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70 ha. Grassland with 15 ha Meadow bird protection

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Umbrella organization of 40 Cooperatives



Long-term perspective





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■ Cooperative: "Group of Farmers"

Farmland bird protection

Landscape maintenance

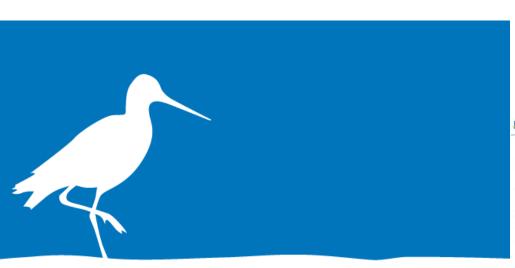


■ 11,000 farmers, 100,000 hectares





Specific approach: 40 agricultural collectives, together covering the complete country



AES 2016-2018: About the approach



26 ANV Lopikerwaard

27 Rijn & Gouwe Wiericke

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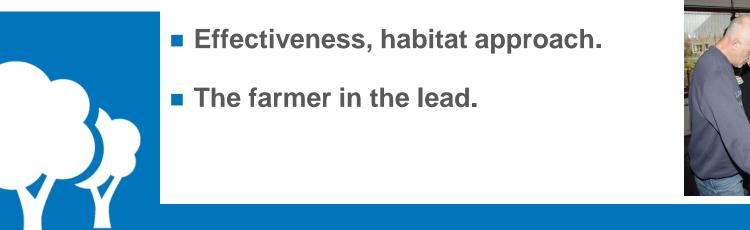
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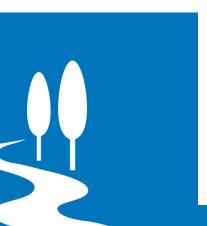
- System Change in Agri-Environmental schemes.
- From Farm approach to Habitat approach.
- Strong roll for cooperatives.
- Shift of responsibilities.
- Efficiency: from 13,000 contracts to 40!



What is being achieved?



- Regional authorities have granted subsidies;
- The groups of farmers have built their organisation and strengthened their professionality, including ICT;
- A knowledge-network is developed;



- Monitoring protocols are developed in cooperation with environmental NGO's;
- Control and sanctioning protocols by management authority <u>and</u> groups of farmers themselves.



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New challenges

- In addition to landscape, biodiversity and nature
- Climate solutions.
- **Environment, for example nitrogen.**
- Water quality and quantity.







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- Focus on goals instead of measures.
- The goals must be integral.
- Solutions only work if they are area-specific
- Set goals at the farm level.
- Let the farmer be an entrepreneur.
- Critical performance indicators.
- Multiple forms of rewards.
- We cannot do this alone









Thank You.



