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TOWARDS EUROPEAN COLLECTIVE MANAGEMENT OF PUBLIC INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY FOR AGRICULTURAL BIOTECHNOLOGIES

The EPIPAGRI initiative is a European Commission supported project aiming to encourage public sector research organizations to collaborate in the management and promotion of their intellectual property assets in the field of agricultural science.

EPIPAGRI will help the public research community to transfer their innovations more successfully both to industry and for public-good purposes so as to contribute to the enhancement of public welfare on a global scale.



## EPIPAGRI's Objectives are:

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- To reduce fragmentation of European public IP portfolios in the agricultural biotechnology sector.
- To accelerate commercial uptake of technology from public research in agricultural science.
- To stimulate highly innovative projects involving IP and technology from collaborating public research organisations.
- To prove the benefit and feasibility for European public research organisations to adopt collaborative strategies for sharing IP management information.
- To inform agriculture related research funding policy in European public sector with respect to economic impact.

## EPIPAGRI's Activities will Include:

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- Development of an IP information exchange system designed to help technology transfer experts in collecting, extracting, and analysing public sector IP in agricultural science.
- Partnering opportunities on specific technology transfer projects bringing together complementary IP / technology items.

## EPIPAGRI Website and Database

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**EPIPAGRI is launching an open-access database containing technology / IP items contributed by its founding partners, and new participants.**

**Any public sector research organisation may register with EPIPAGRI and enter its IP / technology for display in the EPIPAGRI database.**

**Parties (whether public or private sector) seeking IP / technology are able to view the EPIPAGRI database and easily make contact with the person responsible for managing said IP / technology on behalf of the IP owner.**

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## EPIPAGRI Project Partners:

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- Institut National de la Recherche Agronomique (INRA), France
- Flanders Interuniversity Institute for Biotechnology (VIB), Belgium
- France Innovation Scientifique et Transfert SA (FIST), France
- Fundação Luis de Molina (FLM), Portugal
- INRA Transfert (IT), France
- Institut de Recerca i Tecnologia Agroalimentàries (IRTA), Spain
- Irish Agriculture and Food Development Authority (Teagasc), Ireland
- Max Planck Innovation GmbH (MI), Germany
- Plant Bioscience Limited (PBL), UK
- Szeged-Biopolisz Innovation Services Ltd (Biopolisz), Hungary
- Umeå University (UMU), Sweden