

FOODPathS WP3

'Building a Food System co-funding network and aligning funding strategies'

6. Funders Forum 23 April 2024, Brussels

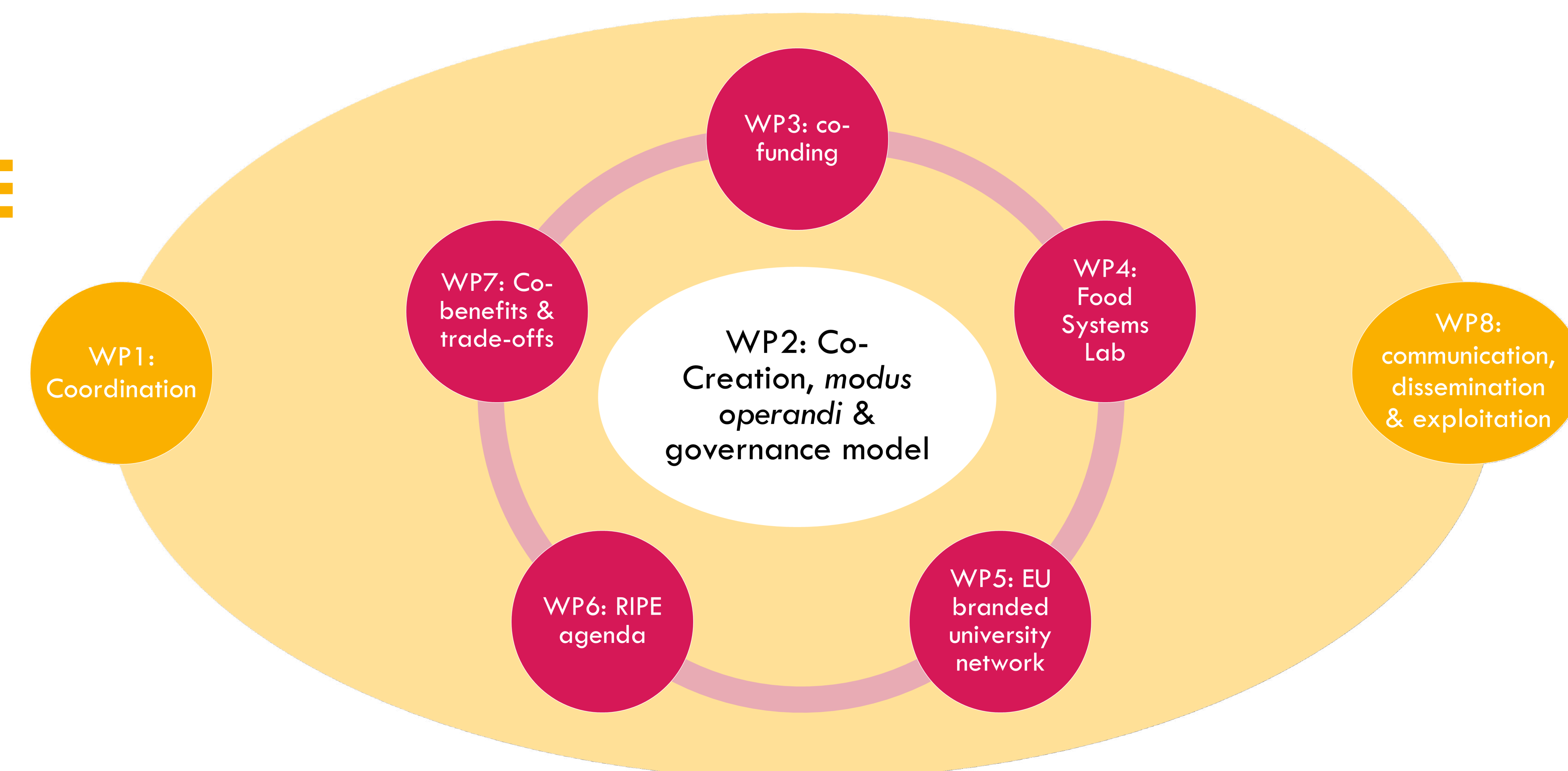
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WP3: Overall aims

- Transformation of food systems funding - from established funding schemes towards funding approaches that enable systems approaches and co-creation
- Respecting the needs of public authorities, funders, researchers and ultimately the diversity of people who are faced with the effects of our current, imperfect food system
- Main target group are funders, both public and private, on regional and national scales and from different sectors of the food system

CONNECT – DIALOGUE – CO-CREATE

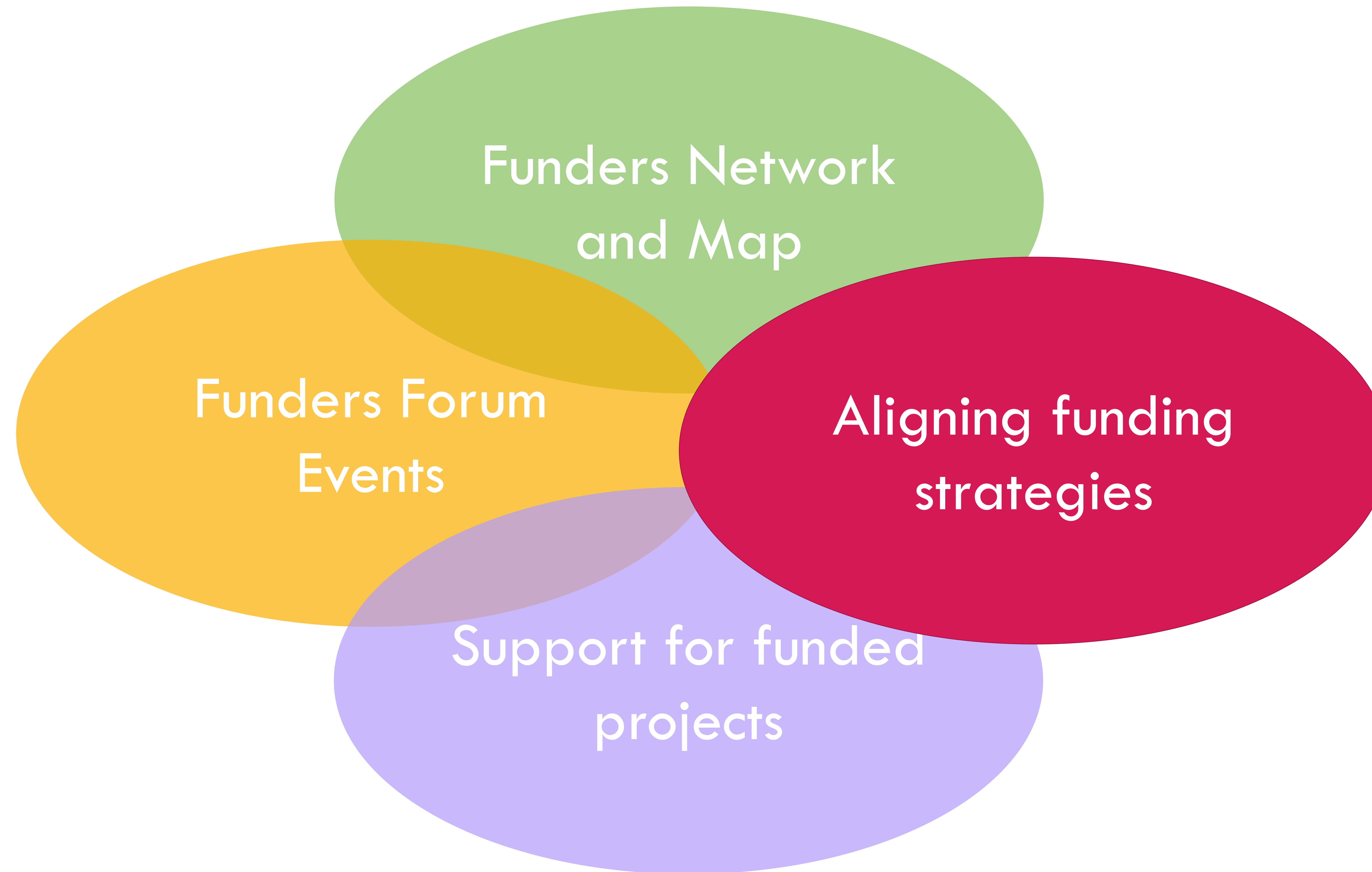


WP3 Team



| Associated network | Type of network partners | FOODPathS partner |
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| CORE Organic Pleiades network (41 partners in 26 countries) | Public partners | Aarhus University - International Centre for Research in Organic Food Systems (AU-ICROFS) |
| Fondazione Cassa di Risparmio Delle Provincie Lombardie (Cariplo) | Philanthropic partners | Fondazione Cassa di Risparmio Delle Provincie Lombardie (Cariplo) |
| BIOEAST | Public partners | Institute of Rural and Agricultural Development of the Polish Academy of Sciences (IRWIR PAN) |
| Philanthropy Europe Association (Philea) | Philanthropic partners | Philanthropy Europe Association (Philea) |
| SUSFOOD2 network (26 partners from 15 countries) | Public partners | Research Center Jülich (FZJ) |
| ERIAFF network of regions (54 members and 39 observers) | Regional, public partners | Seinäjoki University of Applied Sciences (SeAMK) |
| Healthy Diet, Healthy Life (HDHL) , 28 partners from 19 countries) | Public partners | The Netherlands Organisation for Health Research and Development (ZonMw) |

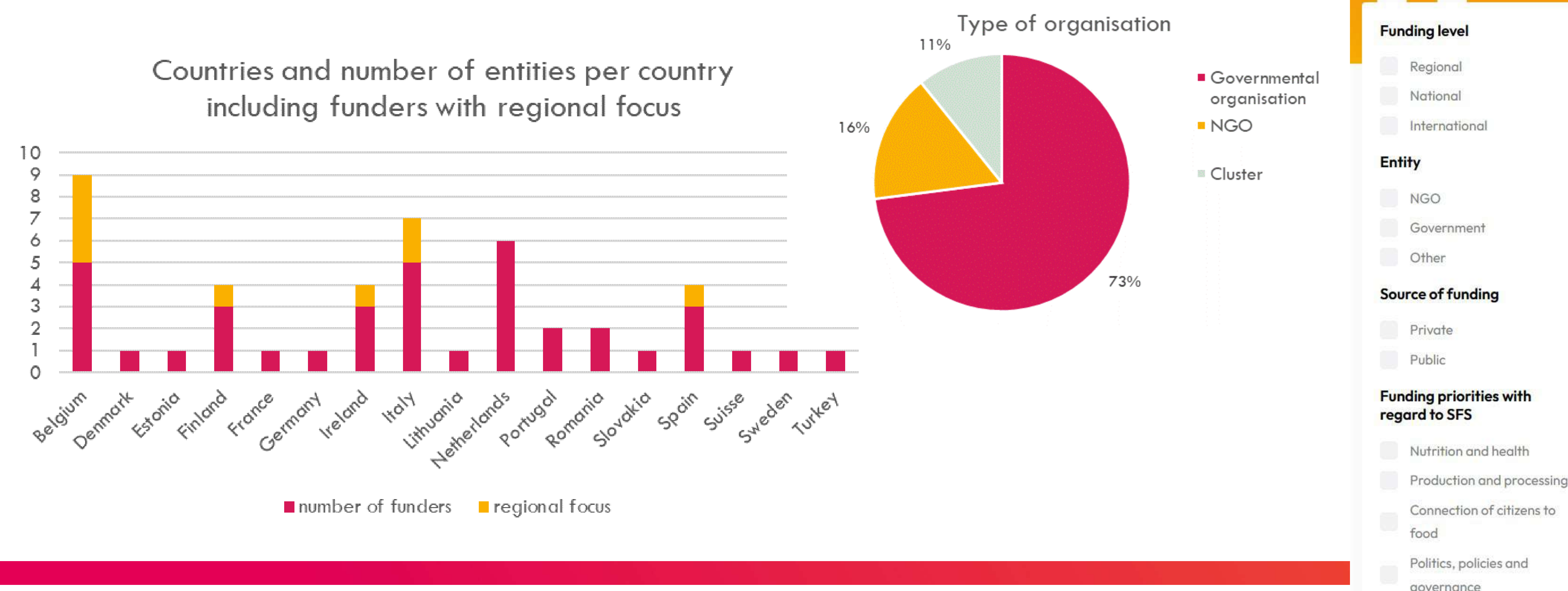
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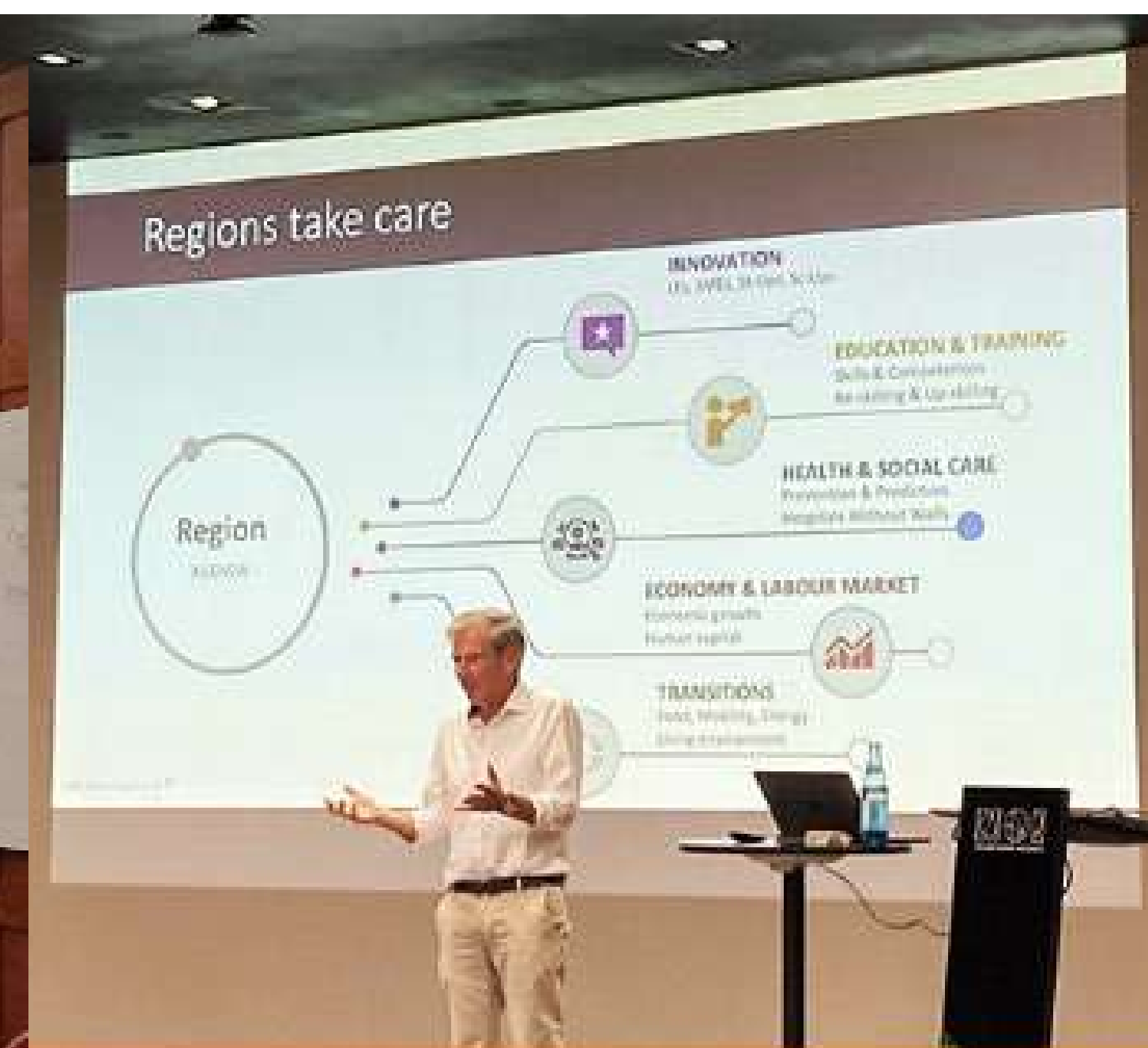
Funders Network and Map



- **Preparing information:** WP3 specific leaflet, dedicated webpage, invitation letters, etc.
- **Engaging with public and private funders** interested to shape the future PS (via email, newsletters, survey)
- **Series of individual interviews** (16 interviews with public and private funding bodies from 11 countries)
- **Established Funders Network** comprising 50 organisations from 24 countries
- **Interactive map of funders** on the FOODPathS website



Funders Forum Events



November 2022 (online)
 Kick-off Funders Forum:
 Expectations and needs

February 2023 (Brussels)
 Workshop on food systems approach in call procedures

May 2023 (Bolzano)
 „Regional Funders Forum“ by ERIAFF
 Focus on regional actors and their role for transformation of food systems

September 2023 (online)
 „Philantropic Funders Forum“ by Philea&Cariplo

September 2023 (Brussels)
 „Health & Sustainability“ Funders Forum“ by HDHL

23/24 April 2024 (Brussels)
 6th Funders Forum

- Emphasis on clear info (prior and after)
- Connect – dialogue – co-create
- Diversity of participants

Aligning
funding
strategies

Aim: Aligning transnational call procedures and funding strategies in a systems approach

- **Workshop** during 2. Funders Forum on implementation of systems approach in call procedures (call text – evaluation – impact)
 - Connection and **valorization** of activities from other tasks (interviews, funders forum outputs)
 - Strong **synergies** with WP2 (systems approach definition) and WP6 (SRIA follow-up)
 - **Systematic analysis** of good examples of systems approach implementation along the funding cycle > **call analysis...** → *Knowledge that will help the future partnership to tailor future calls even better to a systems approach*
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Support for
funded projects

The new Partnership should support the funded projects in their efforts to implement a systems approach and to achieve impactful results.

FoodPathS survey (under analysis)

- *What knowledge and skills are needed?*
- *What measures and supporting actions could/should be offered?*
- *What themes and which tools should get special attention?*
- **Target group: everyone who is involved in or around R&I projects**

→ Goal is to set up a catalogue of support measures (e.g. trainings, webinars, networking events, and policy activities) emphasizing systems approaches and fostering desired community building, capacity building and creating commitment to the FutureFoodS Partnership

> SESSION 6 tomorrow...



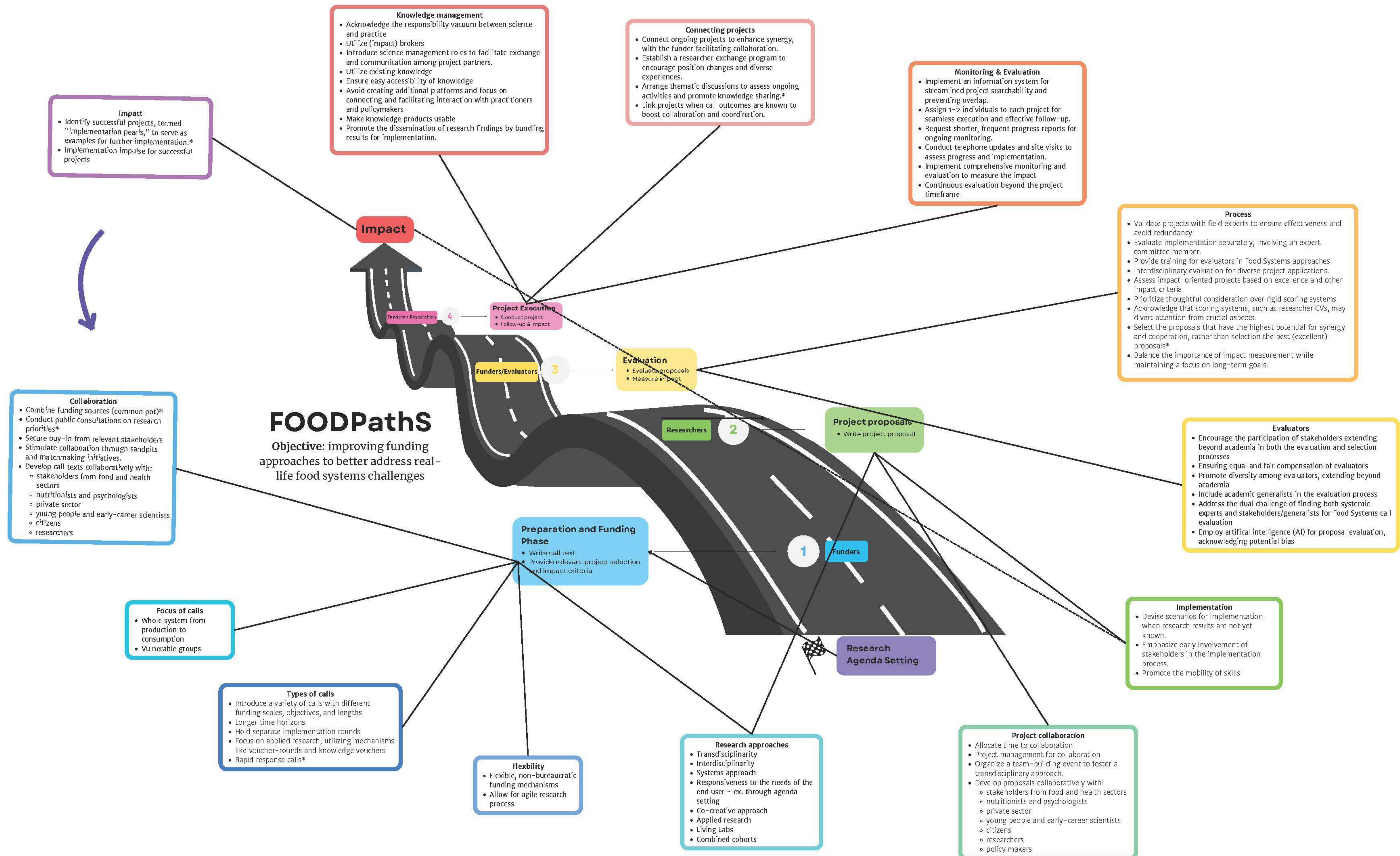
Results and next steps

- ✓ Funders Network (consisting of 50 funding organisations + info)
- ✓ Dedicated webpage with interactive map of funders
- ✓ 11 in-depth Interviews conducted
- ✓ Info material: WP3 leaflet, FAQ document, Funders Forum reports
- ✓ 5 (+1) Funders Forum events conducted and insights collected
- ✓ Systematic analysis of call examples (21 calls; summary report under preparation)
- summary report under preparation and to be shared by mid 2024
- ✓ Collaboration with WP6: Focus group interviews to receive the project perspective on systems approach and cross-disciplinarity (validation/testing) > **SESSION 4 tomorrow**
- ✓ Survey on support measures for R&I projects
- analysis and sharing of results
- **Provide recommendations and guiding ideas towards funding of systems approach**

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FOODPathS WP3 pathway to impactful funding...



Thank you for your attention!

