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1 Update of the process of implementation of the Case Studies

The evaluation of the first round of case studies of the 1st JPA was done by ExCom as part of the M18 ENDURE Internal Review of all sub-activities. It was concluded that the Case Studies were producing the expected outputs but due to initial delays many of the final outputs of the case studies were delayed.

Around M6 ExCom decided that each Case Study should produce at least one guide summarizing best practices and major results of the case studies. This idea was received very positively by all case study leaders and a number of guides are now available in English. Some of the guides or a summary of the guide are currently being translated into other languages, i.e. the outcomes of the case studies are currently being made available to a broader origins. Hence, it is too early to predict the impact of the case studies on farming practices in the ENDURE partner countries as this will depend on how well the information is taken up by advisors, teachers etc. but the interest in the outcomes of the case studies has been encouraging. Another important long term output of the case studies is that new networks of researchers have been established (most notable for wheat and pomefruit) and these networks are continuing their collaboration in other ENDURE activities.

2 Concerning the case studies implemented as part of the 2nd JPA the status is as follows:

The final configuration of the case studies of the 2nd JPA was finalized in M21.

Maize case study: The case study has been configured and the first meeting was held in spring. The case study leader originally appointed by ExCom has left her position and been replaced by a colleague from AGROS.

Oilseed rape & grapevine case studies: These two case studies were not initiated. The Case Study on oilseed rape was omitted instead oilseed rape is covered by the arable system Case Study.

Banana Case Study: The case study has been configured and the first meeting was held in the spring.