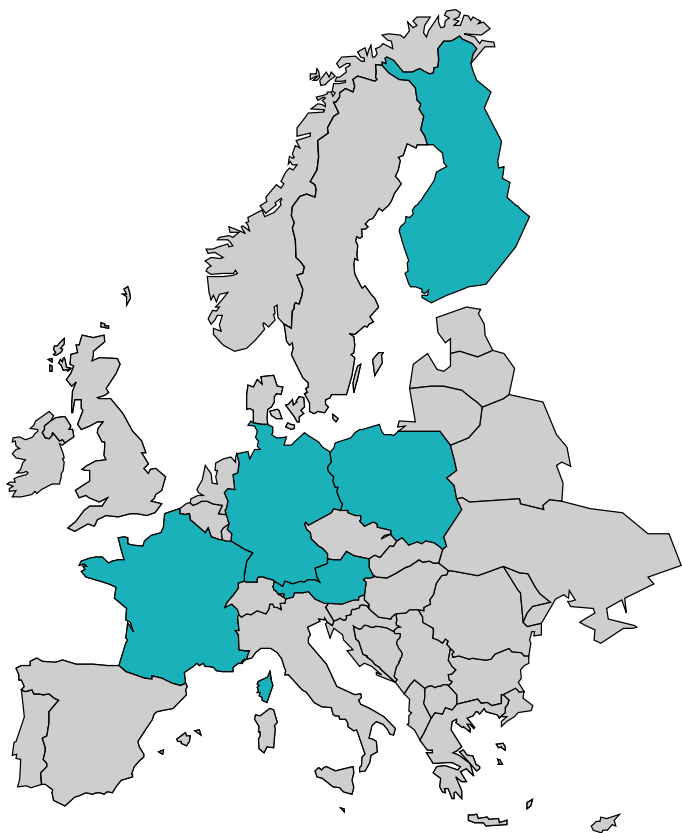


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European Network of Agricultural Social Protection Systems



The social protection



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In Europe, rural populations have specific needs: the nature of the economic activities, agriculture's restructurings, the central place of agricultural families.... Five countries (Austria, Finland, France, Germany and Poland) have agricultural social protection bodies to meet these needs. These organizations cover the entire field of social security: health, retirement, accidents at work and occupational diseases, family and/or services. Grouped together in the European Network of Agricultural Social Protection Systems (Enasp), they represent more than **11 200 000** beneficiaries and **47,4 billion euros** of social benefits paid per year. Their actions are based on a dense territorial network in order to act as close as possible to the population. Combining national guidelines and taking into account local contexts, their ambition is to know how to constantly adapt to rural changes, while remaining faithful to their values: equity, quality, social justice, autonomy, social democracy and defense of agricultural employment.

for rural populations

Austria: SVS

- **Historical updating:** Since 01.01.2020, the SVS, newly formed from the merger of SVB with SVA, covers the social insurance for accidents at work and occupational diseases, pensions, health and family of all self-employed persons in Austria, including farmers.
- **Creation:** 1st January 2020.
- **Statute:** Independent organisation of public state.
- **Structure:** 1 Central Fund at the national level



- **Supervisory ministries:** Federal Ministry of Labour, Social Affairs, Health, Care and Consumer Protection ; Federal Ministry of Finance.



- **People covered:** self-employed persons everywhere in Austria: trade professionals, farmers, new self-employed persons and freelancers
- **Risks covered:** health, pensions, accidents at work and occupational diseases, family.



- **Total number of insured persons as a whole: 1 325 000.**
- **Out of them, number of insured persons in the agricultural sector: 350 000.**
- **Amounts of benefits paid for agriculture: 3.8 billion €.**

Finland: Mela

- **Creation:** 1969.
- **Statute:** Independent public organisation.
- **Structure:** 1 Central Fund at the national level / 33 field agents and about 100 office points at the local level.



- **Supervisory ministries:** Ministry of Finance, Ministry of Social Affairs and Health, Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry



- **People covered:** independent farmers, reindeer breeders, fishermen & forest owners, as well as their dependants. Since 2009, artists and researchers working through grants or scholarships are also covered. Their family members are personally insured.
- **Risks covered:** pensions, accidents and occupational diseases, family, short-time sickness.



- **Total number of insured persons: 175 000** of at least one benefit.
- **Amounts of benefits paid: 1.1 billion €.**

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France: MSA

- **Creation:** 1945.
- **Statute:** Professional agricultural organisation under private law, which manages a public service mission.
- **Structure:** 1 Central Fund at the national level/35 departmental or multi-departmental funds and the IT Structure iMSA.



- **Supervisory ministries:** Ministry of Agriculture, Agri-Food and Food Sovereignty; Ministry of Economy, Finance and Industrial, Energy and Digital Sovereignty; Ministry of Health, Families, Autonomy and People with Disabilities.



- **People covered:** independent farmers, labour providers, agricultural employees (of farms, companies, cooperatives and professional agricultural organizations), as well as their dependants.

- **Risks covered:** health, pensions, accidents at work and occupational diseases, family.



- **Total number of insured persons:** **over 5 million** of at least one benefit (2024).

- **Amounts of benefits paid:** **29 billion €** (14,3 billion for independent farmers and labour providers and 14,7 billion for agricultural employees).

Germany: SVLFG

- **Creation:** of the accident insurance system in 1886 / of the pension system in 1957 / of the health system in 1972.
- **Statute:** Independent organisation of public state.
- **Structure:** 1 Central Fund at the national level.



- **Supervisory ministries:** Federal Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs (BMAS) and Federal Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Regional Identity (BMLFH).



- **People covered:** independent farmers as well as their dependants. Agricultural employees and seasonal workers are covered only for accidents at work and occupational diseases.

- **Risks covered:** health, pensions, accidents at work and occupational diseases, dependency.



- **Total number of insured persons:** **3 104 000** of at least one benefit (2024).

- **Amounts of benefits paid:** **7,9 billion €.**



Poland: KRUS

- **Creation:** 1990.
- **Statute:** Public institution
- **Structure:** 1 Central Fund / 16 regional branches / 256 local offices.



- **Supervisory ministry:** Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development.



- **People covered:** independent farmers as well as their dependants and seasonal workers (farmers' helpers but only for accidents at work and occupational diseases).
- **Risks covered:** pensions, accidents at work and occupational diseases, family.



- **Total number of insured persons:** **994 420** (2024).
- **Amount of benefits paid:** **over 5.6 billion €**.



To be noted that the comparison exercise between the 5 member schemes of the network has its limits due to the heterogeneity of the respective systems.

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