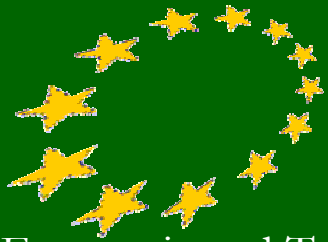




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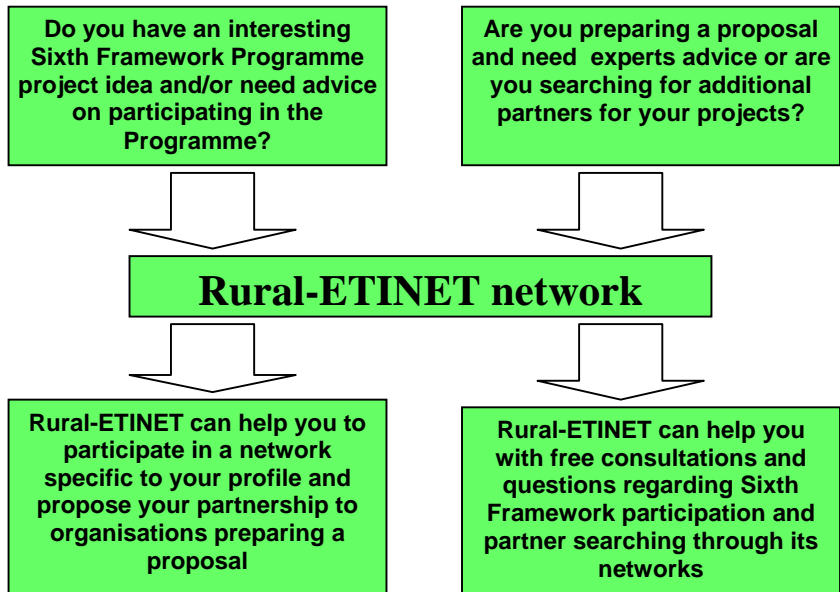
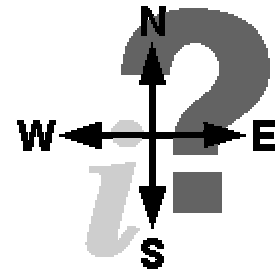
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Are you a Small or Medium Enterprise (SME) or research organisation working in the field of:

- On-farm processing
- Forestry/wood chain
- Eco-systems
- Waste management
- Novel crops



Rural-ETINET is a three-year Economic and Technological Intelligence (ETI) project co-funded by the European Commission, with the aim to set up and manage a network comprised of a series of thematic sub-networks of SMEs, with SME representatives and organisations that work with SME businesses in rural areas. Network members are encouraged and assisted to participate in larger scale projects, in Thematic Priority 5 'Food Quality and Safety', 6 'Sustainable Development and Global Change' and 8 'Policy Orientated Research'. Network members can also get assistance to set up smaller scale projects amongst themselves.



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The objective of ETI projects is to identify SME needs and to anticipate market and technological trends.

ETI actions have three main goals:

- To promote innovation in SMEs.
- To compile, analyse and disseminate information on science and technological developments, applications and markets.
- To identify and disseminate best practice.

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