

2.4. Complementarity with other European Union instruments or ongoing projects

The working group involved in this project is also participating in the collective project 'Protection of biodiversity in Italian poultry breeds: in-depth analysis and monitoring TuBAVI-2', MIPAAFT PSRN call - Biodiversity - Sub-measure 10.2 - Poultry sector (funding allocation DM n. 0162350 of 09/04/2021), concerning Sub-measure 10.2 'Support for the sustainable conservation, use and development of genetic resources in agriculture'. The TuBAVI-2 project aims to continue the work carried out by the TuBAVI project by providing information and new tools to promote the conservation of biodiversity in Italian poultry breeds (chicken and turkey) registered in the Poultry Genealogical Book (LGA).

The activities of the TuBAVI and TuBAVI-2 projects represent a working model that is intended to be transferred to poultry genetic resources of zootechnical interest available in the Lombardy region but not included in the LGA. The Milanino chicken breed, considered in this project, is historically recognized as a typical resource of the Lombardy regional territory and has been recovered and preserved through research activities carried out at UniMI (PR-MI project, 2010; CoVAL research project no. 1723, RL 2010 call, 2012-2015). Over several years, a potentially useful population has been established for the development of high-quality zootechnical microfilaments linked to the territory, with a potential positive impact on the regional rural system.

The in-situ conservation activity proposed at the regional level in this project is consistent with and complements the activity of protecting Lombardy poultry biodiversity approved and underway at the national level.

The project is divided into two sub-projects, sub-project 1 dedicated to actions 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5, and sub-project 2 dedicated to accompanying action 2.