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Agricultural Knowledge and Innovation Systems (AKIS)

Country/Territory: Kosovo*

Proposed actions in focus for 2023/24

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Introduction

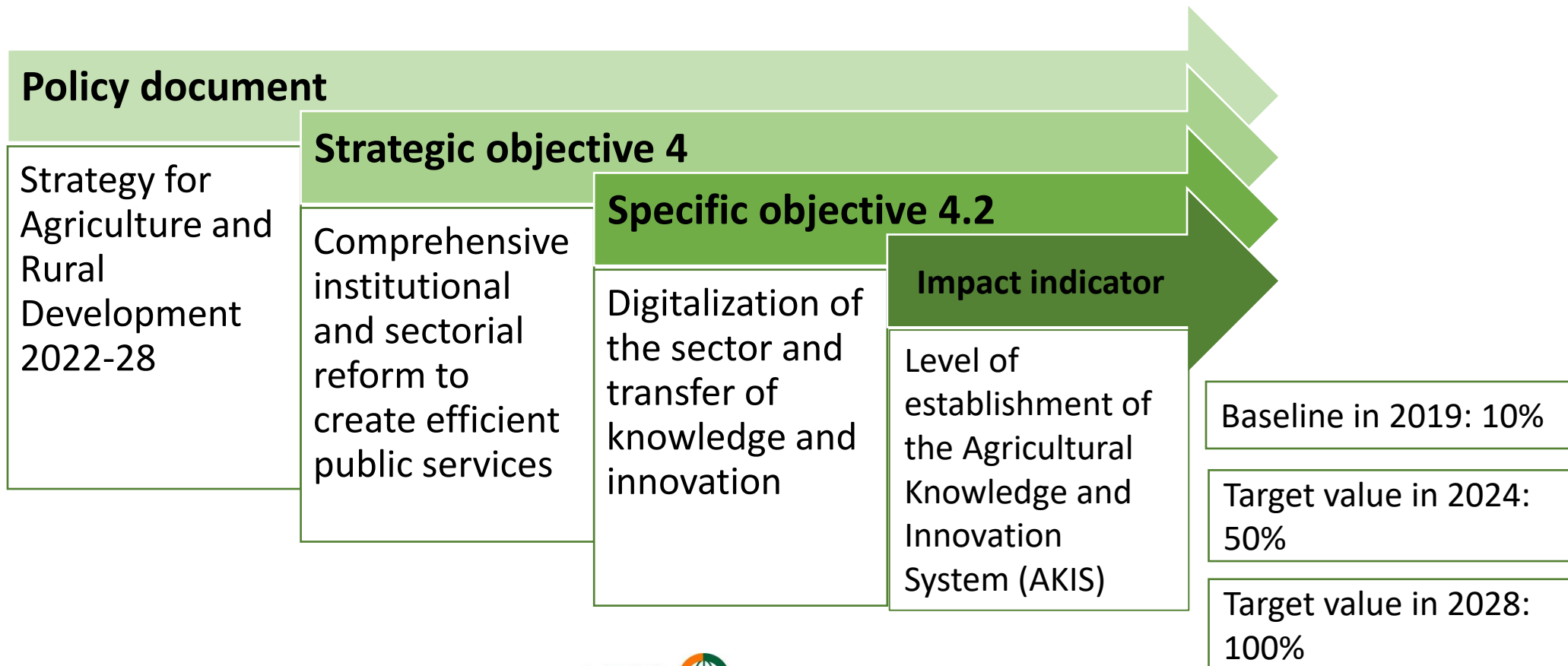


- **AKIS Map**-Numerous actors are in place, co-creation, co-innovation in agriculture and exchange and flow of knowledge remains rather weak; **Missing actors:** AKIS Coordination Body, Training center for advisors, business incubators, innovation center.
- AKIS SWOT Analysis
- AKIS Road map
- AKIS Action Plan 2023-2027

National AKIS Action Plan for Kosovo* 2023-2027

Objective	Required actions
Objective 1: Establish new institutions within the AKIS structure	1.1: Establish and accredit training center for advisors 1.2: Establish agricultural business incubator 1.3: Establish center for advanced innovation in agriculture
Objective 2: AKIS human capacity building	2.1: Improve human capacities of public and private advisory services 2.2: Improve human capacities in education and research 2.3: Improve human capacities of public institutions
Objective 3: Create functional connections which supports the AKIS actors	3.1: Establish responsible body at the national level for coordinating, promoting and enforcing linkages among AKIS actors 3.2: Establish AKIS units for each subsystem 3.3: Establish functional lead-farmers network

AKIS in the main policy document



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Action Plan of Agriculture and Rural Development Strategy 2022-28



Planned actions towards digitalization of the sector and transfer of knowledge and innovation:

1. MAFRD digitalization, and open data policy
2. Improving the IT system for Policy Management
3. Organic Agriculture Awareness Campaign, KKBBP, on the Code of Good Agricultural Practice for the Prevention and Reduction of Nitrate Pollution Caused by Agriculture and for Illegal Waste Disposal
4. Transfer of knowledge of MAFRD, and farmers'/ farmers' organizations for marketing using short supply chains
5. Knowledge transfer on Global GAP (for farmers) and HACCP (for KVFA)
6. Transfer of knowledge of MAFRD and farmers to promote agro-tourism / rural tourism
7. Transfer of knowledge from other EU countries for the implementation of local initiatives / GLV
8. Establishment of national rural network
9. Research on bio-economy and bio-based circular economy (agriculture and forest-based biomass, biofuels)



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Selected priorities



Objective: Create functional connections which supports the AKIS actors

Required Action 1: Establish responsible body at the national level for coordinating, promoting and enforcing linkages among AKIS actors

Required Action 2: Establish AKIS units for each subsystem based on a functional AKIS unit (e.g. vineyard sector to other potential AKIS subunits)

Required Action 3: Establish functional lead-farmers network

To be emphasized (restructuring of MAFRD, plan for advisory services is in the process of approval, political and financial support, Inclusion of some AKIS actions within the FAO CPF)

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Actions in focus for 2023/24



1. Draft proposal on the establishment and functioning of the AKIS coordination body in Kosovo* including structure, scope and methods of work, sources of financing
2. Draft proposal on the establishment and functioning of the potential AKIS subunit (e.g. orchards or NWFP and MAPs)
3. Draft proposal on the establishment and functioning of the lead farmers network including a measure for support
4. Drafting of the Rulebook on support for the exchange of knowledge and innovation, including measure for support of an integrated and functional AKIS system in Kosovo*

Thank you!

