

SHEEPTOSHIP LIFE - Looking for an eco-sustainable sheep supply chain: environmental benefits and implications

SheepToShip LIFE would like to contribute in a practical way to EU objectives regarding the fight against climate change, serving as an initiative aimed at reducing emissions of greenhouse gases (GHG) from the dairy supply chain and sheep farming sectors in Sardinia. In particular, the main objective of the project is to reduce of 20% in 10 years the GHG emissions (N₂O, CH₄ and CO₂) from the Sardinian livestock sector and sheep industry, with an annual rate of reduction equal to about 3.5 kt CO₂-eq year⁻¹. The immediate objectives of SheepToShip LIFE are: 1) encouraging environmental improvements of production systems in the sheep sector and demonstrate the environmental, economic and social benefits deriving from eco-innovation in the dairy supply chain and sheep farming sector; 2) promoting the implementation of environmental policies and rural development guided by the *Life Cycle Thinking*, and aimed at enhancing the environmental quality of local sheep milk and cheese supply chains; 3) increasing the level of knowledge and awareness of the stakeholders and the general public on the environmental sustainability of products made from sheep milk and their role in relation to the mitigation of climate change. Therefore, SheepToShip LIFE is addressed to three main types of target groups that play an essential role in achieving the objectives and the propagation of the transforming power of the project: i) livestock farms and dairy industries based on sheep milk products; ii) public authorities of technical assistance and technical advisors of dairy industries based on sheep milk products; iii) European, national and local policy makers involved in Environment/Climate and Rural Development issues.

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