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**TOMRES partners start dissemination of the policy brief** to policy makers at European and national / local levels – ministries and funders

## **Policy Brief**

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Partners of the TOMRES project make the following four key recommendations to policy makers at European and national level:

- 1. Combine genetic, molecular, ecological and agronomic strategies for smart agriculture benefiting the environment as well as Food and Nutritional Security
  - Encourage contributions from plant scientists to help boosting water- and nutrient-use efficiency of agricultural crops and to improve resource stewardship for resilient production in agriculture, horticulture and forestry.
  - Encourage contributions from (plant) scientists to help improving not only the environmental footprint, but as well Food and Nutritional Security
  - Develop a food label acknowledging lower environmental footprint without reducing yield and quality
  - Engage more stakeholders in research projects through a consultative process from the start
- 2. Support new technologies adhere to international agreements by improving the legislation and supporting flagship projects utilising New Breeding Technologies
- Ensure continued open access to Digital Sequence Information (DSI) DSI must NOT be included under the Nagoya protocol which would prevent open access
- 4. Close the research and innovation cycle in pillar 2 of the Horizon Europe programme 2021-27