



Additional activity: Research project seminar 17 November 2020 Online meeting

Evaluation of the seminar

1 – Introduction

The coordinators demonstrated successful transnational research that is performed by the 14 projects which are funded via ERA-NET SusAn's co-funded call. From mid-2017 onwards, 14 research consortia with more than 100 researchers from over 20 countries started their work to achieve new insights for the field of sustainable animal production.

We started this seminar with a welcome of the ERA-Net SusAn Coordinator, who handed over to **Jean-Charles Cavitte from DG Agriculture and Rural Development**, who presented an update on the Farm to Fork strategy and Horizon Europe. Focuses on Cluster 6, Intervention Area 3 Agriculture, Forestry & Rural Areas.

After this very informative presentation, the coordinators of the Co-funded projects presented their projects. During this SusAn virtual project Seminar, we divided the 14 projects in three groups.

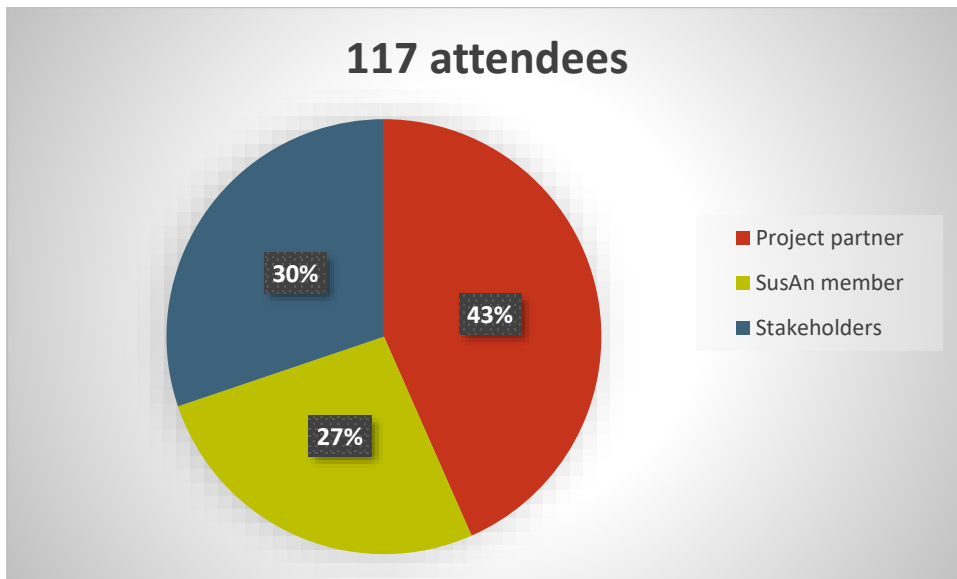
In the three sessions we showed short videos of each project, that were created in collaboration with the coordinator and ILVO. In addition to the video, each project coordinator gave a five minutes presentation in which they focused on the results of the project and also answered the question: *"Which future research needs do you see at the end of your project that would significantly contribute to more sustainable animal production systems?"*. Each session was followed by a 15 minutes time for the audience to ask questions.

Please find here the download link to [the videos and presentations of each project](#). Feel free to share them with your community.

Time	Topic	Presenter
08:45–09:00	Time to enter video conference	II
09:00–09:15	Welcome & introduction session I	II
09:00–09:15	• Official welcome by the first ERA-NET SusAn Coordinator	Elke Suggaß
09:15–09:30	• From Horizon 2020 to Horizon Europe—new challenges and approaches	Jean-Charles Cavitte
09:30–09:45	Presentation of the co-funded projects I	II
09:30–09:40	FreshWalc	Marija Kljanc
09:40–09:50	Redivers	Georg Thaller
09:50–10:00	SusCart	Hilbert Steinhilber
10:00–10:10	SUSTAINELLE	Sylvain Hesnard
10:10–10:20	EPIACTISE	Giovanni Formaioli
10:20–10:35	Q&A Session I	Mónica de Prados
10:35–10:50	Screen-break I	II
10:50–11:00	Pigassi	Klaus Wimmer
11:00–11:10	PigSpot	Olivier Henneff
11:10–11:20	SusPig	Raine Wensley
11:20–11:30	SusPiggy	Doppel Sabine
11:30–11:40	SusP	Volker Strauß
11:40–11:55	Q&A Session II	Katrin Bräcker
11:55–12:30	Lunch-break II	II
12:30–12:40	Ecotam	Maria Baratta
12:40–12:50	SusSheep	Sean Fair
12:50–13:00	SusTradeOff	Maria Helena Pinardi
13:00–13:10	AnimalFuture	Francesco Accatelli
13:10–13:25	Q&A discussion II	Manjiv Hunnicutt
13:30–14:30	Open discussion session II	II
14:30–14:40	Closing session II	Elke Suggaß

2 - Participation

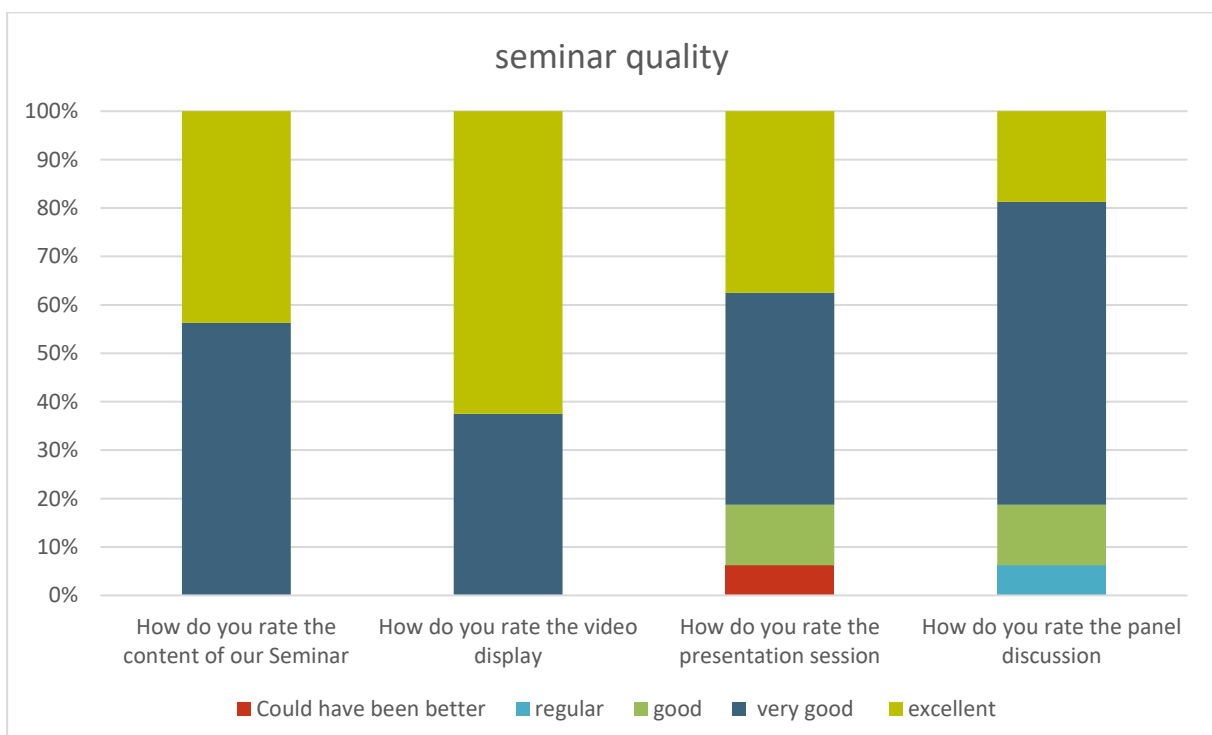
The event series was very successful attracting in total more than 117 attendees and 145 registrations. Including 46 project coordinators or project partners, 28 SusAn partners and 32 others, including stakeholders.



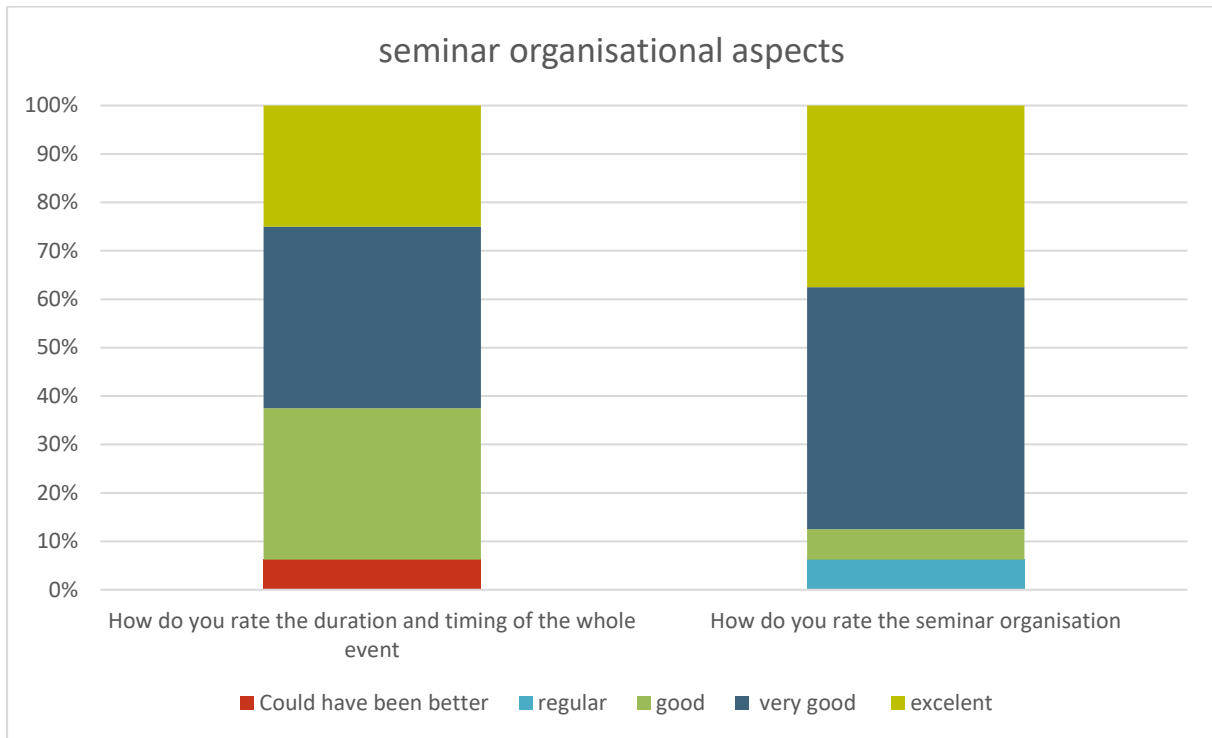
3 - Seminar Evaluation

3.a. Seminar quality

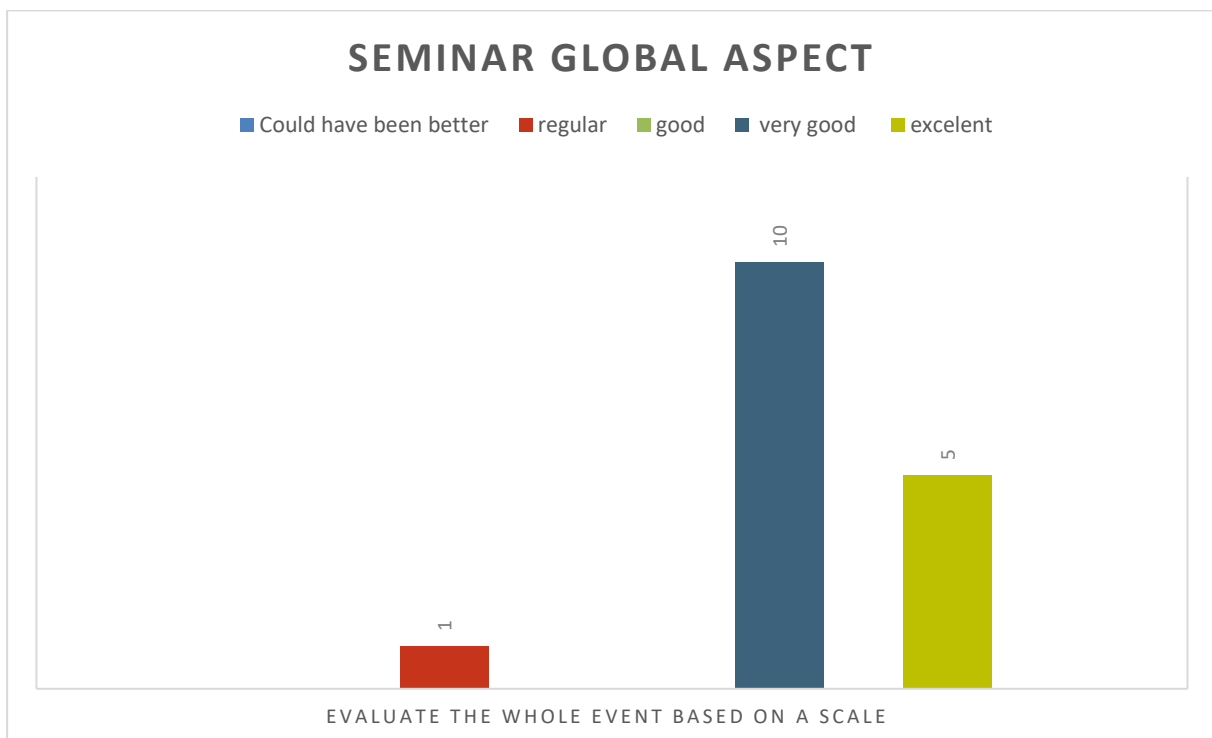
16 participants (who represented 19% of the total) evaluated different aspects regarding the quality of the seminar. **Most of the items were evaluated as excellent and very good, above all, the seminar content, the videos, the presentation sessions, and the speakers.**



The participants were also asked about the organizational aspects, which was generally found to be good.



Overall, the global evaluation of the seminar was evaluated very good, with a media of score 4 out of 5 as maximum.



3.b. Participants Expectations

Besides, the participants were asked about their expectations and their replies are the following ones:

Which was your expectation of this seminar and did the event meet it?

- My expectations regarding content were fully fulfilled. The planned agenda was good and an interesting mix. Unfortunately the very bad time keeping of the presenters which was not controlled at all by the moderators made it very hard to stay concentrated. Sorry for the blunt comment, but the bad time keeping really took the fun away.
- To learn more about the other projects. Yes, I got the information :-)
- To have a general overview of the projects' results
- The event met completely my expectations. I just expected that the seminar went fluid without technical problems and interesting results for the attendees
- information's about other projects
- Yes
- I hoped to get an overview about the different projects linked to SusAn. And yes, the event met my expectations :-)
- Great
- I was expecting the explanations enhanced with visual elements to be an effective presentation, mostly met my expectations.
- To have an overview of the outcomes of current/recent SusAn research projects
- I expected to be informed about the results and innovation produced by the funded projects. This actually happened
- Expectations were met
- To be honest I did not have big expectation for this event. It was rather vague who the target group was.
- I expected an overview of the results of the funded projects, the event met it.
- Yes, the event was perfectly managed and met all my expectations
- news from funded projects; yes the seminar met my expectations

3.c. Participants opinions:

Lately, the participants were asked to comment on the seminar and to give suggestions for the final seminar. Their replies are the following ones:

Suggestions/ comments/ ideas for final seminar

- All presenters should be warned that they will be limited to the appointed time and I would suggest to use an audio signal when presenters exceed their speaking time (timer clock). All moderators should know when questions are scheduled. The general outline (blocks, mixed contribution types etc.) might also fit the final seminar.
- Perfect to use virtual meetings, especially in these times of corona, but it allows also for participation when budgets for travelling are restricted.
- To put the projects' results in SusAn context
- To engage SusAn stakeholders

- Nice to be able to participate by internet. For more contact, a physical meeting is best, but due to Corona and also due to economic restrictions, it is perfect to participate by internet. :-)
- No comments, it was great
- The presentation would be more effective with visual elements and video enhanced.
- More involvement of business operators in order to show them innovations and related new best practices to boost innovations in the animal production supply chains
- nothing to add, thanks for your assistance and collaboration!
- The event was too long
- It is very challenging to summarize results from a versatile project in 5 min, as was the case for the current event. If its to a virtual seminar, it is better you have get in the presentation prerecorded so that you many to keep the timeline
- excellent video sessions, great organization
- Improve even more the video for the projects. They are the best way to express the innovations

4 - Overall conclusion

The SusAn research projects online event was a success, there were no technical problems and we succeeded in creating more visibility for our projects.

The communication team would like to thank all seminar speakers for the positive contribution and collaboration along the event and for the good input on the evaluation questionnaires.

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