ENAF next steps

Launch event, 26 January 2023

- Contributing to agroecological transformation of farming and food systems in Europe
- Complementing 'top-down' initiatives with 'bottom-up' energy, motivation and capacities



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How you can join ENAF on its maiden voyage

Full membership options will be available once ENAF has been legally established. This is expected to be the case by November this year.

Until then, there are the following three options for joining ENAF

- \circ As **co-founder**.
- As participant.
- \circ As friend.





Options for joining	Co-founder of ENAF	Participant of ENAF	Friend of ENAF
Receive updates about ENAF's next steps and receive invitations to meetings and (public) events	V	V	V
Get the opportunity to provide feedback on statutory documents and other documents in relation to the formal establishment of ENAF.	V	V	
Participate in one or two of the below-mentioned working groups and thus have the opportunity to actively help shape the direction of the establishment of ENAF in 2023 and beyond, in terms of its governance, and in terms of concrete activities. Those who registered as co-founder will receive an invitation to the first meetings of the working groups.	V		



Working groups to take ENAF to next level

• There will be two working groups, one on ENAF's governance, focus, and networking, and one on ENAF actions.





ENAF Working Group on Governance and networking (working group 1)

- This will focus on everything that has to do with further **establishing ENAF and building relationships and the network**:
- How ENAF will be set up, governed, legal status, etc.
- Find a host or a team of hosts to take ENAF into 2024.
- Find funding to set up and maintain at least basic functions.
- Network building and Liaison; including develop and strengthen links **AE4EU** with representatives of relevant EU partnerships.



ENAF Working Group on Network Actions (working group 2)

- This will focus on deciding what **initial activities** to focus on **as ENAF**:
- Informative webinars and exchanges (notably also supported by the AE4EU project during the year 2023).
- Interactively exploring and agreeing on ideas for collaborative efforts.





What it means to join a working group

- Different people have different time schedules. Some will be more intensively involved than others.
- During the first meeting, those participating can indicate their intended level of involvement.





Tentative plans (in brief) for 2023

Month in 2023	Actions	
January	Launch of ENAF	
February	Agenda updates and communications	
	Working group 2 coordinates the organisation of a number of activities.	
March - July	Working group 1 coordinates the further formalisation and organisation of ENAF and builds relationships/network	
September	Finalise draft statutory document	
September - October	Interactively reach agreement as ENAF co-founders and participants	
November	First live ENAF meeting; handover to host(s); start of membership opportunity	



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AE4EU and ENAF

- The AE4EU project and its collaborating partners will continue to support the general coordination of all activities and working groups in 2023 in whatever way needed (within the boundaries of its capacities).
- A dedicated webpage has been set up as part of the AE4EU website

https://www.ae4eu.eu/european-network-for-agroecological-food-systems/.

News and updates will be posted there.





The link to register for joining ENAF (three options) is in the chat. It will also be included in the event report.

Do feel free to contact us for further information, and/or for sharing additional suggestions!



