

## Contract Innovation Lab Oost-Groningen, Netherlands

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### Region

This CIL focuses on the region of Oost Groningen, which is dominated by arable land. The landscape is characterized by wide open spaces. Historically it is a habitat for ground breeding birds. The objectives of regional land-owners (farmers, landscape/nature organizations) sometimes vary.

### Targeted Agri-Environmental/Climate Issues

Broadly speaking, the targeted issue is the decline of biodiversity. Popular measures support the lifecycle of birds. However, these measures are often also beneficial to water quality and invite the reduction of pesticides.

### Contract Innovation Lab Objectives

Just like in the rest of the Netherlands, agri-environmental (AE) measures for biodiversity are carried out through a collective approach. The collective approach facilitates a landscape scale angle of agri-environmental measures, because groups of farmers coordinate their measures together. This leads to the creation of so-called 'mozaïques' of measures with the goal of sustaining the native flora and fauna populations.



This CIL aims at refining collective contracts for arable land (such as flowerstrips) and to improve the coordination of agri-environmental measures implemented by different actors in the area.

## Type of Contracts

The Oost Groningen CIL will focus on improving **collaborative approaches**.

## Stakeholder Organisations Involved

Farmers, collectives, academics and NGOs.

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