

KNOWLEDGE EXCHANGE HUB

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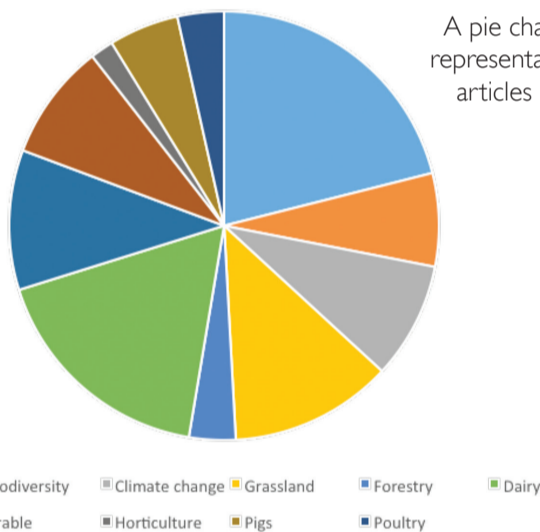
Brief description of Delivery Mechanism

Provision of a specialist scientific knowledge resource through dissemination of knowledge from academic research through Farming Connect. The KE Hub is designed to improve knowledge of the Technical and Development officers – as well as consultants within Wales, so they are better equipped to provide on-farm advice.

- Led by campaigns and events within Farming Connect, which align with Welsh Government Strategic Objectives
- Motivated by research within IBERS and other UK research institutes – being based within IBERS creates a bridge and drives collaboration.
- Advice/Reviewing of Focus, Demonstration and Innovation Site project proposals

Highlighted input to-date:

- 30 Concept notes (ideas and suggestions) for technical articles or on-farm projects
- Development of an Innovation site project
- Review of over 20 on-farm projects
- Liaison in Farming Connect team meetings
- Attendance at EAAP – Europe's biggest Animal Science conference – to gather knowledge for the programme
- Support to Development Officers for discussion group queries
- Presentation to Gelli Aur students
- Input at meetings with NRW and OCVO
- 27 Technical Articles written and published



A pie chart to show the representation of technical articles in each sector.

Brief summary of KE Hub driven future projects:

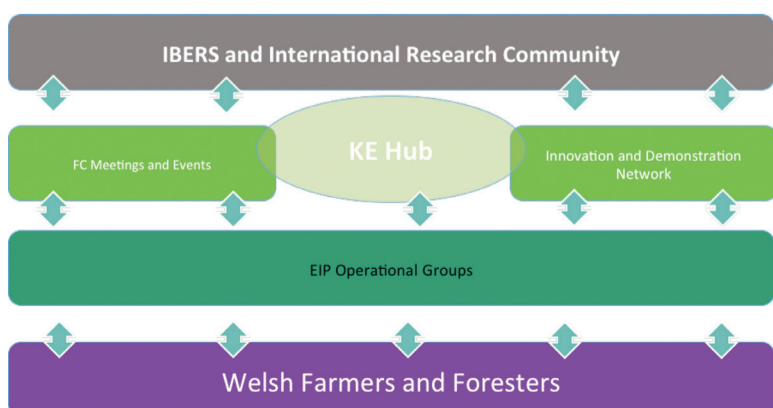
- Antimicrobial resistance campaign – back to basics booklet; sector specific booklets and e-learning – to be developed alongside OCVO
- Contribution to E-learning forward plan – production of technical articles to support this development
- Development of technical digests

CROSS CUTTING THEMES:



Activity:

Sep	Oct	Nov
EIP scoping reports as required 7 technical articles 11 concept notes	EIP scoping reports as required 4 technical articles 2 concept notes	EIP scoping reports as required 3 technical articles 8 concept notes



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Brief description of Delivery Mechanism:

- Driven by the farmer
- Provision of necessary scientific foundation to experimental design
- Providing answers to queries if available in scientific literature and building on scientific knowledge
- Testing validity of potential EIP study concepts
- Providing academic contacts
- Linking researchers with land managers
- Liaising with innovation brokers and farmers
- Linking with thematic networks and operational groups
- Harvest and synthesis of current scientific literature to assist EIP application process
- Identify gaps in current scientific knowledge requiring further academic research.

CROSS CUTTING THEMES:



Activity:

Sep	Oct	Nov
Literature searches and feedback on project outlines	Literature searches and feedback on project outlines	14 projects referred to Welsh Government

EIP INPUT TO DATE:

Total of:

- Background literature review undertaken for 25 projects
- 21 project outlines reviewed
- 14 projects referred to Welsh Government for full application stage
- Areas covered so far: grassland; animal health; livestock production; soil nutrients/nutrient management; biodiversity; new technologies; land management; invasive species control
- Developmental meetings with IBERS researchers, farmers and European initiatives (EuroDairy)

Key Messages:

- Driving innovation by connecting research to practice
- Exploring peer-reviewed research for application on-farm
- Forging partnerships across European networks
- Testing scientific principles in real world situations

Targets & Outputs:

- Responding to independent applications from pioneering Welsh farmers
- Developing working partnerships with key players including innovation brokers
- Production of literature review

KEY:

- £ Tackling poverty
- Family Future generations
- Leaf Sustainable Management of Natural Resources
- Cross Animal health and welfare
- Person New entrants and women
- Hand Health and safety

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