



Knowledge Exchange between Research and Practice

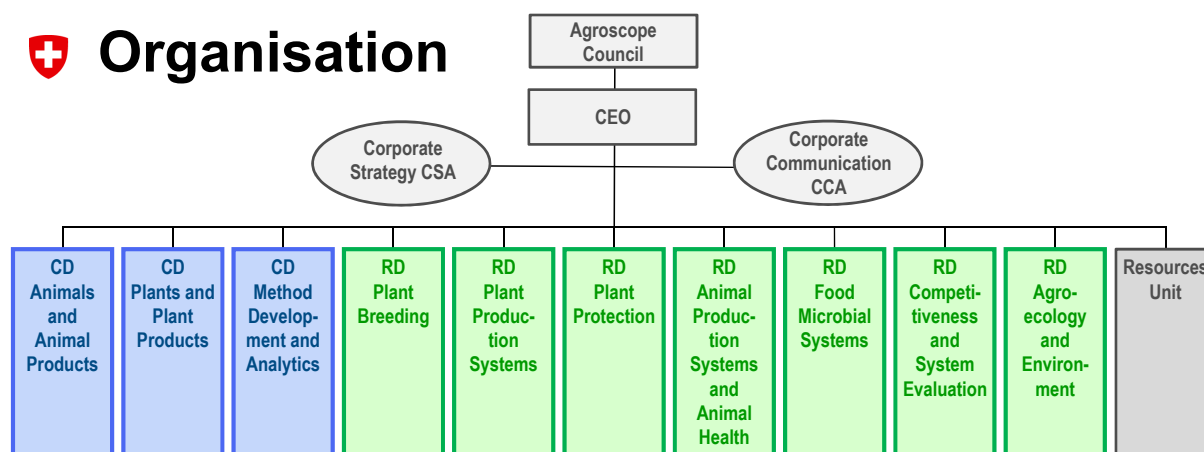
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Organisation



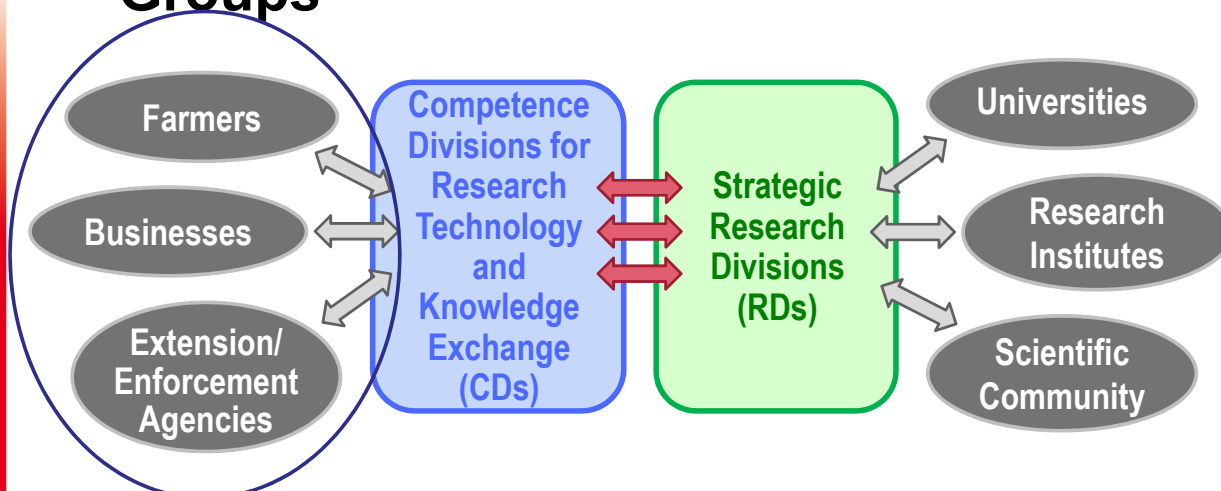
Competence Divisions for Research Technology and Knowledge Exchange (CDs)

- Focus on practical knowledge and the research concerns of practitioners (incl. enforcement)
- Knowledge exchange between RDs and practice
- Method research and development
- Provision of infrastructure and technologies

Strategic Research Divisions (RDs)

- Acquiring scientific knowledge for later application
- Outstanding research for the agriculture and food sector

Agroscope: Organisation and Target Groups



Organisational logic

- Strengthening of cooperation through interconnections between entities with different focuses
- Better alignment with the different stakeholder groups

Elements for Strengthening Interaction with Practice

- Maintenance of established exchange with **sectoral organisations** (important umbrella associations, Swiss Farmers' Union expert commissions, etc.), **extension services** and agricultural **schools**
- Further development and optimisation of cooperation with the 20 existing thematic **practice forums** (e.g. Vegetable Production and Fruit Production) **and research forums** (e.g. Beef Production, Pork Production, Agricultural Engineering, Nutrition).
- Creation of clear **entry points** for new concerns of practitioners
- ➔ Creation of **coordinating positions** in the PPP & AAP CDs to support knowledge exchange with practice



Coordination of Knowledge Exchange: Concept

▪ Aim:

- Closer internal networking of Agroscope Research Groups
- Closer cooperation of all stakeholders interested in knowledge exchange in the plant and animal production sectors and better contact between research and practice (sectoral organisations, farmers, businesses, teachers, extension reps, researchers, etc.)



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Responsibilities

- **Coordination of topics** in the 'Animals and Animal Products' sector
 - **Networking** with around 40 Research Groups within Agroscope
 - **Cultivating contacts** with the sector in the agricultural environment (external networking)
 - Improving **exchange with cantonal extension services and agricultural schools**
 - **Processing technical queries** outside of the forum processes
 - **Make expertise and specialists** available to practice
 - **Representation of interests** in the outside world



Responsibilities

- **Organic Farming Coordination**
 - Maintaining exchange with FiBL and Bio Suisse
 - Raising the profile of Agroscope organic research at organic events



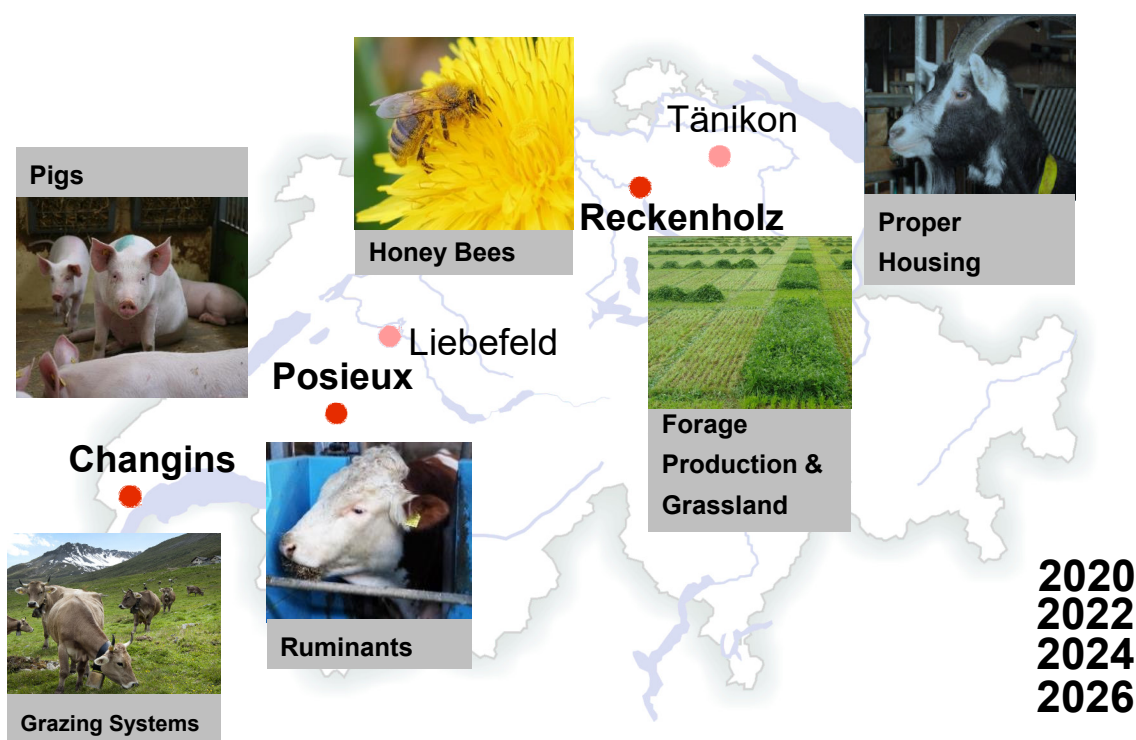


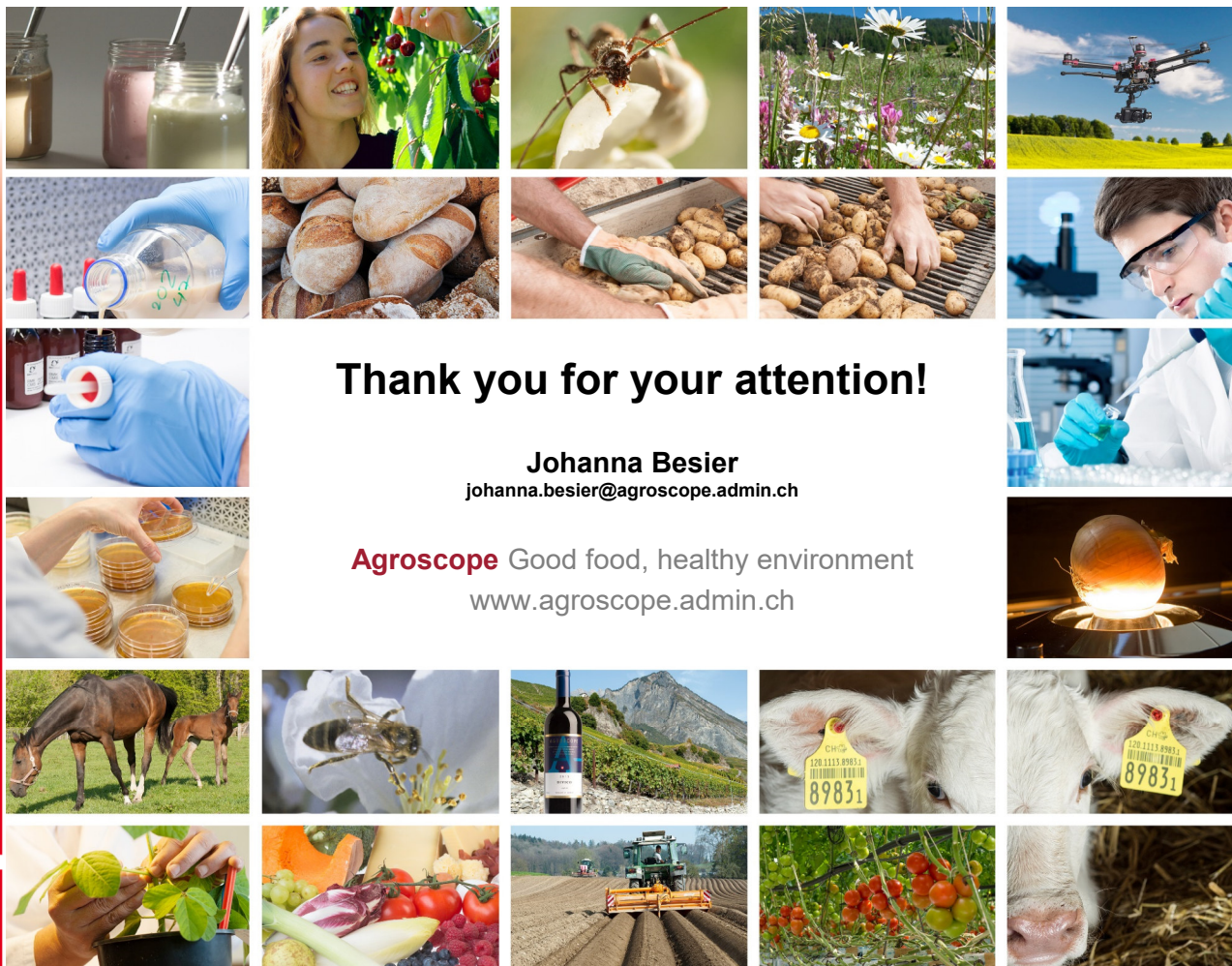
‘Animals, Animal Products and SNS’ Competence Division

- Conducting animal production trials and processing products of animal origin
- CD AAP possesses extensive, modern research infrastructure and technology, and is responsible for their maintenance and further development
- Practice-oriented trials with cattle, pigs, sheep and horses
- Research in the fields of horse keeping, breeding, use and health
- Knowledge transfer (coordination, teaching, extension)
- The CD AAP also encompasses the activities of both the Swiss National Stud (SNS) and the Official Feed Inspection Service (AFK).



‘Animal Production Systems’





Thank you for your attention!

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