

# Teagasc grass, clover and herb breeding Pasture Inn





## New collaborative forage breeding programme by Teagasc and Goldcrop

- ✓ Combining the breeding expertise of Teagasc and variety commercialisation expertise of Goldcrop
- New collaboration will accelerate variety development and release

## Why new varieties and species needed?

- New farm regulations & management practices
- Climate change
- New pests & diseases
- Improve farm profitability & sustainability

### Irish bred for Irish farms

- > Multispecies breeding approach to increase farm profitability & sustainability
- Breeding perennial ryegrass, white clover, red clover, chicory & plantain

### Forthcoming varieties

- BANDON → Highest late diploid perennial ryegrass PPI @ €216
- ✓ CLODAGH → Highest yielding white clover in UK
- → First ever Irish bred red clover FEARGA
- CHICORY
- PLANTAIN
- → Bred for persistency under Irish grazing systems

