



Resilience for Dairy (R4D) has received funding from the European Union's Horizon 2020 research and innovation program under grant agreement No 101000770

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Innovations

Socio-economic Resilience / **Environment**









2005

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Machinery renewal

Fire in offices and milking parlor

Farming milestones 2020

Solar panels

2000

Society set up

2007-2008

Mats and rubber on the floor

2018

Restructuring

The herd

- 347 Livestock Units (LU)
- 200 dairy Holstein cows
- 78 dairy heifers
- 69 calves
- Age at first calving: 24 months
- 20 % replacement
- A.I. sexed & genomic; no replacement b.b.

Agricultural Area

- 50 ha
- 50%-50% grass and ryegrass
- GUVAC cooperative → unifeed daily

Areas of interest

- Cooperativism between partners
- Animal & social welfare
- Milk quality

Workforce

- 5.45 a.m.-1 p.m. / 3 p.m.-8 p.m.
- 3 farmers partners
- 1 man full time labour
- 2 weekends off/month + 15 days/year

Main buildings and Equipment

- 2 main pavilions
- 180 sleeping mat
- Milking parlor of 12x12 Ventilators
- Slurry scrapers
- Offices
- 4 slurry pits
- Humidifiers

"AA" quality milk production

- 2.300.000 L/year produced
- 4% butterfat and 3.4% protein
- 133 summatical cells
- 10 bacteria







Strengths

- Organization among partners
- New facilities



Weaknesses

- Lack of surface
- Current € situation
- Generational change in 10 years



Opportunities

- Slurry delivery service and biogas plant in the Valley:
- 1.5 €/m3



Threats

- Rough terrain for slurry
- Urban land pressure
- Minimize costs



Improvement project - objectives

Maintain work load



 Save water and energy consumption





- Optimise dairy gross margin
- Keep a good global profitability for a knowledge transfer centre

• Improve forage self-sufficiency





Partners



Colaborators



"Resilience 4 Dairy" is a European project involving 15 European countries and 18 partners. R4D is a thematic network on innovations and aims to support EU dairy farming in these regions where dairy farming is a main economic activity.



R4D pilot farmers are involved in a National Dairy Akis group where needs, solutions and knowledge are exchanged with other farmers, advisors and scientists on their way to build a resilient system. More information https://resilience4dairy.eu/