



# **IOBC-IBMA-PAN- Greenpeace Symposium on "Feeding Europe with fewer pesticides"**

## **Sustainable Use of Pesticides: state of play and future challenges**

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## SUSTAINABLE USE DIRECTIVE in a Nutshell

Reducing risks  
and impacts of the  
use of pesticides  
on human health  
And on the  
environment

Promoting  
The use of Integrated  
Pest Management and  
The use of alternative  
techniques

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**Training**

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**Sales**

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**Awareness raising**

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**Equipment**

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**Aerial spraying**

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**Aquatic  
environment**

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**Protected areas**

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**Handling, storage,  
disposal**

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**IPM**

**NATIONAL  
ACTION  
PLANS**



## National action plans

- Quantitative objectives, targets, measures and timetables
  - to reduce risks and impacts of pesticides uses and
  - to encourage development of IPM and alternative techniques
  - to reduce dependency on the use of pesticides
- Indicators to monitor the use of active substances of particular concern
- Description of implementing measures pursuant to Article 5 to 15 of the Directive

# Sustainable Use Directive

## Legal aspects

- → **Framework Directive : subsidiarity !**
- **Transposition of SUD**
  - Transposition date : 26 November 2011
  - Delay: only 8 MS in due time ☹
  - Today: completed by 27 Member States
  - One Infringement on-going
- **Submission of National Action Plan**
  - Submission date: 26 November 2012
  - Delay: only 10 MS in due time ☹
  - Today: All NAPs submitted by end of 2013



## Follow up on NAPs

- FVO analyses of NAPs
- Exchange of information and discussion with MS delegates - September 2014
- COM Report to European Parliament and Council by 26 Nov 2014
  - on the information communicated by MS in relation to NAPs
  - on methods used and
  - implications concerning the establishment of different targets to reduce the risks and use of pesticides
- NAP are not to be approved by Commission!

## Integrated Pest Management (IPM)

- **IPM ≠ no pesticides**
- **IPM = low pesticides input *management - pests and diseases kept at levels which are economically and ecologically justifiable - healthy crops with least possible disruption to agro-ecosystems***
  - Member States had to report by 30 June 2013
  - Already NAP should describe
    - MS ensure that the general principles of IPM are implemented and
    - Followed by all professional users as of 1 Jan 2014

## Follow up on implementation of IPM

- Submission of **IPM reports/replies to SANCO questionnaire**: 30 June 2013 – delay ! ☹
- March 2014 : **28** Member States submitted (of them 8 did not use questionnaire)
- May 2014 workshop on IPM with MS delegates and concerned DGs
- Reports /questionnaires soon to be published on SANCO webpage

## Future actions on NAPs and IPM in short term

- COM report to the EP and Council on NAPs
- To share the pool of good practices identified and support Member States in reviewing their NAPs
- To strengthen actions to promote participation of all stakeholders
- To proceed with BTSF projects ongoing
- To follow up through FVO Audits programme 2015-2016





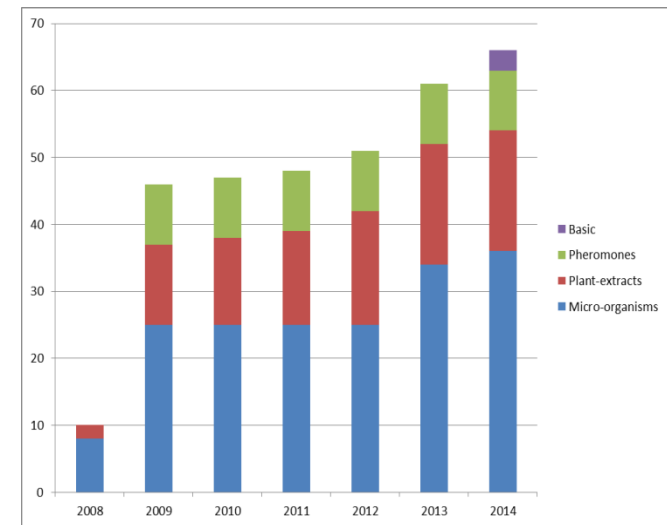
## Future actions on NAPs and IPM

- To develop common harmonised indicators to measure achievements of objectives
- COM Report to EU Parliament and Council on experience gained by MS on implementation of national targets by 26/11/2018



## Moving forward for sustainable use in SANCO

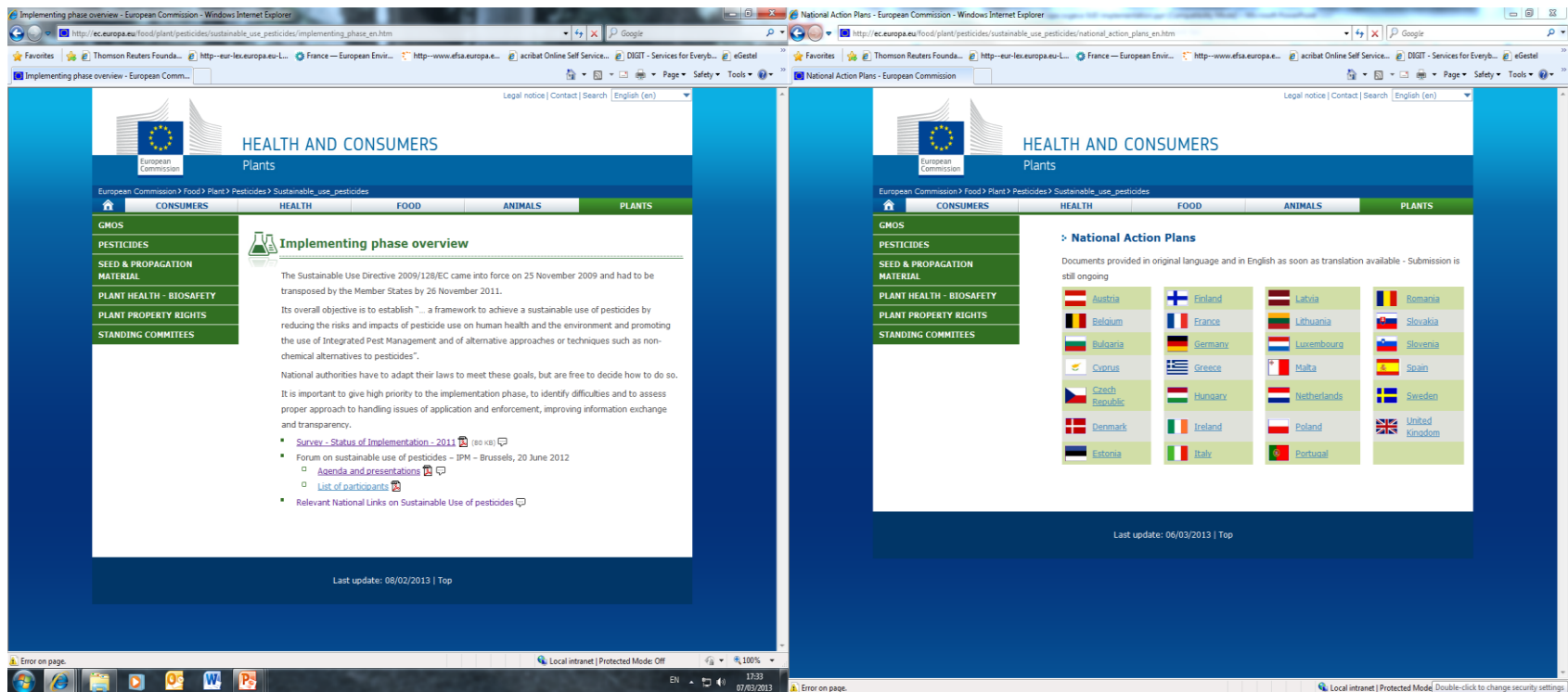
- Implementation of provisions for the approval of plant protection products
  - *Establishing criteria for endocrine disruptors*
  - *Identifying candidates for substitution*
  - *Progress on low risk active substances and basic substances*
- Revision of legislation on reproductive Material
  - Sustainable Value for Cultivation and Use



**THANK YOU for your attention!**

For update information our website :

**[http://ec.europa.eu/food/plant/pesticides/sustainable\\_use\\_pesticides/index\\_en.htm](http://ec.europa.eu/food/plant/pesticides/sustainable_use_pesticides/index_en.htm)**



The image displays two side-by-side screenshots of the European Commission website, specifically the 'HEALTH AND CONSUMERS' section under 'Plants'. The left screenshot shows the 'Implementing phase overview' page, which details the Sustainable Use Directive 2009/128/EC and its implementation goals. The right screenshot shows the 'National Action Plans' page, which lists the countries that have submitted plans. Both pages include a sidebar with navigation links and a footer with the last update date of 06/03/2013.

**Implementing phase overview**

The Sustainable Use Directive 2009/128/EC came into force on 25 November 2009 and had to be transposed by the Member States by 26 November 2011.

Its overall objective is to establish "... a framework to achieve a sustainable use of pesticides by reducing the risks and impacts of pesticide use on human health and the environment and promoting the use of Integrated Pest Management and of alternative approaches or techniques such as non-chemical alternatives to pesticides".

National authorities have to adapt their laws to meet these goals, but are free to decide how to do so. It is important to give high priority to the implementation phase, to identify difficulties and to assess proper approach to handling issues of application and enforcement, improving information exchange and transparency.

- Survey - Status of Implementation - 2011 (80 KB)
- Forum on sustainable use of pesticides - IPM - Brussels, 20 June 2012
  - Agenda and presentations
  - List of participants
- Relevant National Links on Sustainable Use of pesticides

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**National Action Plans**

Documents provided in original language and in English as soon as translation available - Submission is still ongoing

Austria	Finland	Latvia	Romania
Belgium	France	Lithuania	Slovakia
Bulgaria	Germany	Luxembourg	Slovenia
Cyprus	Greece	Malta	Spain
Czech Republic	Hungary	Netherlands	Sweden
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