

Weeds and Biodiversity

Which focus for future research?










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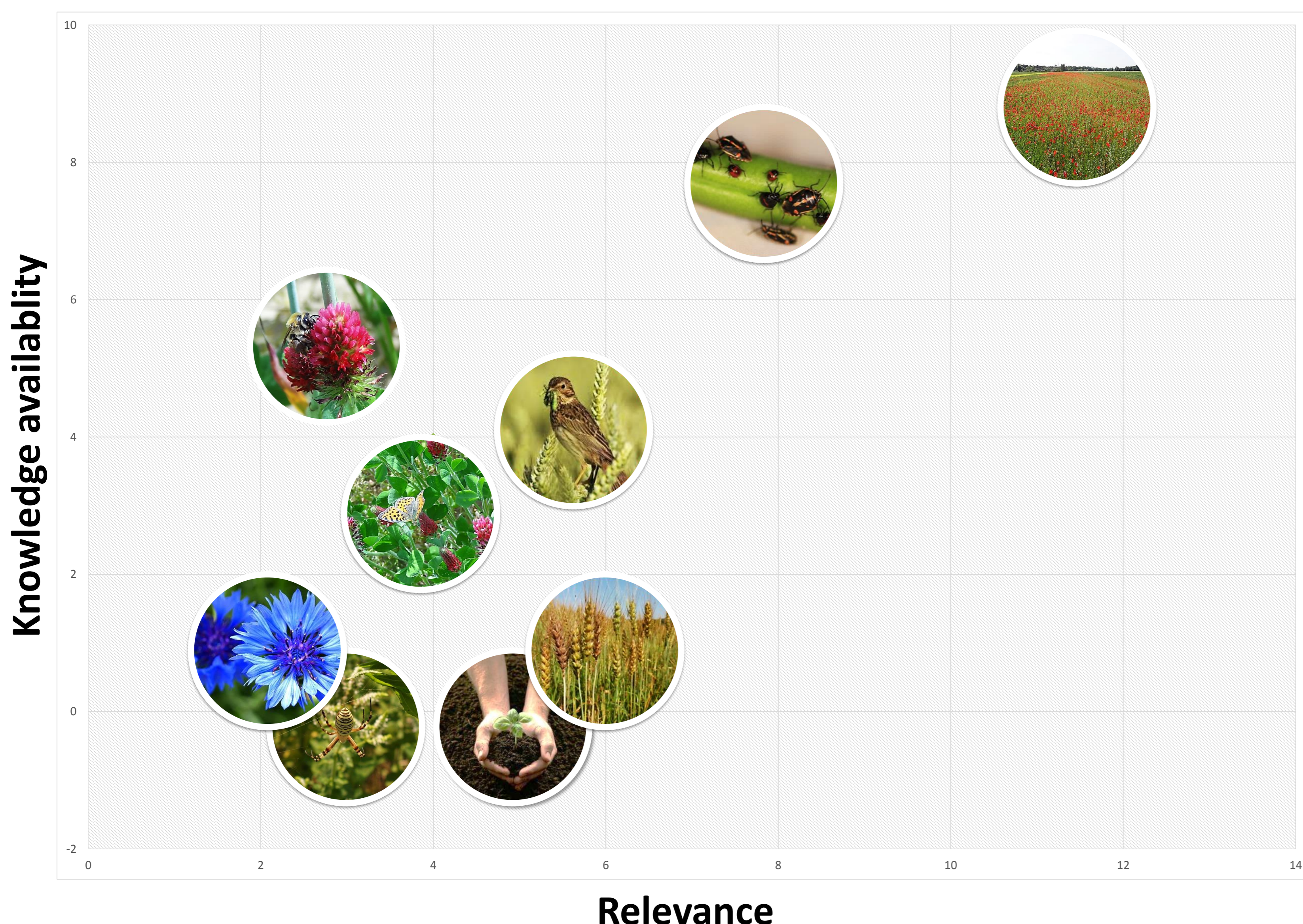
Introduction

During the 5th meeting of the EWRS Working Group Weeds and Biodiversity potential ecosystem services of weeds and weed community diversity were identified. A score for *relevance* and *available knowledge* was given for each ecosystem service. Analysis of this information can help to identify hotspots for future research



Results

	Soil quality		Reduce risk of dominance		Hosting beneficial organisms
	Crop pollination		Habitat provisioning		Food chain
	Trap plant		Genebank for breeding		Aesthetics



Conclusion

According to our exercise of brainstorming:

- The perceived knowledge increases with the perceived relevance
- The quantification of knowledge should be validated by a literature review
- Ecosystem services with limited evidence should be the focus of future research