



# **How can we reap the full economic and environmental potential of agroforestry, and make it go mainstream?**

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# The EEB in a few words

- “ Created in 70’s
- “ Largest federation of environmental NGOs
- “ 140 members organisations
- “ Tackle a variety of environmental issues
- “ <http://www.eeb.org/>

# The pros and cons

**The pros:**



- “ Different approach to farming- move away from monocultures and specialized farming (integrated system)
- “ Biodiversity
- “ Climate
- “ Water
- “ Soil
- “ Animal welfare

# The cons

The cons



Speculation for carbon storage

Wrong management (intensive...)

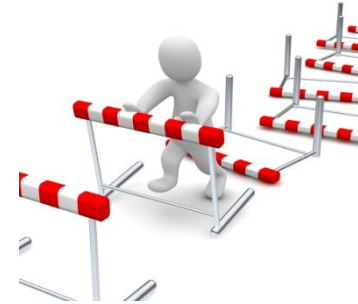
# Obstacles and opportunities

Obstacles:

“ Common Agricultural Policy:

Failed greening...

Unsuitable eligibility criteria...



# Opportunities

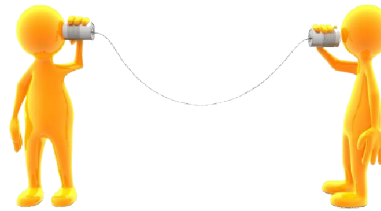
## Opportunities

- “ Rural Development?
- “ Climate and energy package post 2020?
- “ Circular economy?



# The needs

“ Knowledge transfer- peer to peer exchanges-  
Communication



“ Uptake of the right measures in Rural  
Development



# The needs

“ Sound reform of the CAP post 2020: move towards food and farming policy supportive of agroecology

# Summary

- “ Lots of potential
- “ Lots of political barriers
- “ Knowledge transfer, communication
- “ Political opportunities in the future?

“ Thanks!

Questions?

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