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ENASP President Martin Empl: We are future-proof!

The insured from the ENASP network's organisations in France, Finland, Austria, Poland and Germany are already facing a number of developments and challenges. For this reason, the European Network of Agricultural Social Protection Systems (ENASP) focused on the topic "Future Farming – Future Social Protection" at this year's conference in Berlin on September 25.

The topic was examined from different angles, starting with contributions on the challenges and strategies of the respective ENASP members CCMSA (France), KRUS (Poland), MELA (Finland), SVS (Austria) and SVLFG (Germany). They illustrated the situation: Not only structural and climate change, but also social, societal, economic and legal influences determine the future.

In the further course of the event, excellent speakers also contributed to the conference topic. In addition to their specific professional expertise, these speakers also have a general knowledge of social, legal and economic contexts in agriculture, forestry and horticulture.

Demands, challenges and solutions - A look into the future

The conference participants were given a specific insight into the demands on farm managers in transition, as well as general information on future proofing social protection systems in Europe and developments with regard to self-employed workers. Nudging models in prevention from Austria were presented and the methodology of establishing such new services was explained.

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Furthermore the question of how chronic diseases will keep on impacting all lines of social protection from today to the future and how social security systems can respond to it was addressed. The link between occupational safety, animal welfare, climate protection, working time requirements and profitability was bridged vividly and directly from practice by showing how contemporary stable construction could connect and solve these issues. Finally, the financial aspects of social security were also highlighted by showing how the accident figures in prevention are developing and thus how the investment in prevention is also worthwhile from an economic point of view.

View of the future sharpened

This interdisciplinary content of the conference sharpened the view of the future and enabled to initiate new approaches and solutions. ENASP President Martin Empl emphasised: "We are also future-proof because we know and meet the very specific needs of people in rural areas. Our core concerns – health and safety for people in the green sector – are ensured through a sustainable, practical and effective range of services, which are continuously evaluated and further developed.

More about the ENASP conference

The ENASP conference takes place once a year and focuses each time on a different topic around agriculture in Europe. The topics of the conference quite deliberately go beyond the classic area of responsibility of a social insurance. This "thinking outside the box" and "illuminating the background" are decisive for a holistic classification and assessment of the topic. In addition to members, speakers from around the world are invited to share their knowledge and perspectives.

Next year, the network celebrates its 20th anniversary. We look forward to honouring this at next year's conference, which will take place on **15.10.2024**.

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