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OPINION

of the Committee on Regional Development

for the Committee on Agriculture and Rural Development

on the proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Regulations (EU) No 1308/2013 establishing a common organisation of the markets in agricultural products, (EU) No 1151/2012 on quality schemes for agricultural products and foodstuffs, (EU) No 251/2014 on the definition, description, presentation, labelling and the protection of geographical indications of aromatised wine products, (EU) No 228/2013 laying down specific measures for agriculture in the outermost regions of the Union and (EU) No 229/2013 laying down specific measures for agriculture in favour of the smaller Aegean islands
(COM(2018)0394 – C8-0246/2018 – 2018/0218(COD))

Rapporteur for opinion: Younous Omarjee

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AMENDMENTS

The Committee on Regional Development calls on the Committee on Agriculture and Rural Development, as the committee responsible, to take into account the following amendments:

Amendment 1

Proposal for a regulation

Recital 1

Text proposed by the Commission

(1) The Communication from the Commission to the European Parliament, the Council, the European Economic and Social Committee and the Committee of the Regions entitled ‘The Future of Food and Farming’ of 29 November 2017 sets out the challenges, objectives and orientations for the future Common Agricultural Policy (CAP) after 2020. These objectives include, inter alia, the need for the CAP to be more **result-driven**, to boost modernisation and sustainability, including the economic, social, environmental and climate sustainability of the agricultural, forestry and rural areas, and to help reducing the Union legislation-related administrative burden for beneficiaries.

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Amendment 2

Proposal for a regulation

Recital 2

Text proposed by the Commission

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streamline the governance of the CAP and improve its delivery on the Union objectives and to significantly decrease the administrative burden. In the CAP based on delivery of performance ('delivery model'), the Union should set the basic policy parameters, such as objectives of the CAP and basic requirements, while Member States should bear greater responsibility as to how they meet the objectives and achieve targets. Enhanced subsidiarity makes it possible to better take into account local conditions and needs, tailoring the support to maximise the contribution to Union objectives.

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Amendment 3

Proposal for a regulation Recital 2 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(2a) In accordance with Article 208 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union (TFEU), the implementation of the CAP should be consistent with the objectives of development cooperation.

Amendment 4

Proposal for a regulation Recital 3

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(3) To ensure coherence of the CAP, all interventions of the future CAP should be part of a strategic support plan which would include certain sectoral interventions that were laid down in Regulation (EU) No 1308/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council¹⁰.

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¹⁰ Regulation (EU) No 1308/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 17 December 2013 establishing a common organisation of the markets in agricultural products and repealing Council Regulations (EEC) No 922/72, (EEC) No 234/79, (EC) No 1037/2001 and (EC) No 1234/2007 (OJ L 347, 20.12.2013, p. 671).

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Amendment 5

Proposal for a regulation Recital 24 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(24a) Member States may, on request, decide to grant more than one recognition to a producer organisation operating in several sectors, provided the organisation meets the conditions referred to in Article 154(1) of this Regulation.

Amendment 6

Proposal for a regulation Article 1 – paragraph 1 – point 3 a (new) Regulation (EU) No 1308/2013 Article 16 – paragraph 3 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(3a) In Article 16, the following paragraph is added:

3a. Member States shall publish information on the identity of companies that have used public intervention and of buyers of public intervention stock.

Amendment 7

Proposal for a regulation

Article 1 – paragraph 1 – point 6
Regulation (EU) No 1308/2013
Article 81 – paragraph 2 – point 2

Text proposed by the Commission

Member States may classify wine grape varieties **where:**

Amendment

Only wine grape varieties **meeting the following conditions may be classified by Member States:**

Amendment 8

Proposal for a regulation
Article 1 – paragraph 1 – point 6
Regulation (EU) No 1308/2013
Article 81 – paragraph 2 – point a

Text proposed by the Commission

(a) the variety concerned belongs to the species *Vitis vinifera* or ***Vitis Labrusca***; or

Amendment

(a) the variety concerned belongs to the species *Vitis vinifera* or ***comes from a cross between the species Vitis vinifera and other species of the genus Vitis***;

Justification

Vitis labrusca is a much lower quality variety than Vitis vinifera and produces grapes which have generally not been used to make wine. What is more, the introduction of new plant material may spread diseases which are more serious than those being targeted, as was the case with phylloxera, which was introduced in Europe specifically in order to make vines more resistant to cryptogamic diseases.

Amendment 9

Proposal for a regulation
Article 1 – paragraph 1 – point 6
Regulation (EU) No 1038/2013
Article 81 – paragraph 2 – point b

Text proposed by the Commission

(b) the variety **concerned comes from a cross between the species *Vitis vinifera*, *Vitis Labrusca* and other species of the genus *Vitis*.**

Amendment

(b) the variety **is not one of the following: Noah, Othello, Isabelle, Jacquez, Clinton and Herbemont.**

Justification

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Amendment 10

Proposal for a regulation

Article 1 – paragraph 1 – point 26 a (new)

Regulation (EU) No 1308/2013

Article 222 – paragraph 1 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(26a) In Article 222, the following paragraph 1a is added:

1a. The scope of agreements and decisions adopted pursuant to the previous paragraph by recognised producer organisations, their associations and recognised interbranch organisations may be extended in line with the provisions laid down in Article 164, even if those agreements do not have any of the objectives laid down in Article 164(4), and in accordance with the conditions set by the Member State concerned.

Justification

It should be possible for producer organisations, their associations and interbranch organisations to extend the scope of agreements concluded pursuant to Article 222 to cover serious crisis situations.

Amendment 11

Proposal for a regulation

Article 4 – paragraph -1 (new)

Regulation (EU) No 228/2013

Recital 20 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

The following Recital 20a is inserted:

‘(20a) The agricultural interbranch organisations recognised under Article 157 of Regulation 1308/2013 establishing a common organisation of the markets for agricultural products are operators which play a vital role in the development of diversified agricultural sectors in the outermost regions, in particular in the livestock sectors. Given their very small size and their island location, local markets in the outermost regions are particularly vulnerable to price fluctuations linked to import flows from the rest of the EU or third countries. Agricultural interbranch organisations bring together all operators active on the market at every stage. On that basis, they take collective measures, in particular to compile data and disseminate information, designed to ensure that local crops remain competitive on the market in question. With that aim in view, and Articles 28, 29 and 110 TFEU notwithstanding, the scope of interbranch agreements and the arrangements for paying contributions to interbranch organisations under such agreements may be extended by the Member State concerned to cover all agricultural products placed on the local market, irrespective of their origin, including in cases where the proceeds of these contributions fund measures to promote only local production or where the contributions are levied at a different stage in the marketing process.’

(<https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/HTML/?uri=CELEX:32013R0228&from=EN>)

Amendment 12

Proposal for a regulation

Article 4 – paragraph -1 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

The following Article 22a is inserted:

‘Article 22a

Interbranch agreements

1. A Member State may, after consulting the relevant stakeholders, extend the scope of an interbranch agreement and decide that all individual economic operators and groups of operators active on the market of an outermost region shall be required to pay the financial contributions specified in that agreement, provided that:

- the interbranch agreement has been adopted by an agricultural interbranch organisation which is recognised under Article 157 of Regulation 1308/2013 establishing a common organisation of the markets in agricultural products and which operates in an outermost region, and

- the interbranch agreement concerns an agricultural product intended solely for the local market in that outermost region. The financial contributions shall be used to cover costs linked to the implementation of the activities referred to in the interbranch agreement, including those intended to promote local production only.

2. The extension of the scope of the agreement shall apply for a period of one year, which may be renewed.

3. The Member State concerned shall inform the Commission of any agreement whose scope is extended in accordance with this article.’

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Amendment 13

Proposal for a regulation

Article 4 – paragraph 1

Regulation (EU) No 228/2013

Article 30 – paragraph 2 – indent 1

Text proposed by the Commission

– in the French overseas departments:
EUR **267 580 000**

Amendment

– in the French overseas departments:
EUR **278 410 000**

Amendment 14

Proposal for a regulation

Article 4 – paragraph 1

Regulation (EU) No 228/2013

Article 30 – paragraph 2 – indent 2

Text proposed by the Commission

– Azores and Madeira: EUR **102 080 000**

Amendment

– Azores and Madeira: EUR **106 210 000**

Amendment 15

Proposal for a regulation

Article 4 – paragraph 1

Regulation (EU) No 228/2013

Article 30 – paragraph 2 – indent 3

Text proposed by the Commission

– Canary Islands: EUR **257 970 000**

Amendment

– Canary Islands: EUR **268 420 000**

Amendment 16

Proposal for a regulation

Article 4 – paragraph 1

Regulation (EU) No 228/2013

Article 30 – paragraph 3 – point 1 – indent 1

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

– in the French overseas departments:
EUR **25 900 000**

– in the French overseas departments:
EUR **35 000 000**

Amendment 17

Proposal for a regulation

Article 4 – paragraph 1

Regulation (EU) No 228/2013

Article 30 – paragraph 3 – point 1 – indent 2

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

– Azores and Madeira: EUR **20 400 000**

– Azores and Madeira: EUR **21 200 000**

Amendment 18

Proposal for a regulation

Article 4 – paragraph 1

Regulation (EU) No 228/2013

Article 30 – paragraph 3 – point 1 – indent 3

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

– Canary Islands: EUR **69 900 000**

– Canary Islands: EUR **72 700 000**

Amendment 19

Proposal for a regulation

Article 4 – paragraph -1 a (new)

Regulation (EU) No 228/2013

Article 32 – paragraph 4

Present text

Amendment

4. *The Commission shall include a specific chapter in the analyses, studies*

Article 32(4) is amended as follows:

‘4. *Prior to the opening of any trade negotiation which may have implications*

and assessments *it carries out in the context of trade agreements and the common agricultural policy for any topic in which the outermost regions have a particular interest.*

for agriculture in the outermost regions, the Union shall carry out studies, analyses and assessments of the possible impact of the negotiations and adapt its negotiating mandate in order to take account of the specific constraints affecting the outermost regions and rule out any negative impact in these regions. The criteria employed by the Commission in carrying out such studies or assessments shall be those established by the UN.'

(<https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/HTML/?uri=CELEX:32013R0228&from=EN>)

Amendment 20

Proposal for a regulation

Article 5 – paragraph 1

Regulation (EU) No 229/2013

Article 18 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

2. The Union shall finance the measures provided for in Chapters III and IV up to a maximum amount of EUR **23 000 000**.

Amendment

2. The Union shall finance the measures provided for in Chapters III and IV up to a maximum amount of EUR **23 930 000**.

Justification

The amendment calls for the current envelope to be maintained.

Amendment 21

Proposal for a regulation

Article 5 – paragraph 1

Regulation (EU) No 229/2013

Article 18 – paragraph 3

Text proposed by the Commission

3. The amount allocated to finance the specific supply arrangements referred to in Chapter III shall not exceed EUR **6 830 000**.'

Amendment

3. The amount allocated to finance the specific supply arrangements referred to in Chapter III shall not exceed EUR **7 110 000**.

Justification

The amendment calls for the current envelope to be maintained.

PROCEDURE – COMMITTEE ASKED FOR OPINION

Title	Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Regulations (EU) No 1308/2013 establishing a common organisation of the markets in agricultural products, (EU) No 1151/2012 on quality schemes for agricultural products and foodstuffs, (EU) No 251/2014 on the definition, description, presentation, labelling and the protection of geographical indications of aromatised wine products, (EU) No 228/2013 laying down specific measures for agriculture in the outermost regions of the Union and (EU) No 229/2013 laying down specific measures for agriculture in favour of the smaller Aegean islands
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Result of final vote	+: 30 –: 1 0: 3
Members present for the final vote	Pascal Arimont, Franc Bogovič, Rosa D’Amato, Tamás Deutsch, Aleksander Gabelic, Iratxe García Pérez, Michela Giuffrida, Krzysztof Hetman, Marc Joulaud, Sławomir Kłosowski, Constanze Krehl, Louis-Joseph Manscour, Martina Michels, Iskra Mihaylova, Andrey Novakov, Younous Omarjee, Konstantinos Papadakis, Mirosław Piotrowski, Stanislav Polčák, Liliana Rodrigues, Fernando Ruas, Monika Smolková, Ruža Tomašić, Ramón Luis Valcárcel Siso, Monika Vana, Matthijs van Miltenburg, Lambert van Nistelrooij, Derek Vaughan, Kerstin Westphal, Joachim Zeller
Substitutes present for the final vote	Ivana Maletić, Bronis Ropė, Maria Gabriela Zoană, Damiano Zoffoli

FINAL VOTE BY ROLL CALL IN COMMITTEE ASKED FOR OPINION

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ALDE	Iskra Mihaylova, Matthijs van Miltenburg
EFDD	Rosa D'Amato
GUE/NGL	Martina Michels, Younous Omarjee
PPE	Pascal Arimont, Franc Bogovič, Tamás Deutsch, Krzysztof Hetman, Marc Joulaud, Ivana Maletić, Lambert van Nistelrooij, Andrey Novakov, Stanislav Polčák, Fernando Ruas, Ramón Luis Valcárcel Siso, Joachim Zeller
S&D	Aleksander Gabelic, Iratxe García Pérez, Michela Giuffrida, Constanze Krehl, Louis-Joseph Manscour, Liliana Rodrigues, Monika Smolková, Derek Vaughan, Kerstin Westphal, Maria Gabriela Zoană, Damiano Zoffoli
VERTS/ALE	Bronis Ropė, Monika Vana

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NI	Konstantinos Papadakis

3	0
ECR	Sławomir Kłosowski, Mirosław Piotrowski, Ruža Tomašić

Key:

+ : in favour

- : against

0 : abstentions