

HNV-Link Thematic Network

High Nature Value Farming: Learning, Innovation and Knowledge

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Learning Area Sítio de Monfurado, Portugal

MONTADO INTEGRATED MANAGEMENT

Coordinator / Partners: Universidade de Évora Instituto de Ciências Agrária e Ambientais Mediterrânicas





The message

Innovation has good conditions to emerge when different knowledge, perspectives and skills are combined in a process where actors involved feel empowered.

Researchers took the lead as initiators of the innovation process, but the resultbased program for the Montado has, stepby-step, been appropriated by farmers and administration.

Competitive research funding is a supporting mechanism, but long term investment is a precondition for the co-construction of a resultbased program for the Montado.

The Sítio de Monfurado portrait



The Montado is a human shaped ecosystem with an open tree cover mostly composed of Quercus rotundifolia and Q. suber. The trees, pasture and livestock embody a unique silvopatoral ecosystem.

Methodological multiactor approach

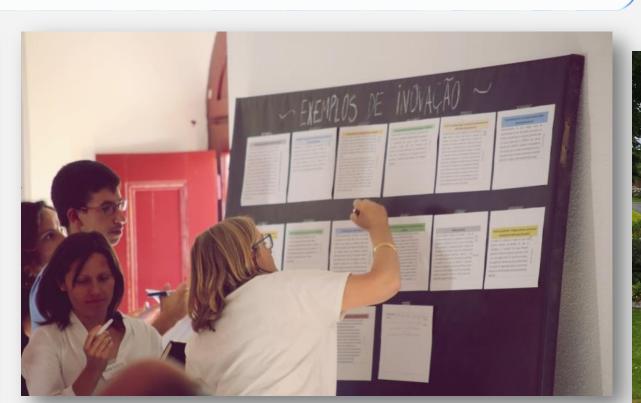


Vision

Innovations

Learning

- Analysis of the present situation
- Understanding the evolution of the socio-ecological system
- Identification of direct and indirect factors of change
- Building an HNV vision for the Montado with stakeholders
- Collection of informations from previous projects
- Interviews and workshops with different actors
- Detection of local innovation strategies market, technical, regulatory and organizational
- Detection of barriers and difficulties and innovation gaps
- Cross-visits; Regional meetings
- Promotion of exchanges and adoption of innovative practices



Overcoming challenges

Low soil fertility

oak trees

Undifferentiated products

Resistance to multifunctionality

Low regeneration: Lack

of new

Dominant regime: productivism and specialization

Lack of investment on new management practices

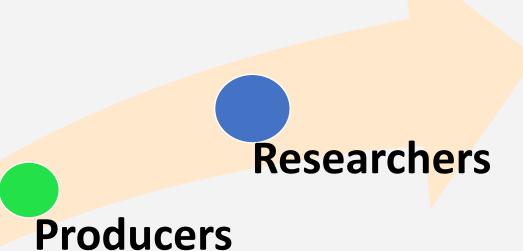




Priority innovation gaps identified

HNV-Link and the UEvora initiative Tertulia do Montado, established the frame for the co-construction process.

Innovation gaps	Possible approach
1. Soil management to restore and gain fertility	Training and capacity building Agronomic advise
2. Promotion of oak recruitment protection of regeneration	Use of tree protectors
3. Promotion of the unique HNV Montado system and its products	Create a territorial and/or an HNV Montado brand
	Results-based Agri-



environmental schemes



Administration

- Resilience of the Montado : Regeneration of trees
- Conservation of Mediterranean biodiverse pastures
- Conservation of a healthy and functional soil
- Preservation of habitats with conservation interest



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