



R&I for conservation and use of plant genetic resources

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Workshop on Genetic Resources

Pre-breeding materials: a grey zone between Genetic Resources and Cultivars – Introduction on regulatory aspects and protection of Intellectual Property

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EU R&I to support conservation and use of genetic resources (GenRes)

Support for GenRes has been part of a wider agenda for **diversification, resilience and ecological approaches (including organic farming)**



Multi Actor Approach

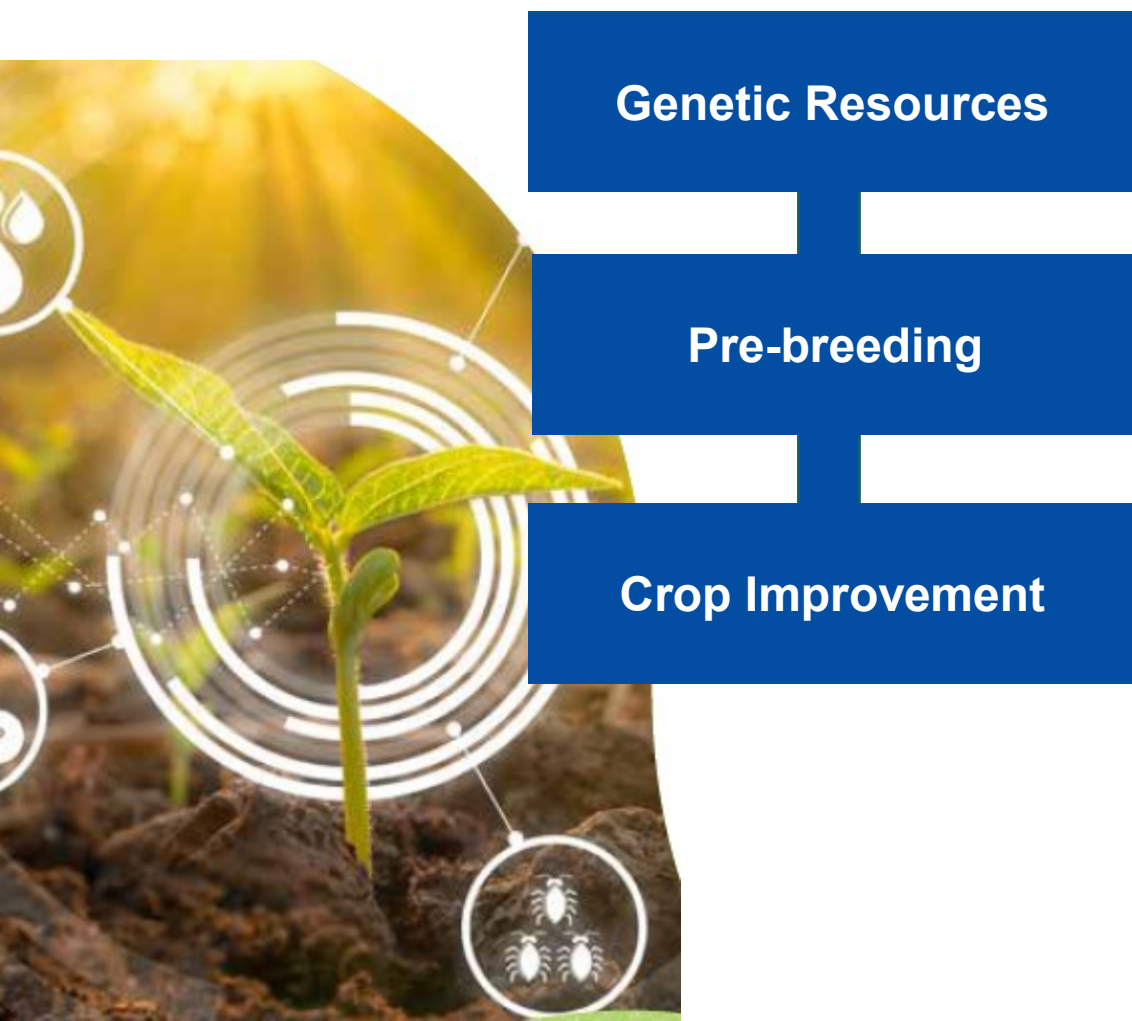
Horizon 2020 Projects on Genetic Resources and Breeding*



* List of projects not exhaustive

👉 More information: [Genetic Resources and Breeding](#)

Pre-breeding as a bridge between GenRes and crop improvement



R&I activities aim to halt the further loss of genetic diversity by tapping into the vast gene pool of plant and making it available to breeders, farmers and ultimately consumers.

Breeding efforts are also being undertaken to broaden the genetic base of cultivated crops and create varieties that meet the variety of demands related to quality, resilience and sustainability.

R&I on GenRes and pre-breeding communities

- Joining forces for GenRes and biodiversity management (CSA) 2018

GenRes Bridge



Genetic resources for a food-secure
and forested Europe

- Adding value to plant GenRes (RIA) 2019



- The GenRes-user interface and pre-breeding activities (IA) 2020





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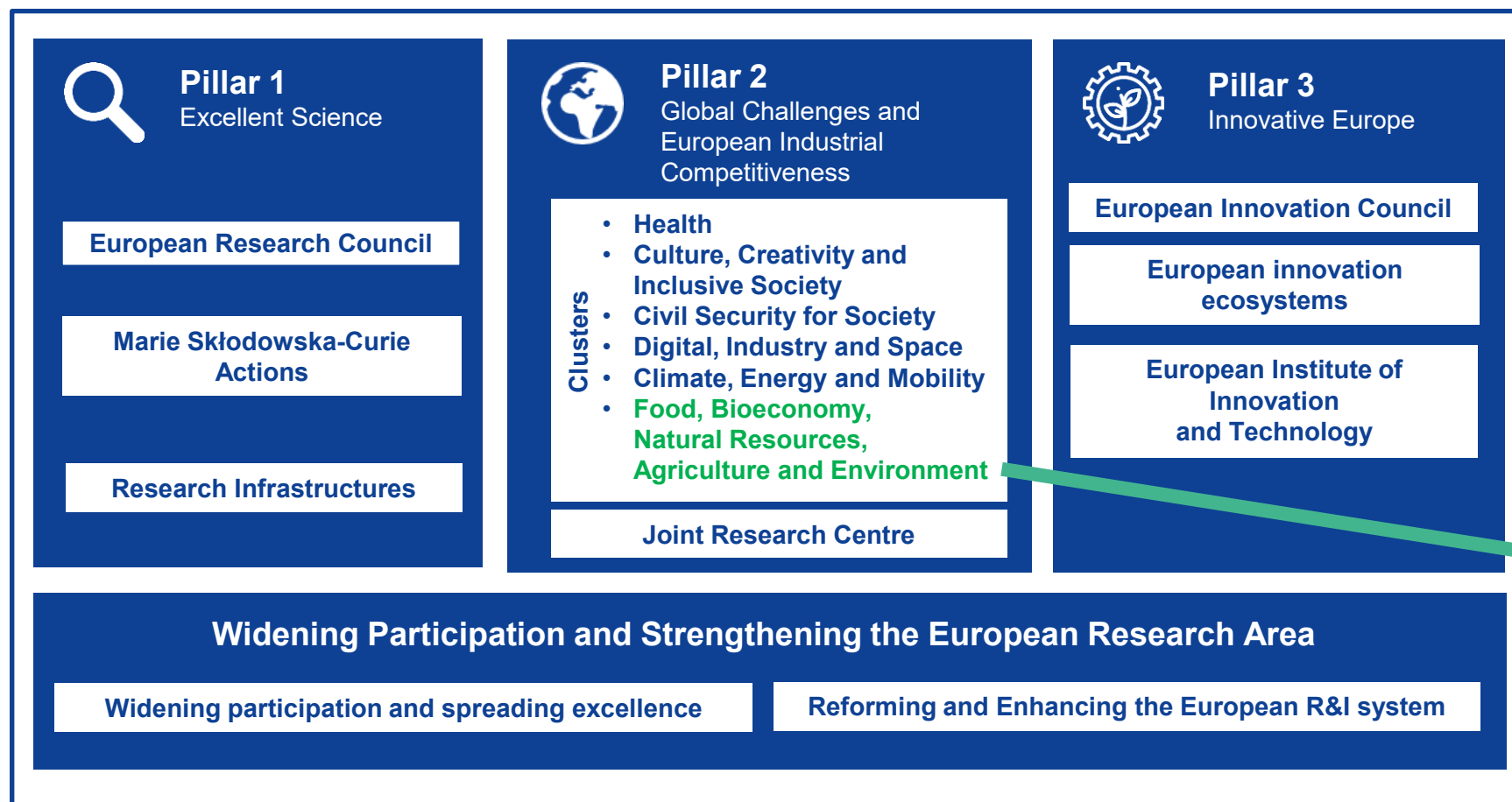
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THE EU RESEARCH & INNOVATION PROGRAMME **2021 – 2027**

Horizon Europe: structure



€9 billion
Budget Cluster 6
2021-2027

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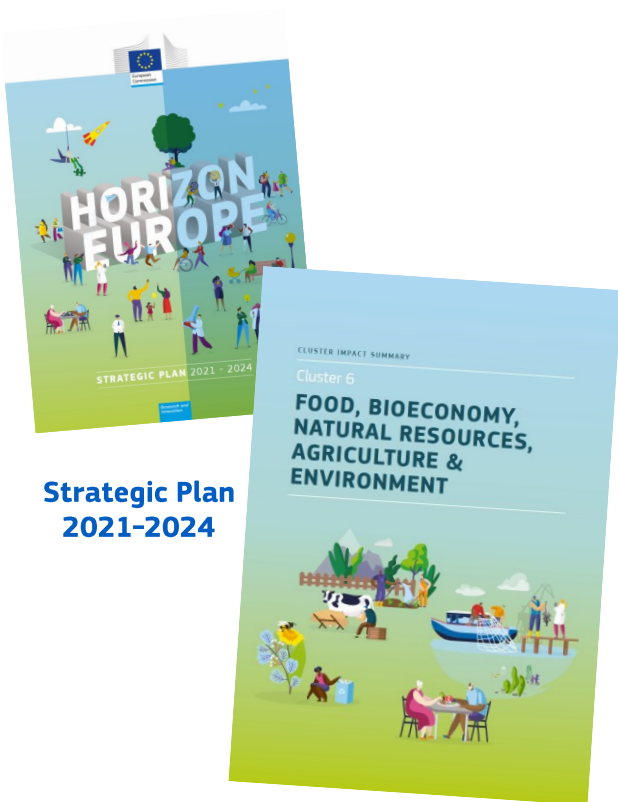
Strategic Plan
2021-2024

Strategic Plan 2021-2024:

‘Improve conservation, management and use of **plant genetic resources**, thereby preserving and enhancing agrobiodiversity.’

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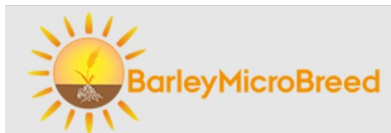
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New Projects!

- **Breeding for resilience:** focus on **root-based traits**:
BarleyMicroBreed, Bolero, Root2Res
- Fostering **organic crop breeding**
InnOBreed, LIVESEEDING
- **Intercropping** – understanding and using the benefits of complexity in farming and value chains
IntercropValuES, LEGUMINOSE
- Boosting **breeding** for a sustainable, resilient and competitive European **legume sector**



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- Biodiversity friendly practices in agriculture – **breeding for Integrated Pest Management (IPM)**
- **Crop wild relatives (CWR)** for sustainable agriculture
- Valorisation of ecosystem services provided by **legume crops**
- Promoting **pollinator friendly farming systems**
- Promoting **minor crops** in farming systems

R&I support to breeding and genetic resources



- Promote breeding and the use of genetic resources to **develop crops that meet the variety of demands related to quality, resilience and sustainability.**
- Promote the **conservation and use of plant genetic resources**, including landraces and crop wild relatives
- Increase the **resilience of plants** to biotic and abiotic stresses by bringing **more diversity into farming** and forestry systems and provide farmers and other actors in value chains with better-adapted crop varieties

2023 EU Agricultural R&I Conference

31 May – 1 June (Brussels)

More info [here](#)

Registrations will open on Tuesday 21 March 2023



Participants will be able to provide their input to update the DG AGRI long-term EU research and innovation agenda for agriculture, forestry and rural areas, and contribute to shaping the [Horizon Europe strategic plan 2025-27](#).

Thank you for your attention