

# Innovative design and management to boost functional biodiversity of organic orchards

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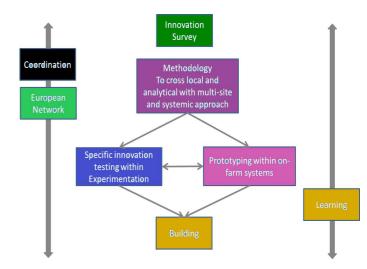


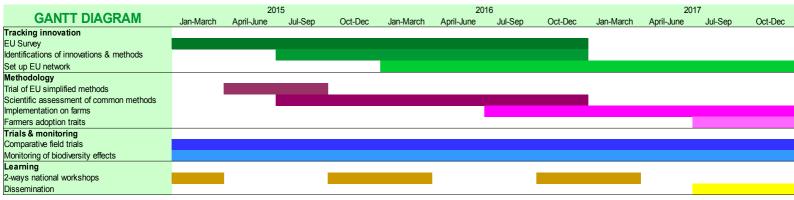


## Do fruit growers consider and adopt functional biodiversity, in order to improve their orchard independancy to pesticides?

Under a two-ways process, **ECOORCHARD**, a Core Organic European project, will

- (i) **track innovations** (together with gains identified) set up by EU growers to foster functional biodiversity (FAB)
- (ii) provide efficient **user-friendly tools** to assess the effects of biodiversity patterns on cropping system. These tools will be build up with growers, in order to ensure their reproducibility and adoptability.
- (iii) **learn from both sides** in a participative manner in a way to increase adoption of FAB by farmers





### **Deliverables**

Learning material will be gathered under an open platform called EBION, hold under JKI website. User-friendly methods will be assessed and proposed to end-users.

#### **Outputs**

Annual workshops will increase knowledge sharing and concern for biodiversity among growers

#### More information

http://coreorganicplus.org/research-projects/ecoorchard/

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