Amendment 1166  
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Report  
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Common agricultural policy - support for strategic plans to be drawn up by Member States and financed by the EAGF and by the EAFRD  

Proposal for a regulation  
Article 66 – title  

Text proposed by the Commission  
Amendment  

66 Natural or other area-specific constraints  
1. Member States may grant payments for natural or other area-specific constraints under the conditions set out in this Article and as further specified in their CAP Strategic Plans with the view of contributing to the achievement of the specific objectives set out in Article 6(1).  

2. These payments shall be granted to genuine farmers in respect of areas designated pursuant to Article 32 of Regulation (EU) No 1305/2013.  

66 Natural or other area-specific constraints  
1. Member States may grant payments for natural or other area-specific constraints, including mountain areas and island regions under the conditions set out in this Article and as further specified in their CAP Strategic Plans with the view of contributing to the achievement of the relevant specific objectives set out in Article 6(1).  

2. These payments shall be granted to active farmers in respect of areas designated, pursuant to Article 32 of Regulation (EU) No 1305/2013, as well as areas affected by war in the Republic of Croatia.  

2 a. In the case of a legal person, or a group of natural or legal persons, Member States may apply the support at the level of the members of those legal persons or groups where national law provides for the individual members to assume rights and obligations comparable to those of individual farmers who have the status of a head of holding, in particular as regards their economic, social and tax status, provided that they have contributed to strengthening the agricultural structures of the legal persons or groups concerned.
3. Member States may only grant payments under this type of interventions in order to compensate beneficiaries for all or part of the additional costs and income foregone related to the natural or other area-specific constraints in the area concerned.

4. Additional costs and income foregone as referred to in paragraph 3 shall be calculated in respect of natural or other area-specific constraints, in comparison to areas which are not affected by natural or other area-specific constraints.

The amount of payments may be adjusted to take into account the severity of the constraints affecting the agricultural activity of the different production systems.

Member States may set a minimum payment threshold below which payments are not granted.

Payments granted may also take into account, where relevant, socio-economic and environmental criteria.

5. Payments shall be granted annually per hectare of area.
Amendment 1167
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Proposal for a regulation
Article 68 – paragraph 3 – subparagraph 1 – point f

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<td>(f) investments in irrigation which are not consistent with the achievement of good status of water bodies, as laid down in Article 4(1) of Directive 2000/60/EC, including expansion of irrigation affecting water bodies whose status has been defined as less than good in the relevant river basin management plan;</td>
<td>(f) investments in irrigation which are not consistent with the achievement and maintenance of good status of water bodies for reasons related to quantity, as laid down in Article 4(1) of Directive 2000/60/EC, unless they are compatible with the principle laid down in Article 4(7) of Directive 2000/60/EC or if an ex ante environmental analysis shows that there will be a net reduction in the water used for irrigation in that catchment area and no significant negative environmental impact from the investment.</td>
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Proposal for a regulation
Article 69 b (new)

*Text proposed by the Commission*

*Amendment*

**Article 69 b**

*Installation of digital technologies*

1. Without prejudice to Article 68 of this Regulation, Member States may grant support for the installation of digital technologies in rural areas under the conditions set out in this Article and as further specified in their CAP Strategic Plans with a view to contributing to the cross-cutting objective set out in Article 5 and to the specific objectives set out in Article 6.

2. Member States may grant support under this type of interventions to help the installation of digital technologies to support, inter alia, precision farming, Smart Villages rural enterprise as well as the development of ICT infrastructures at farm level.

3. Member States shall limit the support for the installation of digital technologies to the maximum rate of 30% of the eligible costs.
### Amendment 1169

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**Proposal for a regulation**

**Article 69 – title**

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(c) the business start-up of non-agricultural activities in rural areas being part of local development strategies.

(c) the business start-up of non-agricultural activities in rural areas being part of local development strategies, by farmers diversifying their activities, as well as micro-enterprises and natural persons in rural areas.

2 a. Member States may lay down specific provisions to ensure that young farmers and new farmers who join groups of farmers, producer organisations or cooperative structures do not lose the setting up aid. Such provision must respect the principle of proportionality and identify the participation of the young farmers and new farmers within the structure.

3. Member States shall set conditions for the submission and the content of a business plan.

4. Member States shall grant support in the form of lump sums. Support shall be limited to the maximum amount of EUR 100 000 and may be combined with financial instruments.

4 a. Support pursuant to this Article may be granted in several tranches.
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Proposal for a regulation
Article 71 – title

Text proposed by the Commission

71 Cooperation
1. Member States may grant support for cooperation under the conditions set out in this Article and as further specified in their CAP Strategic Plans to prepare and to implement Operational Group projects of the European Innovation Partnership for agricultural productivity and sustainability as referred to in Article 114 and LEADER, referred to as community-led local development in Article 25 of Regulation (EU) [CPR], and to promote quality schemes, producer organisations or producer groups or other forms of cooperation.

Amendment

71 Cooperation
1. Member States may grant support for cooperation under the conditions set out in this Article and as further specified in their CAP Strategic Plans to prepare and to implement Operational Group projects of the European Innovation Partnership for agricultural productivity and sustainability as referred to in Article 114 and LEADER, referred to as community-led local development in Article 25 of Regulation (EU) [CPR], and to promote quality schemes, producer or interbranch organisations or producer groups or other forms of cooperation including those whose products are covered by Regulation (EU) No 1151/2012.

2. Member States may only grant support under this type of interventions to promote forms of cooperation which involves at least two entities and which contributes to achieving the specific objectives set out in Article 6.

2 a. By way of derogation from paragraph 2, Member States may grant support from the EAFRD to Local Action Groups which implement a local development strategy contributing to achieving the specific objectives set out in Article 6.
3. Member States may cover under this type of interventions the costs related to all aspects of the cooperation.

4. Member States may grant the support as an overall amount covering the cost of cooperation and the cost of the projects and operations implemented or they may cover only the cost of the cooperation and use funds from other types of intervention, national or Union support instruments for project implementation.

5. Where support is paid as an overall amount, Member States shall ensure that Union rules and requirements pertaining to similar actions covered under other types of interventions are respected. This paragraph does not apply to LEADER, referred to as community-led local development in Article 25 of Regulation (EU) [CPR].

6. Member States shall not support through this type of interventions cooperation solely involving research bodies.

7. In the case of cooperation in the context of farm succession, Member States may grant support only to farmers having reached the retirement age as set under national legislation.

8. Member States shall limit support to a maximum of seven years except for collective environment and climate actions in duly justified cases to achieve the specific environmental- and climate-related objectives set out in points (d), (e) and (f) of Article 6(1).

Article 6.

3. Member States may cover under this type of interventions the costs related to all aspects of the cooperation, including certification costs relating to participation in a Union quality scheme.

4. Member States may grant the support as an overall amount covering the cost of cooperation and the cost of the projects and operations implemented or they may cover only the cost of the cooperation and use funds from other types of intervention, national or Union support instruments for project implementation.

The Member States may grant support intended to encourage quality schemes, producer organisations or producer groups or other forms of cooperation.

5. Where support is paid as an overall amount, Member States shall ensure that Union rules and requirements pertaining to similar actions covered under other types of interventions are respected. This paragraph does not apply to LEADER, referred to as community-led local development in Article 25 of Regulation (EU) [CPR].

6. Member States shall not support through this type of interventions cooperation solely involving research bodies.

7. In the case of cooperation in the context of farm succession and with the aim of supporting intergenerational renewal at farm-level, Member States may grant support only to farmers who are no more than five years away from reaching the retirement age as set under national legislation.

8. Member States shall limit support to a maximum of seven years except for collective environment and climate actions in duly justified cases to achieve the specific environmental- and climate-related objectives set out in points (d), (e) and (f) of Article 6(1).
8 a. Local Action Groups may request the payment of an advance from the competent paying agency if such possibility is provided for in the strategic plan. The amount of the advances shall not exceed 50% of the public support for the running and animation costs.

8 b. Support for quality schemes for agricultural products and food stuffs, including actions for information and promotion, and the aid for setting up producer groups and organisations shall be limited to the maximum amount laid down in Annex IXb.
**Amendment 1171**

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**Proposal for a regulation**

**Article 72 – title**

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2. Under this type of interventions Member States may cover costs of any relevant action to promote innovation, access to training and advice and exchange and dissemination of knowledge and information which contribute to achieving the specific objectives set out in Article 6.

Member States shall limit the support to a maximum of 75% of the eligible costs.

By way of derogation from the first subparagraph, in the case of setting-up of farm advisory services, Member States may grant support in the form of a fixed amount of maximum EUR 200 000.

4. **By way of derogation from paragraph 3, in outermost regions and other duly justified cases Member States may apply a higher rate or a higher**

Member States may provide support for up to a maximum of 75 % of the eligible costs

By way of derogation from the first subparagraph, in the case of setting-up of farm advisory services, Member States may grant support in the form of a fixed amount of EUR 200 000.
amount than that set in in that paragraph to achieve the specific objectives set out in Article 6.

5. In the case of support to the setting-up of farm advisory services, Member States shall ensure that the support is limited in time.

6. Member States shall ensure that actions supported under this type of interventions be based on and be consistent with the description of the AKIS provided in the CAP Strategic Plan in accordance with point (i) of Article 102(a).

6 a. Support under this Article shall not include courses of instruction or training which form part of statutory normal education programmes or systems at secondary or higher levels.

6 b. Bodies providing knowledge transfer and information services shall have the appropriate capacities in the form of staff qualifications and training to carry out this task.

Or. en
Amendment 1172

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Proposal for a regulation

Article 72 b (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

Article 72 b

Measures in favour of rural gender equality

1. Member States [may/shall] adopt specific actions focused on promoting a greater inclusion of women in the rural economy, through interventions in line with the current regulation with the aim of contributing to the objectives referred to in Article 6(1).

2. Member States may, in their CAP Strategic Plans, grant support to promote the involvement of women, inter alia, in knowledge transfer and information actions, advisory services, investments in physical assets, farm and rural business start-up and development, installation of digital technologies and co-operation.
Amendment 1173
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Proposal for a regulation
Article 73 – paragraph 5

Text proposed by the Commission

5. Operations shall not be selected for support where they have been physically completed or fully implemented before the application for funding under the CAP Strategic Plan is submitted to the Managing Authority, irrespective of whether all related payments have been made.

Amendment

5. Operations shall not be selected for support where they have been physically completed or fully implemented before the application for funding under the CAP Strategic Plan is submitted to the Managing Authority, irrespective of whether all related payments have been made.

By way of derogation from paragraph 5 operations relating to early tending of seeding stands and tending of young stands with ecological, protective and recreational objectives can be selected for support where they had been physically completed before the application for funding is submitted to authority.

Such operations are not required or are deemed to have an incentive effect, if

(i) the aid scheme establishes a right to aid in accordance with objective criteria and without further exercise of discretion by the Member State; a condition for granting the aid is that the budget available for the aid scheme is not exhausted;

(ii) the aid scheme has been adopted and in force before eligible costs are incurred by the beneficiary;

(iii) the aid scheme only covers such sites where new forest has been established according to the national legislation and...
the establishment has been notified to the competent authority; and

(iv) the aid scheme only covers such measures that are based on forest management plan or equivalent.
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Proposal for a regulation
Article 88 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

1. Member States shall set out, in their CAP Strategic Plan, an indicative financial allocation for each intervention. For each intervention, the multiplication of the planned unit amount, without the application of the percentage of variation referred to in Article 89, and the planned outputs, shall equal this indicative financial allocation.

Amendment

1. Member States shall set out, in their CAP Strategic Plan, an indicative financial allocation for each intervention and for each year. This indicative financial allocation shall equal the product of the multiplication of the planned unit amount, without the application of the variation referred to in Article 89, by the planned outputs corresponding to the expected level of payments for the intervention in the relevant financial year.

Or. en
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Proposal for a regulation
Article 88 – paragraph 1 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

1 a. The planned unit amounts referred to in paragraph 1 shall be uniform or average, as determined by Member States.

Amendment

Or. en