

## **AB Sustain**

AB Sustain is a division of AB Agri, the agriculture group within Associated British Foods.

AB Agri is a commercial livestock feed based business with additional business units working in more diverse areas, all within commercial agriculture.

## **Company Background**

AB Sustain is based in Gloucester and works with clients to design, develop and deliver sustainable agricultural supply chain solutions. The business works with retailers and brand owners focusing on brand protection and differentiating sustainability projects and programmes. AB Sustain has specialists in supply chain management, greenhouse gas modelling, biodiversity and animal welfare. AB Sustain takes responsibility for monitoring and inspecting client suppliers to ensure that clients entire supply chain is conforming to the prescribed standards for food provenance and ethics. The business has experience working with international suppliers and has been involved in training programs for competent authority enforcement.

## **What we Offer**

A key part of this business has involved collecting significant amounts of business intelligence and sustainability data on UK farms of all sizes over a period of 5 years. This data is organised and held in a way that is easily available. The business also has models for UK and international on farm sustainability.

1. Species and farm numbers we have data for : dairy (400), beef (750), sheep (800), pork (30), broiler (125), egg (100), wheat (25). Some for potatoes (30). Numbers approximate.
2. In most cases these are the same farms year on year.
3. Data and methodology certified by The Carbon Trust.

AB Agri and indeed AB Sustain has not previously applied for any EU funding program and we believe our involvement should be as a consultant to full application partners for the purposes of this particular challenge.

## **Our Interests**

**SFS-01c-2015: Assessing sustainability of terrestrial livestock production**

**SFS-18-2015: Small farms but global markets: the role of small and family farms in food and nutrition security**

AB Sustain is confident that our current data set spanning 5 years would be applicable to these calls. Any group looking to complete this work proposal could use our data sets to give a comprehensive analysis of UK dairy, beef, sheep, pig and poultry farming from a methodology, sustainability and performance perspective. We anticipate that this data would be supplied on a fee for service basis with some practical assistance from our team in the analysis and understanding of the data.

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