

Regional AKIS Stakeholders workshop: Southern Europe

Spanish AKIS – Brief context

Agricultural context

Spain has an area of more than 500,000 km², of which almost half are agricultural areas (23 Mha) and the other half are forest/wooded areas (28 Mha). In addition, rural areas occupy 84% of the land but only 16% of the population. Spain has more than 900.000 holdings, which makes the agricultural sector strategic.

Main characteristics of the AKIS

Spain is a decentralized country in which the 17 regions have much of the competences, responsibilities and decision-making powers since 1978. As a result, current AKIS have significant differences between them in terms of typology and number of actors, as well as the linkages between them.

Advisory service provision

The organizations that provide advisory services to farmers and foresters are very wide. From public organizations such as institutions of the central and regional government, in addition to national and regional public or private research and tech centers, as well as farmers professional organizations, agri-food cooperatives and industries, input and services companies, NGOs.



- AKIS diagram:

