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What are the needs for education and professional training of livestock farmers and their advisors for an integrated

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Summary:

Agro-ecological transition of livestock farming systems requires strong changes in animal health management, toward more preventive approaches of livestock practices, e.g. feeding management, and less use of medical inputs for animal. These systemic changes concern farm managers but also their advisors and teachers. In this study, surveys have been made to study the particular needs of farmers and their advisors for education, both professional and academic. These surveys were realised with advisors and farmers of different educational backgrounds, from pork and dairy sector. Results of these surveys show a very small contribution of initial and academic education for useful knowledge on health management, expressed by farmers and advisors; they also show strong needs addressed toward professional training, that should combine peer exchanges of practises, practical exercises and specialized knowledge coming from animal health experts.

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