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# Regional strategies for R&I in agriculture and bioeconomy

*Interregional network for agricultural, forestry,  
aquaculture and fisheries research*



## Regions and Autonomous Provinces cofinance research and innovation projects



Database of regional agricultural research:  
<http://www.bancadatiiregioni.inea.it:5454/index.html>

or databases in the Regions/Province's websites

Some Regions/autonomous Provinces have research centers  
such as:

- Laimburg research centre, Ora (Bolzano)
- Edmund Mach Foundation, San Michele all'Adige (Trento)
- Agris Sardegna, Sassari
- Veneto Agricoltura, Legnaro (Padova)



They are called to contribute to the organization of the Italian research and to define objectives, methodologies and tools

In 2001 Interregional network for agricultural, forestry, aquaculture and fisheries research was established.

Reaching today 16 Regions and 2 autonomous Provinces coordinated by Tuscany

The need: create a link between all Regions/autonomous Provinces for working together also in relationships with the Italian Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Forestry (MiPAAF) and Ministry of University and Research (MiUR)

The Network is composed by regional representatives that implement program on research and innovation (managers, technicians, policy officers)



# The purpose of the network



Identify and define the innovation needs in their territories

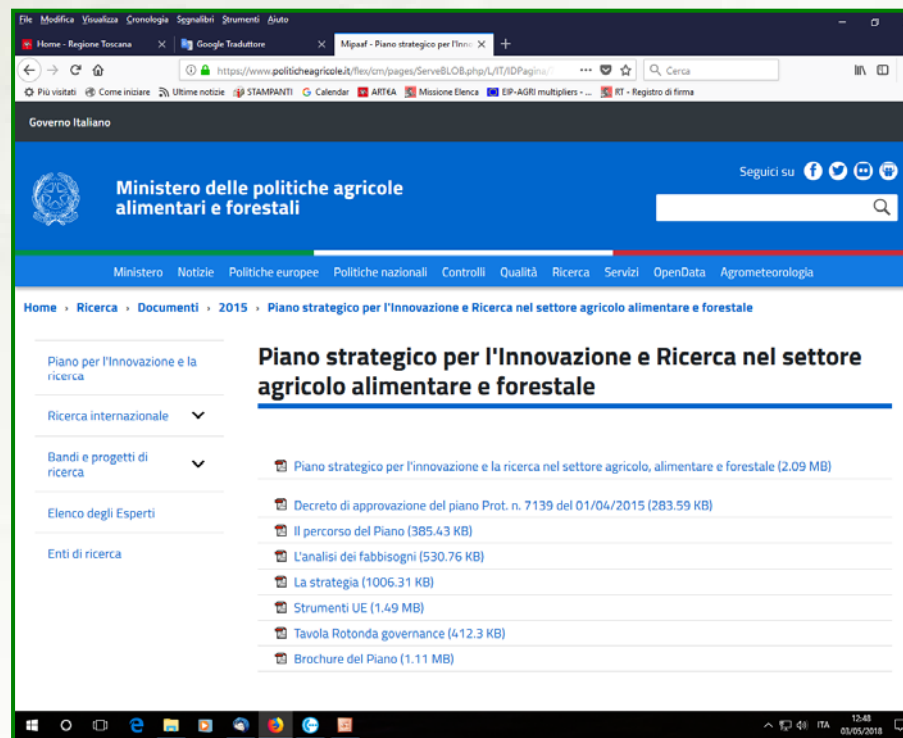
Create synergies between regions to address common issues and solve common problems

Participate jointly to the definition of innovation needs and strategies at national and European level

Until 2013 Regions edited themselves a common document on strategic research goals organized for value chain and transversal themes, updated every three years

after

MiPAAF, in agreement with the Regions, promoted during 2013/2014 a process of coordination that led to the drafting of the important governance tool called "*Strategic Plan for Innovation and research in the agricultural, food and forestry sectors - PSIR*"



# The interregional network participates in the definition of the National Rural Network programs regarding innovation

The screenshot displays the website [www.reterurale.it/innovazione](https://www.reterurale.it/innovazione). The page features a navigation menu with categories such as 'Cos'è la RRN', 'Programmazione', 'Impresa', 'Territorio', 'LEADER', 'Ambiente', 'Innovazione', 'Archivi', and 'Servizi'. The main content area is titled 'INNOVAZIONE 2014-2020' and includes a word cloud with terms like 'RETE', 'CONOSCENZA', 'RICERCA', 'INFORMAZIONE', 'INTERAZIONE', 'CAPITALE UMANO', 'COMUNICAZIONE', 'CONSULENZA', 'PARTNERSHIP', 'FORMAZIONE', and 'IMPRESA'. A sidebar on the right lists 'Innovazione UE', 'Il PEI in Italia', 'Panorama Innovazione', 'La Formazione', and 'Link utili'. Below the main text, there is a section 'In Primo piano da...' with four featured articles: 'UE' (with a photo of the European Union flag), 'PEI in Italia' (with a photo of a landscape), 'Panorama Innovazione' (with a photo of a globe), and 'Formazione' (with a photo of a group of people in a field). The website footer shows the date '03/05/2018' and the time '13:57'.



Many regions participating in the Italian interregional network are also part of ERIAFF - *European Region for Innovation in Agriculture, Food and Forestry*

ERIAFF is an informal network.

Activities are selected and operated on the basis of joint interests and/or strong commitment from one or more of its members.



ERIAFF has attracted a growing number of partners, reaching today 71 Regions (41 members and 30 observers)



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**Aims for the future**

- Strengthen collaboration with the Italian Ministry of Agriculture to identify common strategies and goals
- More integration and interaction with other policies (research, industry, environment, etc.)
- Increase interaction with SCAR, European networks, EIP-AGRI, etc.
- More interaction with Agriculture Knowledge and Innovation Systems

Thank you all for your attention

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