholders on issues related to C-IPM and disseminate project outcomes to stakeholders as well as the public-at-large |
| WP3 | Identify and analyse minor uses problems in Europe and assess possible alternative IPM solutions | WP7 | Ensure the effective management and operation of C-IPM related activities |
| WP4 | Identify existing IPM-related infrastructures and capacities and pool them for current and future needs | | |

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