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## What is PPILOW about?

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# The PPILOW project

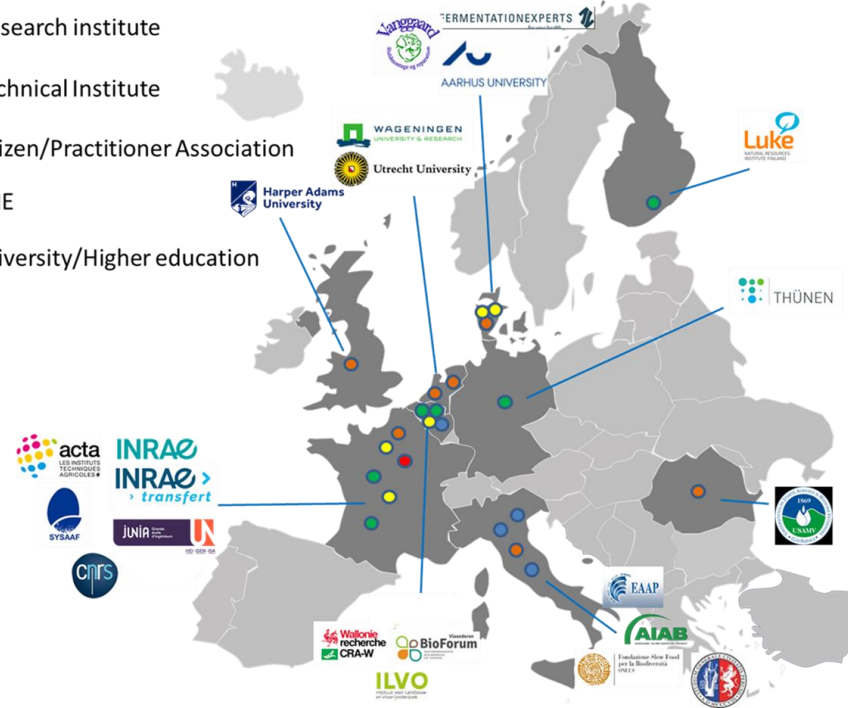
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22 PPILOW Partners in 9 countries

9 National Practitioner Groups (NPG)

- Research institute
- Technical Institute
- Citizen/Practitioner Association
- SME
- University/Higher education



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## PPILOW Involvement of National Practitioner Groups Innovative breeding and rearing strategies



*Favouring positive behaviours, improving health and robustness*

*Avoiding piglet castration, beak trimming, the elimination of layer male chicks*



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**How will the project contribute to improving the assessment of farm animal welfare in the EU and the information provided to consumers?**

# The PPILOW contribution

## PPILOW partners:

ILVO, ACTA(ITAVI, IFIP), UU, INRAE, AU, Thuenen, UNIPG, CRAW, BioForum, JUNIA

Two applications for on farm welfare self-assessment  
**PIGLOW** and **EBENE**®

Templates for collecting experimental and farm data and grid for multicriteria One Welfare\* evaluations

Hierarchy of indicators with practitioners and civil society

SUSTAINABILITY PILLAR	ONE WELFARE DIMENSIONS
Animal Welfare (4)	Good Feeding
	Good Environment (Housing)
	Good Health
	Appropriate Behaviour
Environment (3)	Enhance biodiversity
	Reduce pollution (soil, air, water)
	Minimize external resources used
Economy (4)	Performance - quantity
	Performance - quality
	Returns
	Costs
Society (4)	Working conditions
	Job perception and motivation
	Connection with local community
	Social Acceptability

*Use of the PIGLOW and EBENE welfare self-assessment applications*

Longitudinal study on the use of PIGLOW and EBENE apps for welfare self-assessment



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\*García Pinillos et al., Vet Rec, 2016 doi: 10.1136/vr.i5470



# The PPILOW contribution

## Characterization of range use by slow-growing broiler strains with RFID

Synthetic indicators from continuous and individual position data within a flock  
Heritability from a pedigree flock to identify useful indicators of range use for breeding



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*Improved range use in accordance with the expectations of practitioners and consumers*

## Contribution to the improvement of pig welfare

- Strategies to prevent undesired behaviours in non-castrated male pigs and to avoid boar-taint in the end-product

*Genetics and enrichment*

- Plants with antiparasitic and antibacterial potentials



Figure 3. Plants with antiparasitic potential: a) *Centaurium officinale*, b) *Salvia nemorosa* L., c) *Camphorosma officinale*, d) *Urtica dioica*, e) *Urtica dioica*, f) *Urtica dioica*.

- Improvement of piglet survival and sow welfare in organic farms by genetic selection and the co-design of farrowing huts with practitioners



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