

Knowledge Network on Sustainable Intensification (KNSI)

The Swiss context

National Research Lead: not defined

National Funder Representative: not defined





1. Describe any existing (formal or informal) national SI networks and national funding for them (if in place).

Research programs

National research programs (Swiss National Science Foundation)

- NRP 68 "Sustainable use of soil as a resource
 - FACCE JPI projects in Switzerland
- NRP 69 "Healthy Nutrition and Sustainable Food Production"

Institutions

- Agroscope (applied, basic research)
- ETH Zürich, ETH Lausanne, University of Fribourg, others (basic research)
- Bern University of Applied Sciences School of Agricultural, Forest and Food Sciences (applied research)

Funding institutions

- Swiss National Science Foundation (SNSF)
- Federal Office for Agriculture
- Federal Office for the Environment





2. Describe the SI community in your country and how it relates to a network.

- No formal network up to know
- Diverse activities in different research units and funding bodies





3. What are the SI research (and funding) strengths and priorities for your country?

- Not defined yet
- Present activities focus on
 - climate change mitigation and crop production adaptation
 - soil protection (NRP 68),
 - food quality and sustainable food production (NRP 69)





4. What would you like to get from the Knowledge Network?

- Exchange on research activities on sustainable intensification
- Development of common research strategies
- Avoid overlapping research





5. What would you like to see the KNSI achieve at the European level (short term and longer term)?

