

COUNTRY BACKGROUND AND CASES (SPAIN)

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Spanish Context (National Background)

- **Strong cooperative tradition**
- **Active social dialogue with high collective bargaining coverage**
- **Advanced voluntary sustainability reporting**



COVAP–Agricultural Sustainability and Social Impact

- **Integrated cooperative governance ("360-degree" approach: farm-to-market)**
- **Pioneering environmental initiatives (methane reduction, renewable energy, zero waste)**
- **Significant territorial impact supporting 10,000+ jobs and rural populations**



COVAP– Innovations and Achievements

- **Methane-reducing feed additives and renewable energy projects (biogas, solar)**
- **Territorial and economic growth: €441m (2017) to €1,040m (2023)**
- **"Juntos en el círculo": proactive supplier sustainability programme**



COVAP– Good Practice Highlight

- **"360-degree Sustainability" approach**
 - **Methane-reducing feed additives**
 - **Renewable energy (biogas, solar)**
 - **Zero waste certified**



Cajamar – Sustainability in Financial Services

- **Social and environmental sustainability ingrained since foundation**
- **Example of cooperative integration: growth while maintaining cooperative values and operational principles**
- **Deep rural presence enhancing financial inclusion**
- **Innovative green finance solutions (eco-loans, green bonds)**



EROSKI+ Cooperative Retail Innovation

- Pioneering sustainable value chains (extensive scope and depth)
- Active member of cooperative network Mondragon, balancing growth with cooperative principles
- Democratic governance structure involving equal consumer and worker participation
- Local Supplier Support Programme: boosts regional economy and trust



Cross-Sector Lessons Learned

- **Cooperative governance enhances long-term sustainability and resilience**
- **Social dialogue is a critical driver of innovation and adaptability**
- **Active stakeholder participation crucial for effective sustainability due diligence**
- **Key sectors in polycrisis (intrinsic values and double regulation) > central role 4 cooperatives.**



Thanks!



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