

# The Danish Agricultural Innovation System

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# History

Area: 76% of the country were cultivated in 1930  
62% today

Farms: appr. 200.000 farms in 1960  
appr. 11.000 full time farms today

The foundation for the structure today was made in the “cooperative period” 1830- 1900

# History

Strong farmers' associations

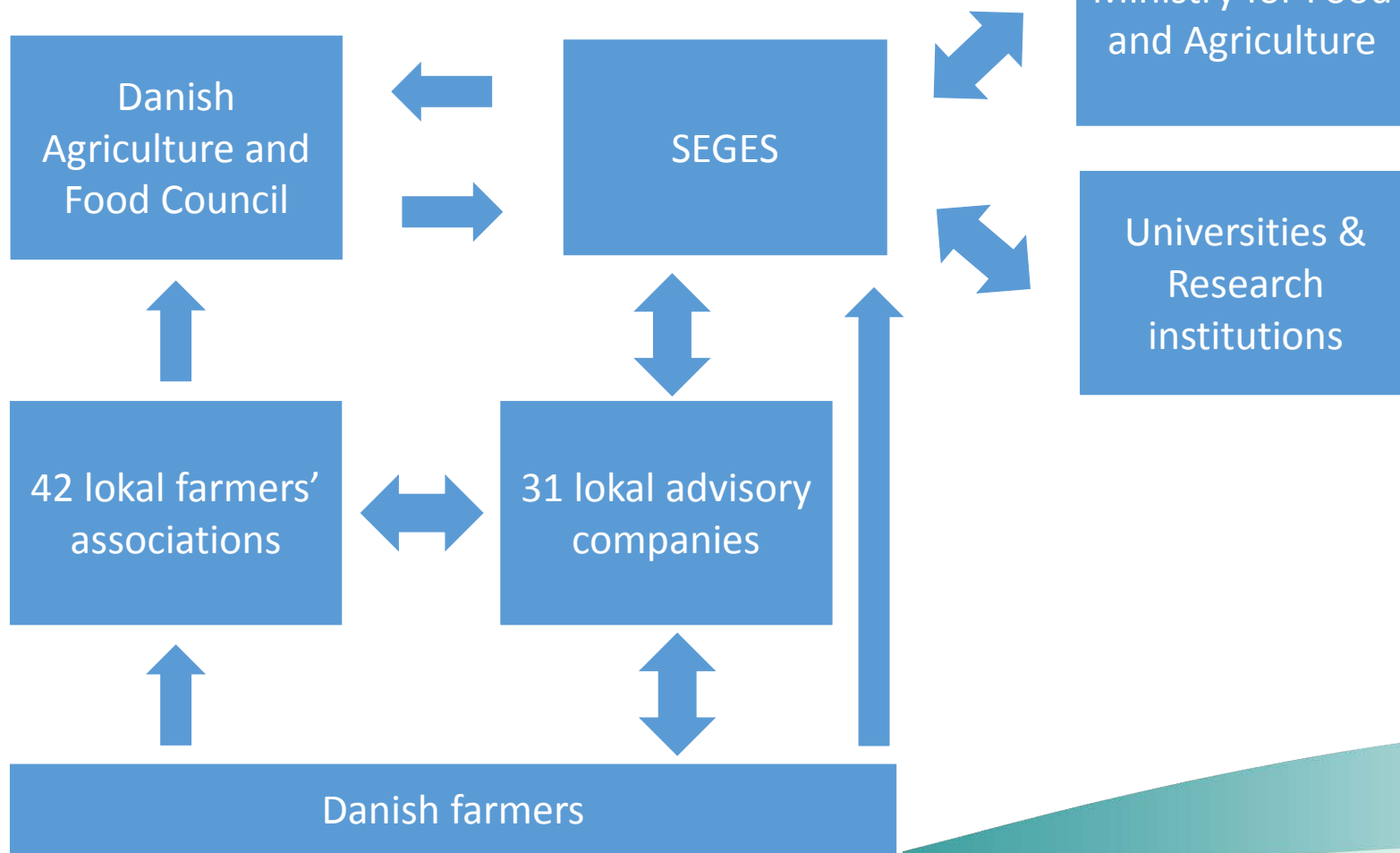
Cooperatives on everything except agricultural production

Also advisory services and other services

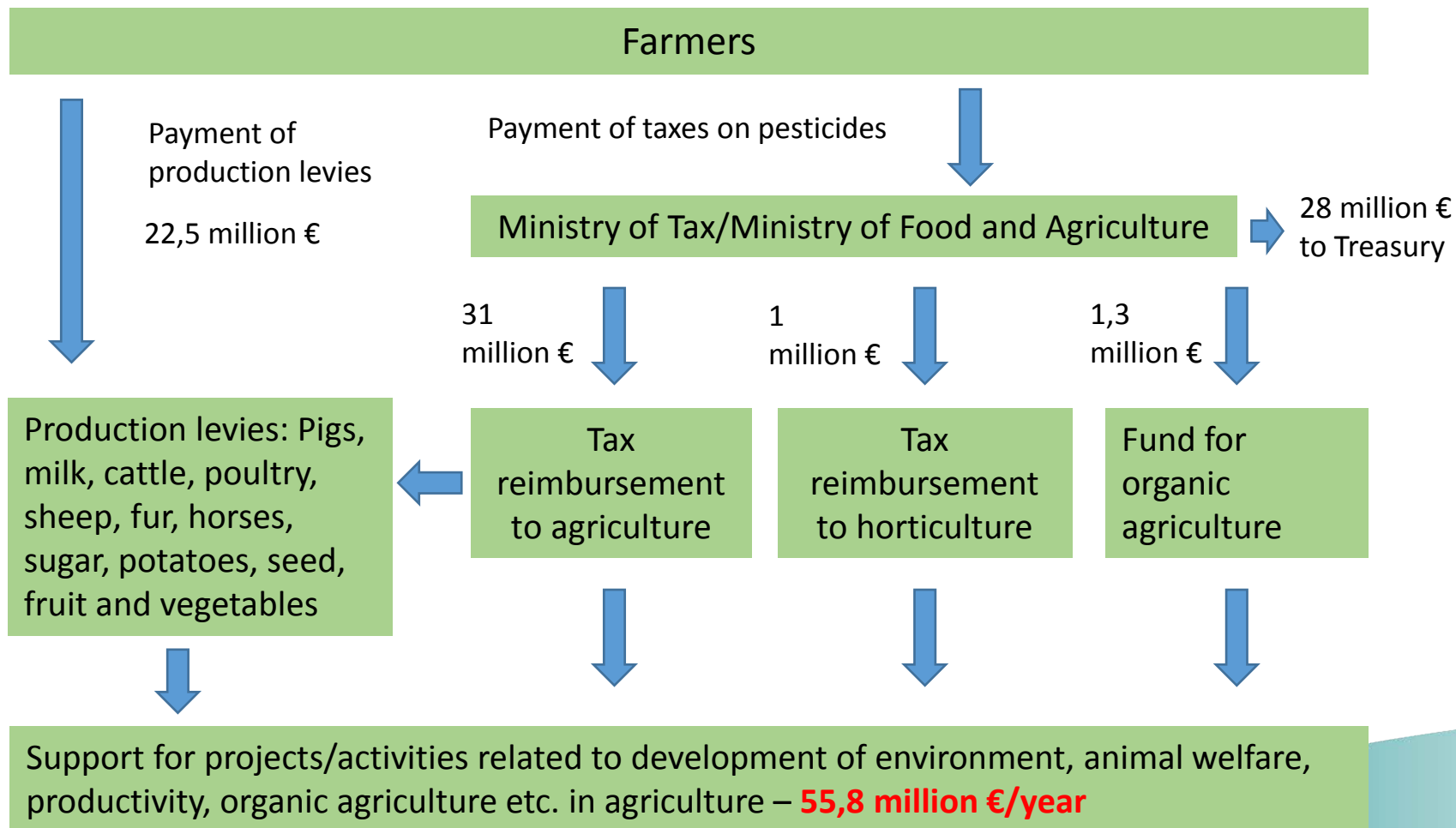
The farmer focusses on production but owns the support system:

Supply, slaughterhouses, dairies, marketing, advisory services, accounting, reporting (pesticides, fertilizers, EU support etc)

# Danish Innovation and Advisory System



# Financing for innovation and development



# Funds are used for:

- Market development – 15%.
- Research, trials and product development – 45%.
- Advisory services and education – 15%.
- Disease prevention, combating of disease and animal welfare – 15%.
- Co-financing of EU projects – 10%.

# CHALLENGE

**How to link the Danish system to EIP**  
**– not financing but knowledge sharing**  
**particularly at OG-level**