Communication and Dissemination Strategy of the ERA-NET Cofund on Food Systems and Climate





ERA-NET Cofund on Food Systems and Climate

One of the most complex societal challenges is to achieve food and nutrition security and sustainable agriculture. In order to support research that will contribute to meeting this challenge, the European Research Area Network Cofund (ERA-NET Cofund) Food Systems and Climate (FOSC) has been formed. FOSC started on 1 October 2019 for a duration of five years. The FOSC Consortium consists of 28 international partners from Europe, Africa, and Latin America. With a funding budget of approximately 17 million euros (including European Commission co-fund contribution), FOSC aims to initiate and push ahead transnational collaboration on the societal and systemic transition for the development of sustainable and climate-resilient food systems. Further to the programme activities in the frame of the co-funded call, FOSC initiates and organises additional activities to foster collaborations and enhance impact of research on food systems and climate in Europe and beyond.

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1. Introduction

FOSC is the European Research Area Network (ERA-NET) Cofund action on Food Systems and Climate. The consortium consists of 28 partners from Europe, Africa and Latin America (see figure in Annex 2). FOSC is supported by Horizon 2020, Grant No. 862555, from 1 October 2019 till 30 September 2024. FOSC organizes the 'FOSC Call 2019' for which funding organisations in the FOSC consortium and three external funding partners allocated funds. The call thus addresses researchers from 11 European countries, 7 African countries, and 3 Latin American countries. FOSC organises all programme activities for this call and organises a set of additional activities.

The Communication and Dissemination Strategy is prepared at the starting phase of FOSC by WP5. The consortium received the concept for comments mid-January 2020 and the final version is submitted to the EC as FOSC — Deliverable 5.1 by end January 2020 (M4). The document outlines the *why* (communication and dissemination objectives), the *who* (target audiences), the *what* (activities), and the *how* (the channels and the products). It aims to underpin the establishment of accurate communication within the FOSC consortium, as well as the way funded projects will inform, engage, and involve multiple stakeholders that are active or interested in developing sustainable and resilient food systems within a changing climate. Furthermore, this strategy supports FOSC in anticipating the challenges of working within a large international network of knowledge producers, knowledge brokers and knowledge users.

In the next sections, the FOSC scope is recalled (section 2), followed by outreach and interaction objectives (section 3), and communication and dissemination activities (section 4). Target audiences are identified (section 5) and various media and products described (section 6) to use towards various target groups. Section 7 gives guidelines to be followed by the FOSC funded projects. The annexes show the logo, the press release on the start of FOSC in October 2019, and a form for informing about promotion of FOSC projects in the media.



2. The scope of FOSC

The foundations of FOSC were set by exploratory scoping workshops among members of the Joint Programming Initiative on agriculture, food security and climate change (FACCE-JPI), members of the Belmont Forum, and members of the ERA-NET LEAP-Agri to address one of their common research areas: food security under climate change.

The agriculture and forestry sectors and related land use change currently account for about a quarter of global greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions. If the current trends of global food, animal production and consumption are maintained, then a further increase of GHG emissions by 80% could occur by 2050. Ensuring food and nutrition security in the long-term while containing global warming within 1.5 or 2°C, will require both changes on a societal-level and a systemic transformation of food systems. This transformation will require a change in the current predominantly short term vision of food systems, as well as a change in culture, education and training and an overall change in consumption patterns and citizen's behaviour.

The three dimensions of sustainability (social, environmental, and economic) are important for the systemic transformation of food systems. FOSC addresses these dimensions through the funded research projects. Focus will be placed on the socio-economic impacts of climate change on different food chains, price volatility and the territorial dimension on access to nutritious foodstuff.

The ambition of FOSC is to successfully implement a range of joint activities that will contribute to the creation of a strong and effective global Research, Development and Innovation (R&D&I) flagship partnership on 'Food and Nutrition Security and Sustainable Agriculture' (FNSSA). Such a flagship raises the coordination and synergism of national, European and global research programmes relevant to food security under climate change. It is aspired that the partnership will increase investments in R&D&I through a coordinated regional mechanism aimed at reducing fragmentation.

Concretely, FOSC has planned to undertake:

- the preparation and implementation of a joint call for proposals for collaborative R&D&I projects between partners from different regions with a call volume of at least 12 million Euro;
- a set of complementary activities, in particular: i) the identification and test of innovative instruments for alignment and collaboration in R&D&I, ii) capacity strengthening, iii) infrastructure development, iv) the communication and dissemination of results emerging from activities.

The activities of FOSC are organized in seven Work Packages (WP) as shown in figure 1. Participation of stakeholders is an important aspect of FOSC. Stakeholders are encouraged to participate in activities within the Work Packages 4-7.

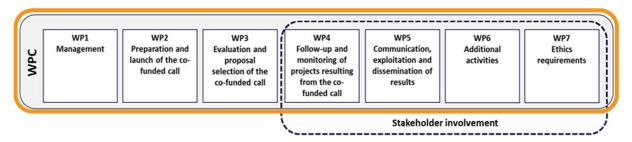


Figure 1. Organisational structure of FOSC ERA-NET Cofund adapted from the FOSC Grant Agreement Ref. Ares(2019)5634147. *WPC*: Work Package Committee, WP: Work Package.



The governance structure of FOSC includes a General Assembly in which all FOSC consortium members are represented as highest decision making body, a Work Package Committee to steer and realize the rolling out of the activities planned under the Work Packages, led by the FOSC Coordinator supported by a Management Team. With regard to the joint Call the structure involves the group of funders organised in the Call Steering Committee, which is supported by the Call Secretariat that organises all processes with regard to submission, evaluation and selection of proposals. An International Expert Panel is appointed for the proposal evaluation. After the start of the funded projects a Monitoring and Evaluation Group is put in place.



3. Outreach and interaction objectives

Dissemination of results in FOSC will not merely be done in the classical way through publications, and information sharing on the project website. Knowledge sharing and research uptake is an integral part of the FOSC network, the Consortium members, and the research projects from the inception phase onwards. This means that projects share plans and results to the extent possible with stakeholders and beneficiaries/end-users. Furthermore, the communication and dissemination efforts of FOSC intend to bolster the establishment of capacity building activities and workshops for strengthening infrastructure in local contexts and within a global perspective.

Achieving impact by sharing knowledge will be enhanced by applying a programmatic structure, and requesting innovative methodologies to be applied, to allow comparison of results from different (geographic) areas. Research uptake will be enhanced at the individual project-level, as project teams with their immediate stakeholders will be asked to develop an impact pathway, with a strategy for involving the relevant stakeholders and target groups, like farmers organizations, entrepreneurs, consumers/target groups and/or policy makers.

All FOSC partners have the responsibility to give visibility to FOSC and to ensure that relevant information is received by target groups. FOSC partners will act as liaison between the FOSC initiative and national funders and research institutes. FOSC partners will inform FOSC Communications about their communication and dissemination activities to realise a complete overview. A range of communication and dissemination tools and activities are needed to tailor information sharing, interactions within the FOSC bodies, dissemination of the research projects, and outreach to a wider stakeholder community. It requires active involvement from the FOSC consortium and the funded projects. Therefore, WP5 provides communication materials to the partners. These materials include, but are not limited to, flyers, newsletters, PowerPoints and videos.

Concretely, the FOSC Communication and Dissemination strategy has the following objectives:

- visibility of FOSC and FOSC funded projects within the research community, funding organizations, commercial stakeholders, policy makers and local stakeholders;
- timely and effective communication and dissemination to partners and external stakeholders;
- identification of potential synergies and, whenever possible, future collaborations with other networks and programmes;
- vibrant networking between projects funded by the joint call;
- effective value creation by FOSC activities;
- fostering involvement of stakeholders, knowledge sharing and research uptake beyond the FOSC programme.



4. Communication and dissemination activities

This section describes the communication, exploitation and dissemination of results and activities of FOSC as consortium and of its projects. This process is planned, supported and monitored by FOSC WP5.

The creation of a common identity at an ERA-NET level is important for communicating cohesion externally and for providing a sense of unity internally. It can be achieved through the adoption of visual elements such as a FOSC logo, the EU emblem and disclaimer, and a style and a colour set and other graphic elements for the design of virtual dissemination methods such as webinars and movies, and for presentations, flyers, posters, reports and other dissemination materials. A basic colour set and the FOSC logo set (see Annex 1) have been developed and adopted at the start of FOSC.

Throughout the lifetime of FOSC, the funded research projects will be supported with a set of tools to enable broad and timely dissemination of their results targeting a wide range of stakeholders in the area of resilient food systems, food and nutrition security and climate change. Each individual research project will be expected to contribute and to cooperate for the achievement of the goals described in this strategy by dedicating appropriate resources for communication and dissemination activities including participation in (online) events organised by FOSC.

FOSC will identify relevant partners/organisations in the private and public food systems sector and other potential users of research on climate change and food systems (Task 6.1, WP6). The results will be used to target the main recipients for dissemination, knowledge exchange and valorisation activities, and to prepare strategies and plans for interacting with these identified groups. Possibilities for synergy with related activities in FACCE-JPI, Belmont Forum, and LEAP-Agri will also be taken into account.

Box 1. List of communication and dissemination activities of FOSC

- Development and maintenance of a website that presents the FOSC ERA-NET Cofund, FOSC news, and information about FOSC activities (T5.2).
- Develop visual identity tools such as logo, style guide, slides, templates for documents (T5.2)
- FOSC flyer (T5.2).
- Posters and banners for use at workshops and conferences (T5.2).
- Annual newsletter about FOSC network, activities and results (T5.2).
- Social media supporting a wider and faster outreach complementary to the website: Linked-In and Twitter account (T5.2).
- Fact sheets of funded projects (T5.3).
- Content about projects for webpages within FOSC website (T5.3).
- Dissemination of FOSC news through the FOSC partners and related networks (WP5/FOSC partners).
- Presentations at conferences and in national events (WP5 / FOSC partners).
- Design and lay-out of FOSC documents, presentations and other materials (T5.2).
- Editing and proof-reading of (some) FOSC documents (T5.2).



- Stakeholder mapping to underpin targeted and customized interactions with external organisations and programmes (T6.1).
- Providing guidance and feedback to the funded research projects with regard to individual project communication plans and activities (sections in call documents & activities of WP5 during runtime).
- Grant holders kick-off meeting at the start of the research projects of the co-funded call (T5.4).
- Mid-term meeting for FOSC research projects to present progress (T5.5).
- Final grant-holders meeting near the end of the co-funded projects. (T5.6).
- Knowledge Platform to cluster and valorize existing research results (T6.3 / T6.4)
- Training session within the kick-off grant holders meeting on topics such as effective communication, identification relevant audiences and stakeholders, value creation and responsible research and innovation (T5.4).
- Trainings for researchers back-to-back with mid-term meeting and at other times (T6.5).
- Use of webinars, streaming, or meetings at multiple locations to increase options to attend while reducing negative climate impact of travel (WP1 / WP5 / WP6 / FOSC partners).



5. Target groups

Figure 2 shows an initial categorisation of the most relevant target groups for communication and dissemination activities, according to a preliminary qualitative estimation by which they are expected to affect and/or to be affected by FOSC research. Figure 3 shows the level of communication engagement to be conducted with these target groups by considering their potential interest and influence in FOSC research. Since the end users can be different between the different FOSC research projects, each funded research project will be asked to identify their relevant target groups.

- A. **Funders:** This group consists of representatives of funding organisations (at national level). This is a critical target group for communication activities because the national and regional funders can ensure widespread circulation of information to national research communities and other important stakeholders.
- B. Researchers and research institutes: The main audience for the co-funded call(s) of FOSC consists of researchers and research institutes which are active and interested in the development of sustainable and resilient food systems. Communication activities towards this target group will take place before, during, and after the joint call(s), throughout the lifetime of FOSC for sharing research results on time, and for disseminating them at various levels (e.g. technical level, policy level, local community level etc.).
- C. **Private sector:** This is a key target group with a potential interest both in obtaining technical knowledge as well as policy relevant knowledge that is produced from FOSC research. This group includes food companies, the agri-food industry, and innovation hubs and technology platforms that are active in the agricultural sector and/or in large scale food production.
- D. **International organisations:** International organisations have access to large networks and outreach in fora that can enable dialogue for the identification of areas of agreement and for the promotion of collaboration for future actions on sustainability (e.g. addressing the sustainable development goals).
- E. Cooperatives and SMEs: Cooperatives (e.g. retail organisations, farmer cooperatives etc.) and local small and medium enterprises (SMEs) are also an important target group with a potentially strong interest both in policy as well as in technical/practical knowledge produced from FOSC research (e.g. capacity building activities).
- F. Non-governmental organisations (NGOs): NGOs are active in multiple sectors such as public policy, human rights, educational and environmental aspects, and they could facilitate the transfer of practical applications of FOSC research output to a community level and within local contexts.
- G. **National and international authorities:** This is a diverse target group that includes the European Commission, policy makers, ministers and national governments. All FOSC partners will be asked to help identifying this target group in their respective countries. The European Commission Project Officer may be able to spread the word and help to raise the FOSC profile further. The dissemination of research findings into compelling narratives and guidelines as well as the provision of fora for interaction with the funded projects is important to reach this target group.
- H. **Initiatives and knowledge networks:** These groups can facilitate the distribution of information to many relevant European and international research institutes and organisations through their



- efforts in pooling national resources to make better use of Europe's research and development resources and to tackle common European challenges more effectively.
- I. General public: Consumers and the general public is a key audience of FOSC research outcomes since a systemic transformation of the global food system will, most likely, not happen without a societal one. This audience can be reached via popular press, social media, and valorisation or capacity building activities.

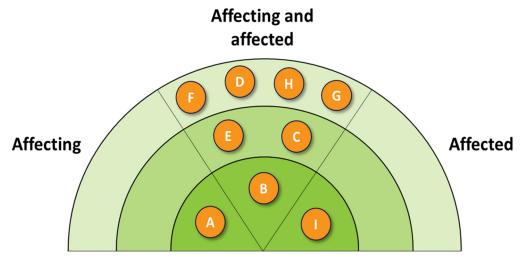


Figure 2. Rainbow diagram illustrating (qualitatively) the degree by which the identified stakeholder groups could potentially affect or be affected by FOSC research. The intensity of green background shows the intensity: transparent green: low intensity, light green: moderate intensity, dark green: strong intensity. *A: Funders, B: Researchers and Research Institutes, C: Private sector, D: International organisations, E: Cooperatives and SMEs, F: Non-governmental organisations (NGOs), G: National and international authorities, H: Initiatives and knowledge networks, I: General public.*

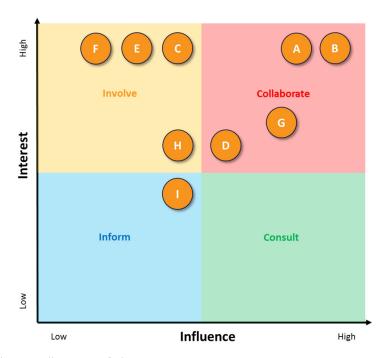


Figure 3. Initial qualitative allocation of the target groups into communication engagement level categories according to their potential interest and influence in FOSC research. *A: Funders, B: Researchers and Research Institutes, C: Private sector, D: International organisations, E: Cooperatives and SMEs, F: Non-governmental organisations (NGOs), G: National and international authorities, H: Initiatives and knowledge networks, I: General public.*



6. Communication and dissemination channels

Website

The main communication channel of FOSC is its website www.foscera.net which is live since the 15th of October 2019 (month 1 of FOSC). All available public information and the latest updates on FOSC events and the funded projects are published at the website in news items or in topical subpages. The FOSC funded projects will have their own subpages with information on the project, contact details of partners involved and links to external websites and documents.

Newsletter

FOSC related content such as news about joint calls, research projects, scientific results, and events (e.g. workshops, conferences, and meetings) will be compiled and distributed through an annual newsletter. Subscription to the newsletter is possible via the website of FOSC. The newsletter targets internal and external groups: the consortium, the funded projects, and everybody who subscribes to the newsletter. Organisations identified by the stakeholder mapping will be actively invited to subscribe.

National funding agencies network

Local target groups (e.g. researchers in a specific country) will be reached through the communication channels of national funding agencies. The national funding agencies will be provided with news items and other communication materials to create a common identity and to disseminate relevant information to their network in a consistent and effective manner. Annex 2 shows a one-page information leaflet prepared by WP5 for the start of FOSC in October 2019. Another was prepared for the publication of the call in December 2019, and more will be prepared as relevant

Existing communication network

FOSC partners have well established networks and multiple outlets that can be used to disseminate FOSC news and research such as their websites which can serve as hubs of communication, their newsletter, their social media outreach (e.g. LinkedIn and Twitter accounts), as well as their extensive stakeholder database and various events targeting specific stakeholder groups.

Social media

The diffusion of FOSC content and information will be made also via social media accounts (LinkedIn and Twitter). Researchers and projects partners will be encouraged to be active in social media to share information and results in these direct channels. The development of a wide network of diverse senders and receivers will allow for a direct contact with a variety of partners and stakeholders. A short video that introduces the FOSC ERA-NET has already been published on YouTube.



7. Guidelines for the FOSC research projects

The funded research consortia have to make a communication and dissemination plan for their project. All research projects funded through FOSC must promote their project and its results, by providing targeted information to multiple audiences (including the general public) in a strategic and effective manner. The FOSC programme encourages the projects to include besides scientific papers and posters, also other means such as stakeholder involvement workshops, courses or training material and also as direct interventions and capacity building activities towards the end users (e.g. farmers, cooperatives, companies, consumers, governments etc.).

Requirements with regard to the project's 'Plans for Communication, Dissemination and Exploitation of Results' are given in the Call Document and if applicable by national and regional funders. The information provided here is intended to assist the individual funded projects of FOSC with some key information. Further reading is provided in documents from the EC and from FACCE-JPI ¹.

Reporting appearance in media

When engaging in any communication activity that is expected to have a major impact in the media, e.g. on television, radio, internet, newspapers or magazines, the project leader should inform FOSC (through info.fosc@wur.nl) and the national funders that provide grants to the project (for contacts see the list in the Call Document). The form in Annex 3 can be used for this purpose.

Acknowledgement of funding

Unless national / regional funders or the Research Executive Agency of the European Commission request or agree otherwise or unless it is impossible, any communication activity related to FOSC activities including activities related to the research projects funded in the frame of the ERA-NET Cofund FOSC must:

- a) include sentence(s) acknowledging the grant received from the national funder(s) as stipulated in their relevant regulations and with their guidance,
- b) display the EU emblem, and
- c) include the following text:

"This project is part of the programme of the ERA-NET Cofund FOSC that has received funding from the European Union's Horizon 2020 research and innovation programme under grant agreement No 862555".

Any communication activity related to the action must indicate that it reflects only the author's view and that the national funder and the Research Executive Agency of the European Commission are not responsible for any use that may be made of the information it contains.

¹ FOSC beneficiaries are encouraged to read the documents: "EU Grants: H2020 Programme – Social media guide for EU funded R&I projects" from the European Commission, the "Communication and Valorisation Strategy (2017)" of the Joint Programming Initiative on Agriculture, Food Security and Climate Change (FACCE-JPI) and "Good Practice Guide for Increasing Stakeholder Engagement in FACCE-JPI Joint Research Actions (2018)" of the Joint Programming Initiative on Agriculture, Food Security and Climate Change (FACCE-JPI).



Exploitation of FOSC projects results

Each beneficiary within the FOSC funded research projects is requested to – up to two years after the end of the project, or longer if this is requested by the national or regional funder - take measures aiming to ensure exploitation of its results either directly or indirectly, in particular through transfer or licensing by:

- a) using them in further research activities (outside the project)
- b) developing, creating or marketing a product or process
- c) creating and providing a service or
- d) using them in standardisation activities

Dissemination of FOSC projects results

Unless it goes against their legitimate interests, each beneficiary in FOSC funded research projects must – as soon as possible – disseminate its results by disclosing them to the public by appropriate means (other than those resulting from protecting or exploiting the results), including scientific publications in any medium. A beneficiary that intends to disseminate its results must give advance notice to the other beneficiaries of – unless agreed otherwise – at least 45 days, together with sufficient information on the results it will disseminate.

If a beneficiary intends not to protect its results, it may – under certain conditions – need to formally notify the national and/or regional funders and the Research Executive Agency of the European Commission before dissemination takes place. If results are incorporated in a standard, the beneficiary concerned must – unless the national/regional funders and the Research Executive Agency (under the powers delegated by the European Commission) requests or agrees otherwise or unless it is impossible – ask the standardisation body to include the following statement in (information related to) the standard: "Results incorporated in this standard received funding from the European Union's Horizon 2020 research and innovation programme under grant agreement No 862555".

Open Access

Each beneficiary in FOSC funded projects must ensure open access (free of charge online access for any user) to all peer-reviewed scientific publications relating to its results as demanded by the national and regional funders and as described in the call document. In particular, the beneficiary must:

- as soon as possible and at the latest on publication, deposit a machine-readable electronic copy of the published version or final peer-reviewed manuscript accepted for publication in a repository for scientific publications;
- ensure open access to the deposited publication via the repository at the latest: i) on publication, if an electronic version is available for free via the publisher, or ii) within six months of publication (twelve months for publications in the social sciences and humanities) in any other case;
- ensure open access via the repository to the bibliographic metadata that identify the deposited publication [the bibliographic metadata must be in a standard format and must include all of the following: the terms "European Union (EU)" and "Horizon 2020", the name of the action, acronym and grant number, the publication data, and length of embargo period if applicable, a persistent identifier].



Identifying and mapping relevant stakeholders

In order to maximise the impact of FOSC research, all funded research projects must aim towards the strategic identification of key stakeholders as early as possible. The following steps can serve as a guide for the individual research projects to map relevant stakeholders.

- As a first step, each funded research project is encouraged to construct a list with tentative stakeholders that could find their specific research topic interesting. This can be done by identifying as many as possible organisations, universities, research institutes etc. within their network, within the existing connections of the national funders but also in the network of other FOSC partners in other countries. The list can then be extended by including a wider target audience outside the FOSC Consortium at a regional or national level as well as at a global level.
- Subsequently, all listed stakeholders can be allocated to different target groups (e.g. as described in this strategy to maintain consistency). A rainbow diagram (e.g. Figure 2) can help in identifying which target groups could affect and/or be affected by the specific topic of the funded research project. Then, each target group can be ranked qualitatively (e.g. from 1 to 5) in two dimensions: according to their interest and according to their influence in the specific research topic. This ranking can help in constructing an interest-influence matrix (e.g. Figure 3) to identify the most effective way to communicate with each target group (i.e. to inform, engage, consult or involve).
- The list of stakeholders and their categorisations in target groups, rainbow diagrams, and interest-influence matrixes can be included in the projects communication and dissemination plan and progress reported in the mid- and end term reporting forms.

Through such efforts the diffusion of FOSC research outputs will be easier to share and to implement in practice. Furthermore, new communities or networks can be developed depending on the aim and focus of each research project. Such communities could specialise, for example, on the development of resilient food systems, on food value chain risk analysis, on the implementation of innovative climate change mitigation or adaptation technologies, on food waste minimisation aspects, on capacity building activities and so on.

Organizing events, conferences and workshops

Events, conferences and workshops are valuable opportunities to increase FOSC research project visibility, to engage in meaningful alliances, partnerships, and conversations both virtually or physically during an event as well as digitally on social media. On the programme level, FOSC organises a kick-off meeting, a mid-term seminar and a final meeting for the grant holders. Also, FOSC will organise virtual or physical cluster meetings. Project consortia must take this into account in their planning. In addition, individual projects can organise virtual or physical events on project level if relevant and budget time and other resources for that in their project planning.

Organizers of project-level outreach events or training activities, must inform timely the national/regional funder as well as FOSC (info.fosc@wur.nl). Information to include: purpose of the event, the venue, the list of invited speakers, the list of stakeholders to be informed, and a preliminary agenda.

FOSC Communications can provide FOSC programme level materials and advice on FOSC official visual identity, consent forms in frame of GDPR and up-to-date FOSC PowerPoint slides. FOSC Communications can help to disseminate about events from projects through the website www.foscera.net and social media, and via email to FOSC partners and external stakeholders.



Annex 1. FOSC logo and style elements

The logo encloses the two main topics to be addressed by FOSC research: food systems and climate change. It is based on the abstraction of the Chinese concept of dualism (yin yang) where the wheat plant (i.e. food systems) adapts and grows in drought conditions (i.e. climate change). The logo must always be reproduced from a master reference. FOSC WP5 can provide high resolutions versions and logos in various digital formats.

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Annex 2. News leaflet about the start of FOSC

PRESS RELEASE

15th of October 2019



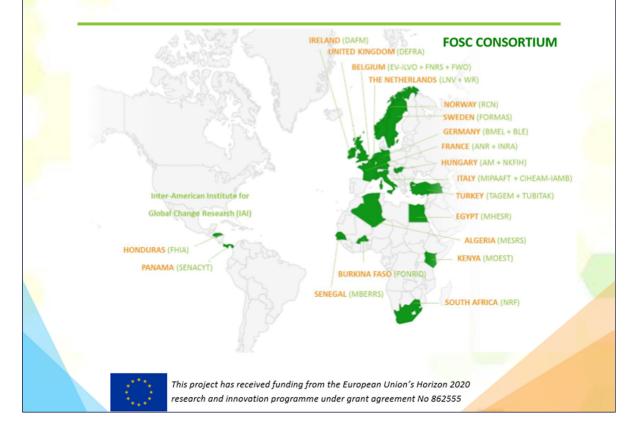
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