



OG engagement strategy deployed in Soil-X-Change

“The future of EIP-AGRI Operational Groups: challenges, opportunities and existing support services”

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Fostering cross-border knowledge exchange and co-creation on sustainable soil and farm management

- Duration: 36 months (1 January 2024 - 31 December 2026)
- 13 partners from 9 countries
- **Aims to collect, harmonize, and share ready-to-use SSM practices**
- Builds a EU-wide network for knowledge exchange and co-creation
- Supports farmers, advisors, and policymakers with practical solutions





Soil-X-Change objectives

1

Enhance sustainable soil management

Through new and existing networks for knowledge exchange and peer learning at national and EU levels.

2

Develop and share new soil management tools and knowledge

Focusing on efficient, soil-friendly practices and innovations from EIP OGs and other projects.

3

Analyzing gaps

In sustainable soil management and OG operations for actionable in-sights in briefs and policies.

4

Effectively share EIP OG results

With clear, actionable materials for broad implementation.

5

Enhancing EU AKIS integration and cross-country collaboration

Through the Soil-X-Change project and EIP OGs to boost the Network's sustainability and impact.

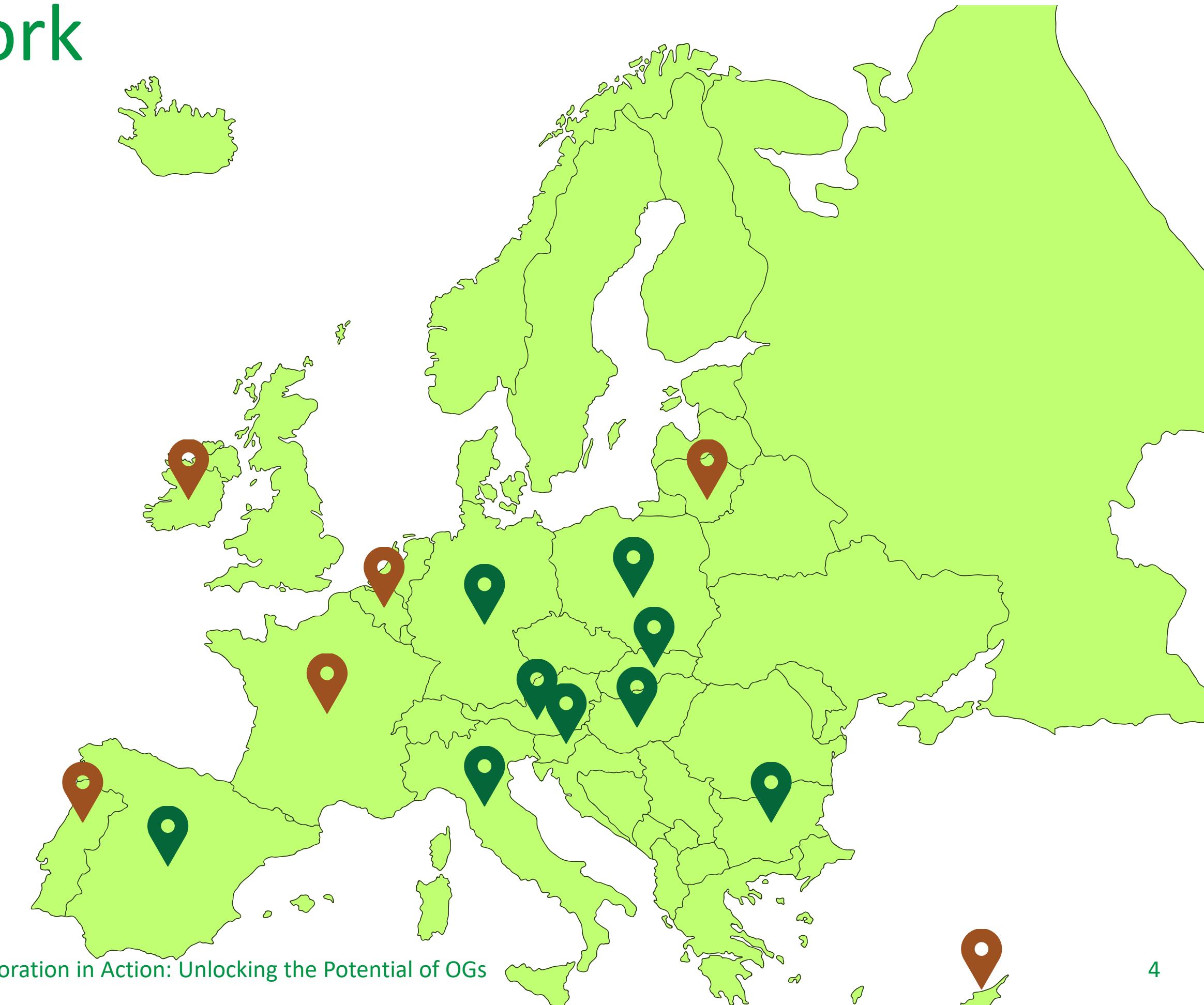


Soil-X-Change Network

- 9 member + 6 external countries
- 100+ direct partners
- 68 onboard OGs

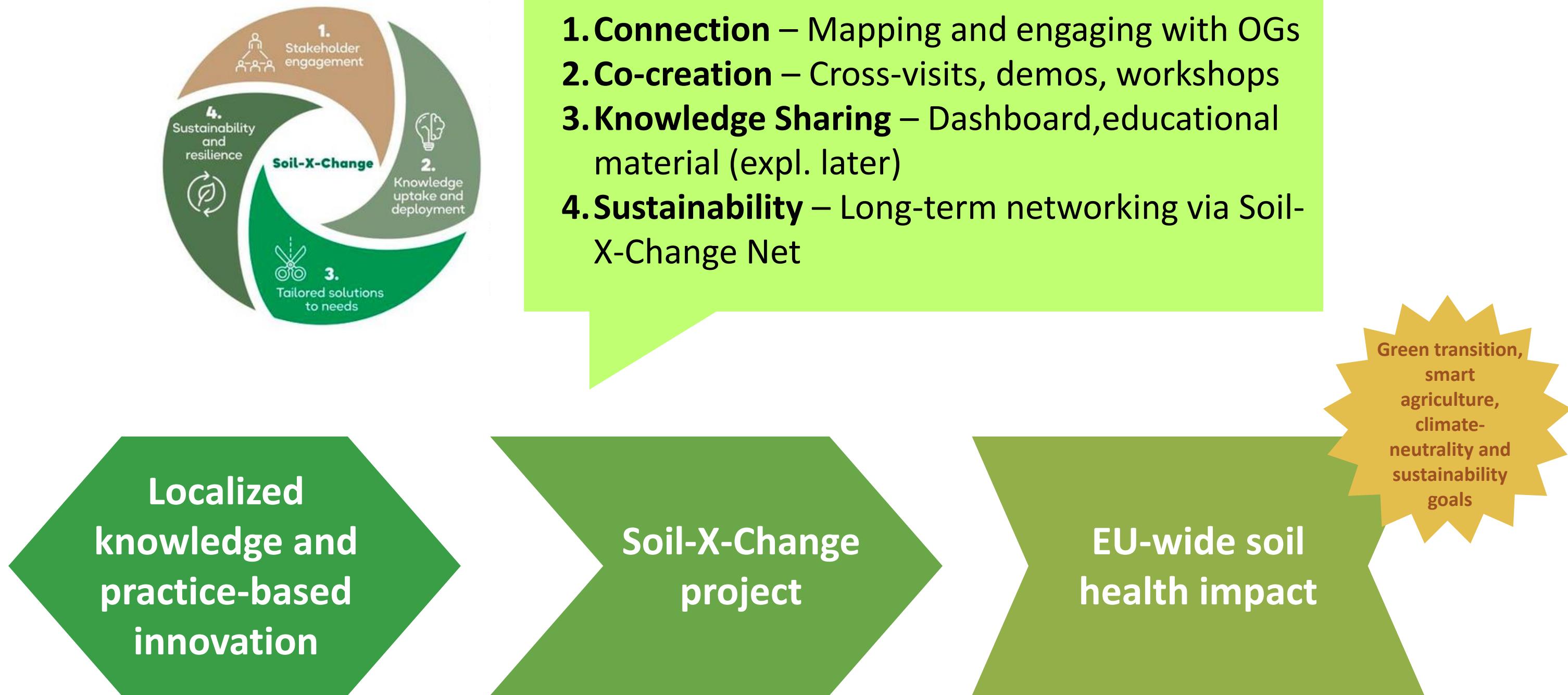
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Soil-X-Change's approach

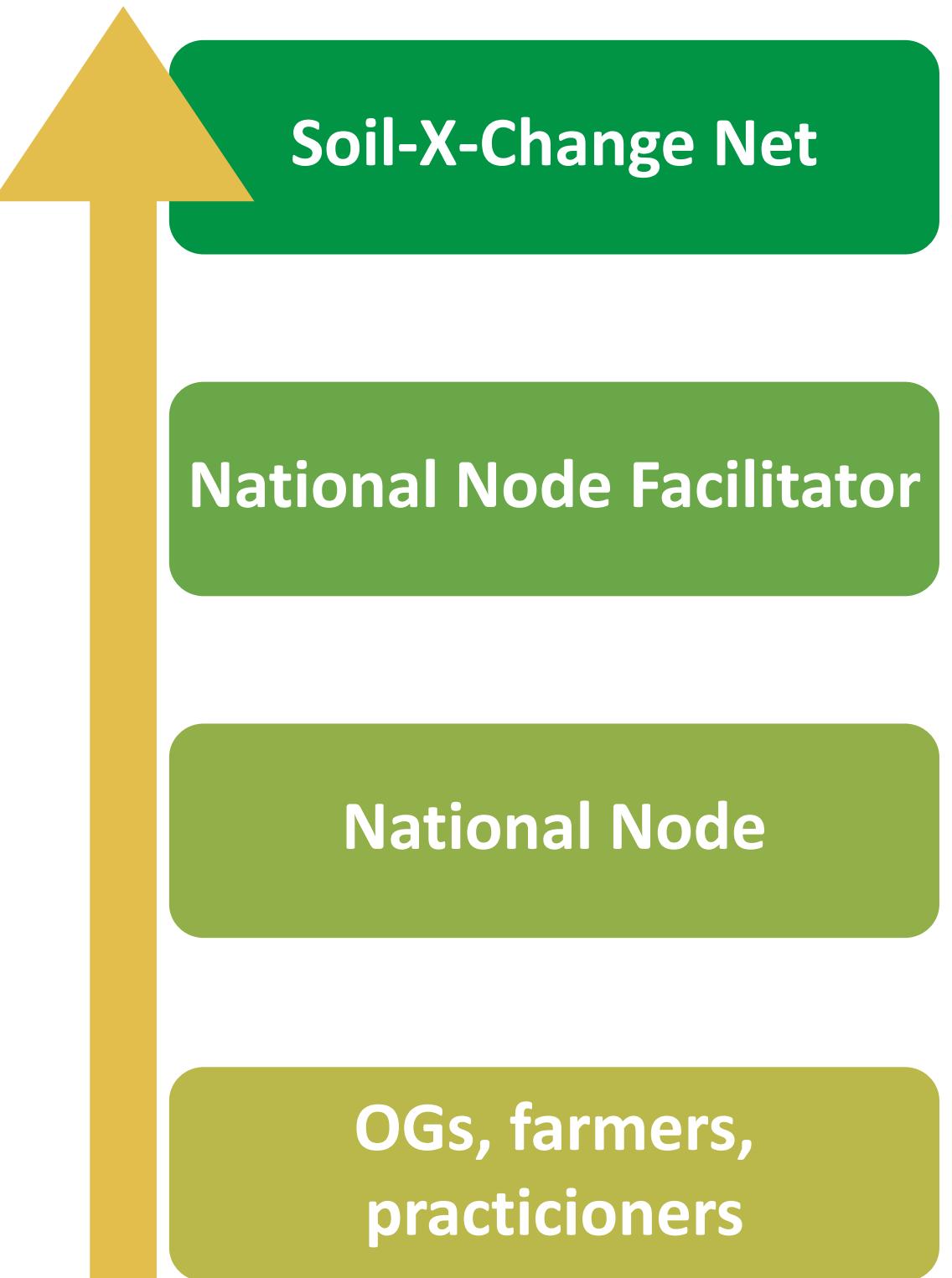




Soil-X-Change's approach

- 9 National Nodes established
- Act as local anchors for OGs, advisors, farmers, AKIS
- Activities: mapping and engaging, local workshops and webinars, translation of outputs, data collection

Outcome: Bottom-up integration into EU-wide Soil-X-Change Net





Soil-X-Change's approach

Operational Groups

68 ready-to-use SSM practices
300+ feedback on SSM awareness and experience survey
100+ feedback on OG experience survey

Enhanced visibility and knowledge uptake
Peer-to-peer learning across EU
Access to tailored, ready-to-use innovations
Influence on policy and future CAP frameworks

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