

Pesticides and the CAP

Current policy and proposal for post 2020

PAN Seminar on pesticides and biodiversity loss

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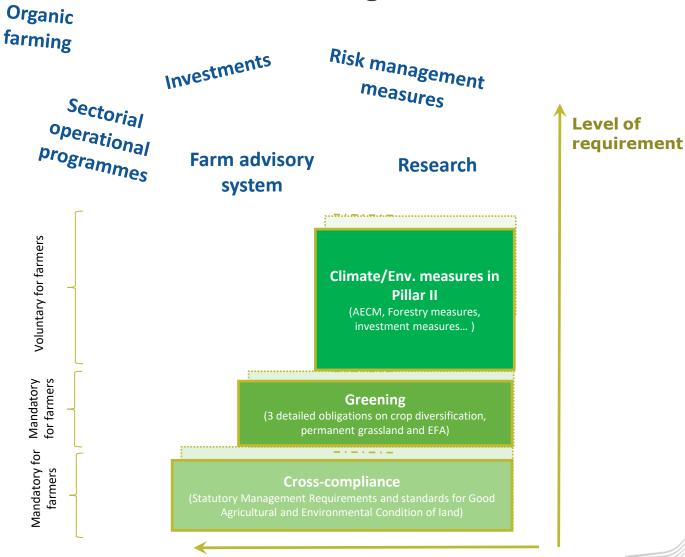
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• What is done in the current CAP?



The current green architecture



Area covered



Cross compliance

Statutory Management requirements (SMR):

- SMR 4: Food Law
- SMR 10: Regulation on pesticides

<u>Good Agricultural and Environmental Condition</u> (GAEC):

- GAEC 1: Buffer strips along water courses
- GAEC 3: Protection of groundwater



Greening

Crop diversification

Ecological Focus Area:

Since 2018, ban of pesticides on productive areas

Protection of permanent pastures



Agri-environmental and climate measures

- Plant protection products use: use of certified seeds, integrated control of weeds, pest control
- Crop rotation: crop rotation plans
- Many measures of input reduction are part of more general measures of integrated farming (fruits and vegetable, vines and olive are the main crops concerned)
- Organic farming!
- Etc.



Sectorial Operational Programmes

- In the Fruits and Vegetable sector, Integrated Pest Management is part of <u>National</u> <u>Environmental Framework under Operational</u> <u>Programmes</u>
- In the period 2010-2017, environmental actions represented 17% of OP expenditure



Farm Advisory System

Requirements under cross-compliance, land management for eligibility, greening and rural development



Requirements under the Water Framework Directive

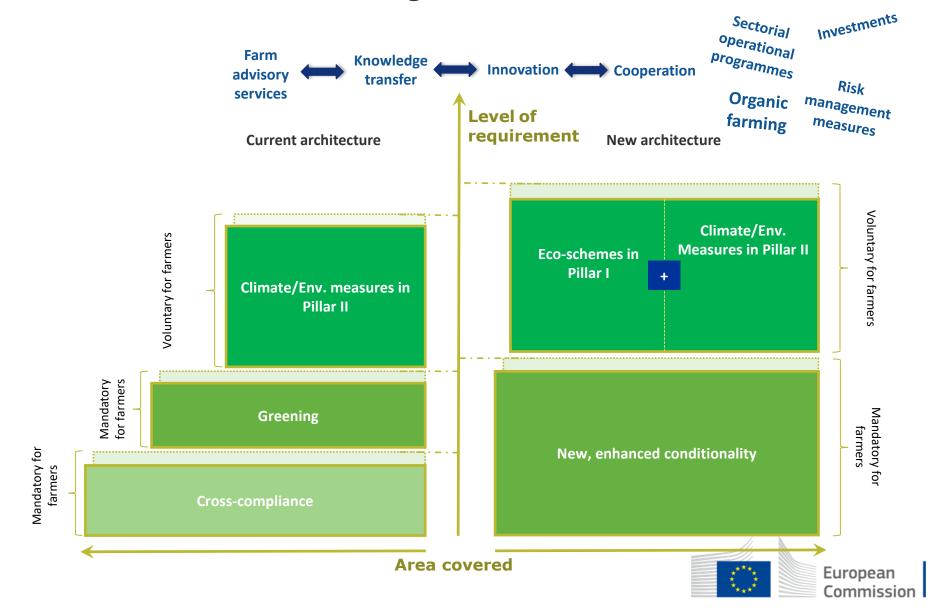
Requirements under the Directive for the sustainable use of pesticides, including Integrated Pest Management



What is proposed for the future CAP?



The new green architecture



New, enhanced conditionality

Existing standards and requirements under crosscompliance



New SMRs:

- SMR 1: Water Framework Directive
- SMR 13: Directive on Sustainable Use of Pesticides

New GAECs:

- GAEC 1: Protection of permanent grassland (ex-greening)
- GAEC 2: Protection of peatland/wetland
- GAEC 5: Use of Farm Sustainability Tool for Nutrients
- GAEC 8: Crop rotation (ex-greening)
- GAEC 9: Biodiversity area (ex-greening)
- GAEC 10: Protection of environmentally sensitive permanent grassland

Eco-schemes

This is a new possibility to devote Pillar I money to schemes for the environment and climate change.

These schemes:

- Are compulsory for MSs
- Are included in Pillar I (not co-financed, annual, adressed to farmers for agricultural activity on farmland, etc.)
- Share of budget set by MSs
- Content of measures set by MSs (but consistent and complementary with other CAP measures)
- Amounts of payments set by MSs but in line with WTO Green Box)

Exemple: sustainable use of pesticides



Relevant main objectives

General objective:

(b) To bolster environmental care and climate action and to contribute to the environment- and climate-related objectives of the Union

Specific objectives:

- (e) Foster sustainable development and efficient management of natural resources such as water, soil and air
- (f) Contribute to the protection of biodiversity, enhance ecosystem services and preserve habitat and landscape

Baseline: conditionality



SMR 1: Water Framework Directive

SMR 12 and 13: Pesticides legislation

GAEC 4: Buffer strips

GAEC 8: Crop rotation (e.g. not the same crop two consecutive years on x% of the arable area)

GAEC 9: protection of landscape features and mandatory biodiversity area (%)

+ indirectly

GAEC 7: No bare soil (e.g. residues, green cover or winter crops)

GAEC 5: Farm sustainability tool for nutrients



Pilar I: Eco-schemes



- Establishment of non-productive areas on agricultural land around water courses (beyond GAEC 9)
- Diversified crops on the rotation including leguminous (beyond GAEC 8)
- Conservation agriculture: rotation, no ploughing, soil cover (beyond GAEC 7 and GAEC 8)
- Maintenance of organic farming



Pilar II: Management commitments and other payments

- Reduced or ban of use of pesticides (beyond GAEC 9)
- Use of Integrated Pest Management (beyond the SUD)
- Longer multiannual rotation and diversified crops (beyond GAEC 8 and Eco-schemes)
- Conversion to organic farming
- Payments for investments for pesticides management and localized spraying
- > Payments for training and advice



Cross-cutting: Agricultural Knowledge and Innovation System

- > Research on reducing the use of pesticides
- Advice (on proper use or no use of pesticides, etc.)
- Farmers organisations, environmental organisations, networks
- > Innovation partnerships



THANK YOU!

Further information is available at:

- https://ec.europa.eu/commission/publications/factsheets-long-term-budget-proposals_en
- http://ec.europa.eu/budget/mff/index_en.cfm
- https://ec.europa.eu/info/food-farming-fisheries/key-policies/common-agriculturalpolicy/future-common-agricultural-policy_en

