



Advancing with the preparation of the CAP Strategic Plan in Austria

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General Framework



- Austria - federal state with 9 regions (Bundesländer)
- One single Rural Development Programme since 2000 with funding from federal (60%) and regional level (40%); national co-financing ~50%
- ~2/3 of payments for pillar 2 (EUR 1.100m out of ~ EUR 1.800m CAP-payments)
- Federal Ministry of Agriculture, Regions and Tourism is the Managing Authority and responsible for programming, coordination and implementation of RDP
- Agrarmarkt Austria (AMA) is the Paying Agency for pillar 1 and pillar 2
- Regions are involved in the programming and the implementation of the programme, moreover they are granting authorities for specific non-IACS-measures

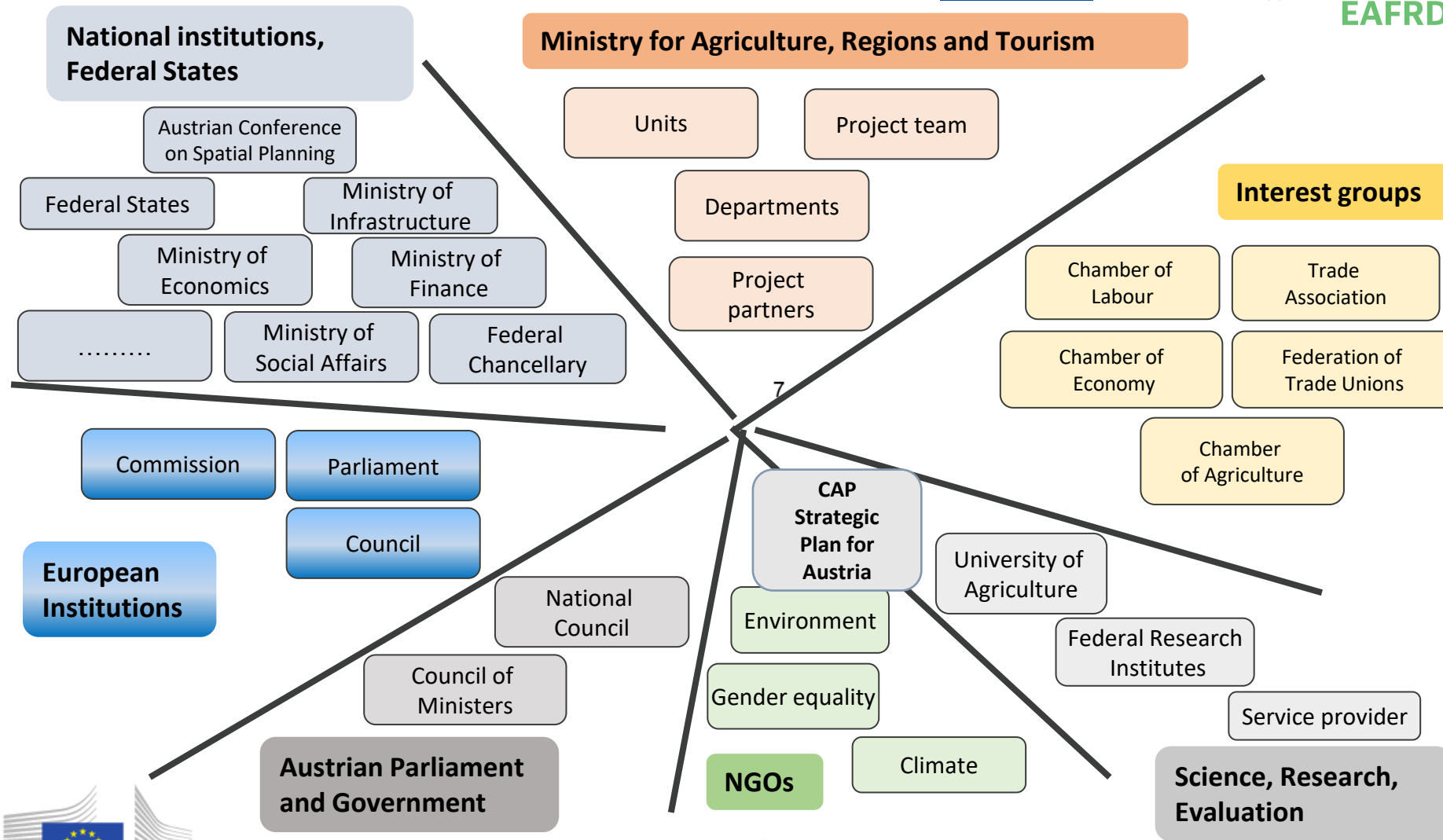
Programming Process Overview



- Start of the project *CAP-Strategic Plan for Austria* (incl. Kick-off event) May 2019
- Objectives
 - One national CAP-Strategic Plan
 - Submission to the Commission Dec 2020/Jan 2021
 - Maintain continuity in existing governance structures at national & regional level
 - 1 Managing Authority and 1 Paying Agency for pillar 1 and 2
 - 9 federal provinces (Bundesländer) as equal partners in the programming, implementation & financing process



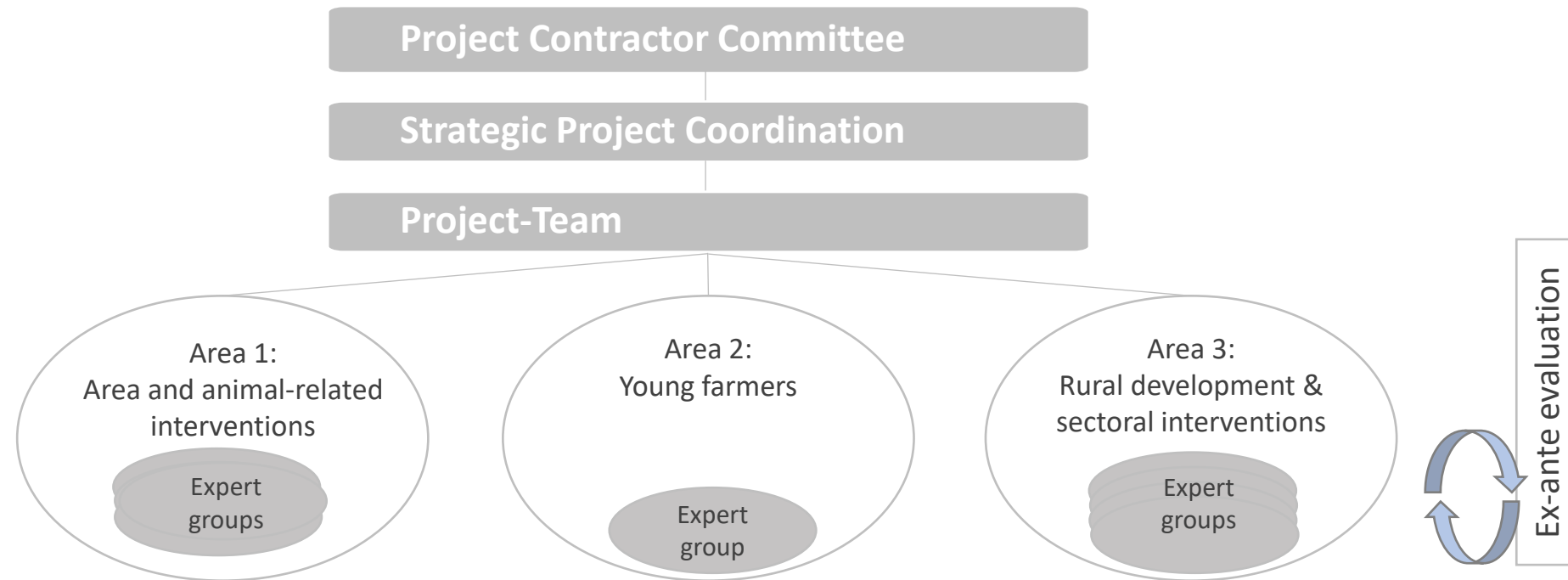
Who is involved in the process?



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How is the project organised?



2 technical working groups on implementation of the CAP-SP



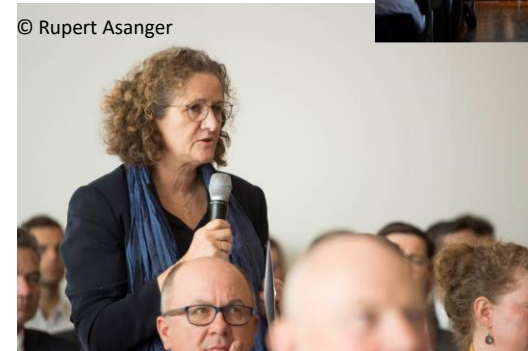
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How are stakeholders involved?



- Involvement of public and environmental authorities, economic and social partners and bodies representing civil society
- **Different types of involvement**
 - Events (in cooperation with the National Rural Network)
 - CAP conferences: Kick-off-event (May 2019)
 - Expert dialogues
 - Expert groups
 - Expert talks
 - Online tools
 - Website, Newsletter, Webinars, etc.



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Financial instruments



- Existing financial instruments
 - Loans for agricultural investments (AIK - Agrarinvestitionskredit)
 - Long lasting experience (since the 1970s)
 - Loan portfolio EUR 130m per year
 - Current interest rate 1,5 % -> 36 % or 50 % national subsidy
 - Credit period 10 to 20 years
- New financial instruments
 - Preparatory ex-ante assessment on implementing new financial instruments in Austria in the context of the CAP Strategic Plan 2020+
 - Consultant - Austrian Institute for Regional Studies (OIR)



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financial instruments capacity building Farming
 Rural development funding agreement EU guidance
 added technical support co-financing ex-ante assessment final
 value seminars governance intermediaries recipients
 leverage EAFRD fi-compass investments
 Agriculture thematic objectives Targeted coaching case studies
 business plan Thank you equity
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