Context – Lots of SPIRE projects are working on similar topics. Impact can be enhanced by planning joint activities with other projects and keeping other projects aware of plans.

With over 100 projects funded to-date in the SPIRE programme, however, it can be difficult to know who is interested in a topic (which may span several funding calls) and what activities are already at a formative stage of planning in other projects.

Sustainability assessments are generally a non-competitive component of SPIRE projects. Many projects however face similar challenges in selecting methodologies, tools and data for sustainability evaluations, so could benefit from greater cross-project collaboration to find consistent approaches to these challenges.

Through the SPRING project, SPIRE now has two network groups established on LinkedIn to encourage and enable collaboration between projects.

Recommended Actions for SPIRE Projects

Coordinators, or those aiding the overall project management of SPIRE projects can join the SPIRE Coordinators Network Group here: [https://www.linkedin.com/groups/8525162/](https://www.linkedin.com/groups/8525162/)

Within the group, please use the space for collaboration, such as informing other projects of ideas for events and stakeholder engagement (e.g. surveys).

Partners involved in sustainability evaluations can join the SPIRE Sustainability Practitioners Network Group here: [https://www.linkedin.com/groups/12143240/](https://www.linkedin.com/groups/12143240/)

For more information on Project SPRING: [www.spire2030.eu/spring](http://www.spire2030.eu/spring)