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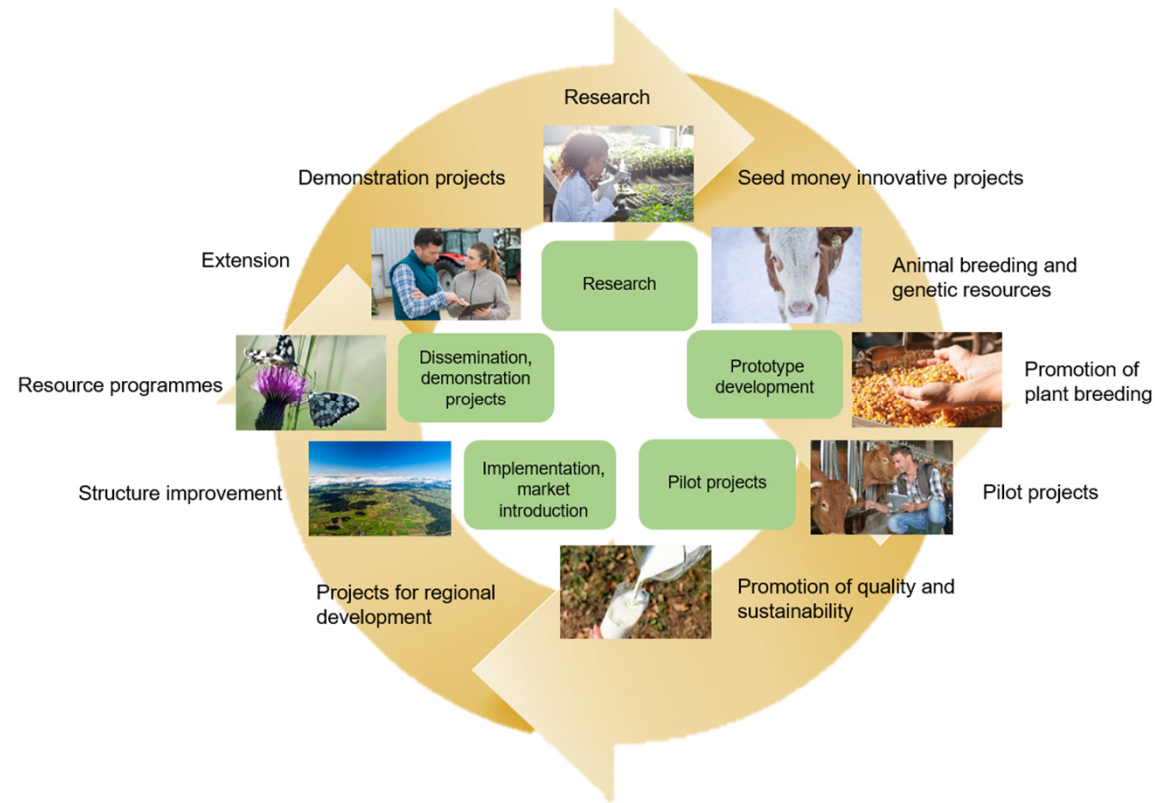
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# Innovation funding instruments FOAG





## Role of FOAG in research

- Overall framework agri-food research (master plan)
- Networking/collaboration
- legal basis (Federal Act of Agriculture, Ordinance on Research)
  
- Agroscope: directly affiliated to FOAG
- Funding (and monitoring) research organisations, namely FiBL
- Funding of mandates
- Funding of projects

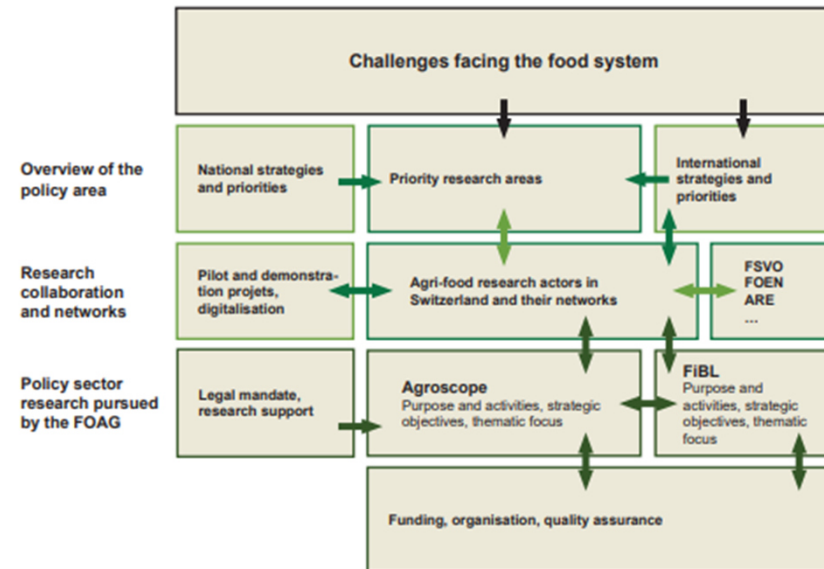


# Research Master Plan 2025-2028 for the Agri-Food Sector



**Summary**  
Research Master Plan for  
the Agri-food Sector  
2025–2028

Structure of the Research Master Plan for the Agri-food Sector





# Funding of national projects

## Main objectives

- Provision of a basis for decision-making in agricultural policy
- Stimulating competition in agricultural knowledge and innovation system
- Promotion of long-term research cooperation and networking

## Funding is provided for

- Bottom-up ideas with relatively broad thematic coverage
- Public and private research institutions
- Applied research

## Conditions

- Maximum funding of 75% of the total project budget
- Joint projects are an advantage; for organic farming it is a requirement
- 1-2 calls per year



# Funding of international projects

## Main objective

- Promotion of long-term research cooperation and networking

## Funding is provided for

- Three cofunded partnerships (HorizonEurope)  
Acroecology, FutureFoodS, Agriculture of Data (in preparation)
- Swiss public and private research institutions (Swiss part is financed)

## Conditions

- Selected calls for these three cofounded partnerships
- Rules of the cofounded partnerships and national conditions (e.g. maximum funding of 75% of the total project budget)