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to the Commission**

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Subject: Intensification of farming

The wide diversity of agriculture throughout the EU, particularly regarding farm size, types of farming, farming practices, output and employment, presents a challenge for European policy-makers. European policy measures should therefore differentiate between Member States, taking into account the fact that opportunities and concerns vary considerably between countries.

Does the Commission envisage any shifts from the Common Agricultural Policy (CAP) for 2021-2027 to enhanced research and development in agriculture? Is the Commission planning to invest in cutting-edge technologies for agricultural technologies such as biosensors, robotics, spectrographs and imagery?