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on the proposal for a regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council establishing rules on support for strategic plans to be drawn up by Member States under the Common agricultural policy (CAP Strategic Plans) and financed by the European Agricultural Guarantee Fund (EAGF) and by the European Agricultural Fund for Rural Development (EAFRD) and repealing Regulation (EU) No 1305/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council and Regulation (EU) No 1307/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council
(COM(2018)0392 – C8-0248/2018 – 2018/0216(COD))

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Symbols for procedures

- * Consultation procedure
- *** Consent procedure
- ***I Ordinary legislative procedure (first reading)
- ***II Ordinary legislative procedure (second reading)
- ***III Ordinary legislative procedure (third reading)

(The type of procedure depends on the legal basis proposed by the draft act.)

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DRAFT EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION

**on the Proposal for a regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council establishing rules on support for strategic plans to be drawn up by Member States under the Common agricultural policy (CAP Strategic Plans) and financed by the European Agricultural Guarantee Fund (EAGF) and by the European Agricultural Fund for Rural Development (EAFRD) and repealing Regulation (EU) No 1305/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council and Regulation (EU) No 1307/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council
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(Ordinary legislative procedure: first reading)

The European Parliament,

- having regard to the Commission proposal to Parliament and the Council (COM(2018)0392),
- having regard to Article 294(2) and Articles 42 and 43(2) of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union, pursuant to which the Commission submitted the proposal to Parliament (C8-0248/2018),
- having regard to Article 13 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union,
- having regard to Article 294(3) of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union,
- having regard to the 1979 Act of Accession, and in particular paragraph 6 of Protocol No 4 on cotton attached thereto,
- having regard to the reasoned opinion submitted, within the framework of Protocol No 2 on the application of the principles of subsidiarity and proportionality, by the French National Assembly, asserting that the draft legislative act does not comply with the principle of subsidiarity (PE627.925 – 24/40/2018),
- having regard to the opinion of the European Economic and Social Committee of 17 October 2018¹,
- having regard to the opinion of the Committee of the Regions of 6 December 2018²,
- having regard to the opinion of the Court of Auditors of 25 October 2018³,
- having regard to Rule 59 of its Rules of Procedure,
- having regard to the report of the Committee on Agriculture and Rural Development and also the opinions of the Committee on the Environment, Public Health and Food Safety, the Committee on Development, the Committee on Budgets, the Committee on

¹ Not yet published in the Official Journal.

² Not yet published in the Official Journal.

³ OJ C 41, 1.2.2019, p1.

Budgetary Control, the Committee on Regional Development and the Committee on Women's Rights and Gender Equality (A8-0200/2019),

1. Adopts its position at first reading hereinafter set out;
2. Calls on the Commission to refer the matter to Parliament again if it replaces, substantially amends or intends to substantially amend its proposal;
3. Instructs its Presidents to forward its position to the Council, the Commission and the national parliaments;

Amendment 1

Proposal for a regulation Recital 1 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(1a) The CAP continues to play a key role in the development of the Union's rural areas. It is therefore necessary to attempt to slow down the gradual abandonment of agricultural activity by keeping a CAP that is strong, with adequate resources, to mitigate the depopulation of rural areas and to continue meeting consumer expectations in terms of the environment, food safety and animal welfare. In view of the challenges faced by Union producers in responding to new regulatory requirements and a higher level of environmental ambition, against a background of price volatility and Union borders that are more open to imports from third countries, the CAP budget should be kept at least at the same level as during the 2014-2020 period.

Amendment 2

Proposal for a regulation Recital 1 b (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(1b) In order to address the global dimension and implications of the CAP, the Commission should ensure coherence and continuity with the other Union external policies and instruments, in particular in development cooperation and trade. The Union's commitment to policy coherence for development requires the taking into account of development objectives and principles when designing policies.

Amendment 3

Proposal for a regulation

Recital 2

Text proposed by the Commission

(2) Since the CAP needs to sharpen its responses to the challenges and opportunities as they manifest themselves at Union, international, national, regional, local and farm levels, it is necessary to 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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(2) Since the CAP needs to sharpen its responses to the challenges and opportunities as they manifest themselves at Union, international, national, regional, local and farm levels, it is necessary to streamline the governance of the CAP and improve its delivery on the Union objectives and to significantly decrease the administrative burden, ***in particular to the final beneficiaries***. 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, ***whilst ensuring policy certainly and financial security for the sector***. Enhanced subsidiarity makes it possible to better take into account local conditions and needs, tailoring the support to maximise the contribution to Union objectives. ***Nevertheless, in order to ensure that such subsidiarity does not represent into a "renationalisation" of the CAP, this Regulation should include a strong body of European Union provisions designed to prevent the distortion of competition and***

to ensure non-discriminatory treatment for all Union farmers throughout the territory of the Union.

Amendment 4

Proposal for a regulation Recital 3

Text proposed by the Commission

(3) *The use of common definitions entirely set at Union level has caused certain difficulties for Member States to cater their own specificities at national, regional, and local level.* Member States should *therefore* be given the flexibility to specify certain definitions in their CAP Strategic Plan. In order to ensure a common level playing field, a certain framework has, however, to be set at Union level constituting the necessary *essential* elements to be included in those definitions ('framework definitions').

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Amendment 5

Proposal for a regulation Recital 4

Text proposed by the Commission

(4) In order to ensure that the Union can respect its international obligations on domestic support as set out in the WTO Agreement on Agriculture, and in particular that the basic income support for sustainability and related types of interventions continue to be notified as 'Green Box' support which has no, or at most minimal, trade-distorting effects or effects on production, the framework definition for 'agricultural activity' should provide for both the production of agricultural products or the maintenance of

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the agricultural area. In light of adjusting to local conditions, Member States should lay down the **actual** definition of agricultural activity in their CAP Strategic Plans.

the agricultural area. In light of adjusting to local conditions, Member States should lay down the definition of agricultural activity in their CAP Strategic Plans, ***complying with the common elements of the Union framework definition.***

Amendment 6

Proposal for a regulation Recital 5

Text proposed by the Commission

(5) In order to retain the essential Union-wide elements to ensure comparability between Member State decisions, without however limiting Member States in reaching Union objectives, a framework definition for ‘agricultural area’ should be set out. The related framework definitions for ‘arable land’, ‘permanent crops’ and ‘permanent grassland’ should be set out in a broad way to allow Member States to further specify definitions according to their local conditions. The framework definition for ‘arable land’ should be laid down in a way that allows Member States to cover different production forms, including system such as agroforestry and arable areas with shrubs and trees and that requires the inclusion of fallow land areas in order to ensure the decoupled nature of the interventions. The framework definition of ‘permanent crops’ should include both areas actually used for production and not, as well as nurseries and short rotation coppice to be defined by Member States. The framework definition of ‘permanent grassland’ should be set in a way that allows Member States to specify further criteria and allows them to include species other than grasses or other herbaceous forage that can be grazed or that may produce animal feed, whether used for actual production or not.

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(5) In order to retain **common** essential Union-wide elements to ensure comparability between Member State decisions ***and equal treatment between Union farmers***, without however limiting Member States in reaching Union objectives, a framework definition for ‘agricultural area’ should be set out. The related framework definitions for ‘arable land’, ‘permanent crops’ and ‘permanent grassland’ should be set out in a broad way to allow Member States to further specify definitions according to their local conditions ***and traditional practices***. The framework definition for ‘arable land’ should be laid down in a way that allows Member States to cover different production forms, including system such as agroforestry and arable areas with shrubs and trees and that requires the inclusion of fallow land areas in order to ensure the decoupled nature of the interventions. The framework definition of ‘permanent crops’ should include both areas actually used for production and not, as well as nurseries and short rotation coppice to be defined by Member States. The framework definition of ‘permanent grassland’ should be set in a way that allows Member States to specify further criteria and allows them to include species other than grasses or other herbaceous forage that can be grazed, ***whether exclusively or not***, or that may produce animal feed, whether used for

actual production or not.

Amendment 7

Proposal for a regulation Recital 5 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(5a) The focus in the future of farming should be on producing high-quality food, as that is where the Union's competitive advantage lies. Union standards should be maintained and strengthened where feasible, and measures should be provided for to further increase the long-term productivity and competitiveness of the food production sector, and to introduce new technologies and a more efficient use of resources, thereby strengthening the Union's role as a world leader.

Amendment 8

Proposal for a regulation Recital 8

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(8) As regards the areas used for the production of hemp, in order to preserve public health and to ensure the coherence with other bodies of legislation, the use of hemp seeds varieties with tetrahydrocannabinol content below **0.2%** should be part of the definition of eligible hectare.

(8) As regards the areas used for the production of hemp, in order to preserve public health and to ensure the coherence with other bodies of legislation, the use of hemp seeds varieties with tetrahydrocannabinol content below **0,3 %** should be part of the definition of eligible hectare.

Amendment 9

Proposal for a regulation Recital 9

(9) In view of further improving the performance of the CAP, income support should be targeted to ***genuine*** farmers. In order to ensure a common approach at Union level for such a targeting of support, a framework definition for ‘***genuine*** farmer’ displaying the ***essential*** elements should be set out. ***On the basis of this framework, Member States should define in their CAP Strategic Plans which farmers are not considered genuine farmers based on conditions such as income tests, labour inputs on the farm, company object and inclusion in registers. It should also not result in precluding*** support to pluri-active farmers, who are actively farming but who are also engaged in non-agricultural activities outside their farm, as their multiple activities often strengthen the socio-economic fabric of rural areas.

(9) In view of further improving the performance of the CAP, income support should be targeted to ***active*** farmers. In order to ensure a common approach at Union level for such a targeting of support, a framework definition for ‘***active*** farmer’ displaying the ***common*** elements should be set out. Support to pluri-active farmers, who are actively farming but who are also engaged in non-agricultural activities outside their farm, ***should not be precluded***, as their multiple activities often strengthen the socio-economic fabric of rural areas. ***The framework definition should, in any event, help to preserve the model of family farming that exists in the Union.***

Amendment 10

Proposal for a regulation Recital 9 a (new)

(9a) Equality between women and men is a core principle of the Union and gender mainstreaming is an important tool in the integration of that principle into to the CAP. There should therefore be a particular focus on promoting the participation of women in the socio-economic development of rural areas. The size of female-operated farms tends to be smaller and the work performed by women, as farmers’ spouse, is not always recognised and visible, which has an impact on their economic independence. This Regulation should help to ensure that the work that women do is more

visible, better appreciated and taken into account within the specific objectives to be proposed by the Member States in their strategic plans. Gender equality as well as non-discrimination principles should be an integral part of the preparation, implementation and evaluation of CAP interventions. Member States shall also strengthen their capacity in gender mainstreaming and in the collection of sex-disaggregated data.

Amendment 11

Proposal for a regulation Recital 10

Text proposed by the Commission

(10) In order to ensure consistency between the direct payments types of interventions and rural development types of interventions when addressing the objective of generational renewal, a framework definition for ‘young farmer’ with *the essential* elements should be set out at Union level.

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Amendment 12

Proposal for a regulation Recital 10 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(10a) In order to ensure consistency between the direct payments types of interventions and rural development types of interventions when addressing the objective of facilitating business development in rural areas, a framework definition for ‘new farmer’ with common elements should be set out at Union level.

Amendment 13

Proposal for a regulation

Recital 11

Text proposed by the Commission

(11) In order to ***give substance to*** the objectives of the CAP as established by Article 39 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union (TFEU), as well as to ensure that the Union adequately addresses its most recent challenges, it is appropriate to provide for a set of general objectives reflecting the orientations given in the Communication on ‘The Future of Food and Farming’. A set of specific objectives should be further defined at Union level and ***applied*** by the Member States in their CAP Strategic Plans. While striking a balance across the dimensions of sustainable development, in line with the impact assessment, these specific objectives should translate the general objectives of the CAP into more concrete priorities ***and take into account relevant Union legislation, particularly with regard to climate, energy and environment.***

Amendment

(11) In order to ***pursue*** the objectives of the CAP as established by Article 39 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union (TFEU), as well as to ensure that the Union adequately addresses its most recent challenges, it is appropriate to provide for a set of general objectives reflecting the orientations given in the Communication on ‘The Future of Food and Farming’. A set of specific objectives should be further defined at Union level and ***pursued*** by the Member States in their CAP Strategic Plans. While striking a balance across the dimensions of sustainable development, in line with the impact assessment, these specific objectives should translate the general objectives of the CAP into more concrete priorities ***in the economic, environmental and social spheres.***

Amendment 14

Proposal for a regulation

Recital 13

Text proposed by the Commission

(13) While under the CAP delivery model the Union should set the Union objectives and define the types of interventions as well as the ***basic*** Union requirements applicable to Member States, the latter should be in charge of translating that Union framework into support arrangements applicable to beneficiaries. In that context, Member States should act in line with the Charter of Fundamental Rights, general principles of Union law and ensure that the legal framework for the

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granting of Union support to beneficiaries be based on their CAP Strategic plans and be in line with the principles and requirements set out under this Regulation and the [Horizontal Regulation].

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Amendment 15

Proposal for a regulation Recital 13 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(13a) The cross-cutting principles set out in Article 3 of the Treaty on European Union (TEU) and in Article 10 TFEU, including the principles of subsidiarity and proportionality as set out in Article 5 TEU, should be observed when implementing the CAP Strategic Plans. Member States and the Commission should also comply with the obligations of the UN Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities and ensure accessibility in line with Article 9 thereof and in accordance with the Union law harmonising accessibility requirements for products and services. Member States and the Commission should seek to eliminate inequalities and promote equality between men and women and gender mainstreaming, as well as to combat discrimination based on sex, racial or ethnic origin, religion or belief, disability, age, or sexual orientation. The European Agricultural Guarantee Fund (EAGF) and the European Agricultural Fund for Rural Development (EAFRD) should not support actions that contribute to any form of segregation, discrimination, or exclusion. The objectives of these funds should be pursued from the perspective of sustainable development and in line with the aim, promoted under the Aarhus Convention and by the Union, of

preserving, protecting, and improving the quality of the environment and combating climate change, as set out in Article 11 and Article 191(1) TFEU, while applying the ‘polluter pays’ principle.

Amendment 16

Proposal for a regulation Recital 13 b (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(13b) The delivery model should not lead to a situation in which there are 27 different national agricultural policies, thus endangering the common spirit of the CAP and creating distortions. It should leave to Member States a certain degree of flexibility within a strong common regulatory framework.

Amendment 17

Proposal for a regulation Recital 15

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(15) In the context of greater market-orientation of the CAP, as outlined by the Communication on ‘The Future of Food and Farming’, market exposure, climate change and associated frequency and severity of extreme weather events, as well as sanitary and phytosanitary crises, may lead to risks of price volatility and increasing pressures on incomes. Thus, although farmers are ultimately responsible for designing their on-farm strategies, a robust framework should be set up to ensure appropriate risk management. To this aim, Member States and farmers may be able to draw on a Union-level platform on risk management for capacity-building in order to provide farmers with adequate financial instruments for investments and

(15) In the context of greater market-orientation of the CAP, as outlined by the Communication on ‘The Future of Food and Farming’, market exposure, ***trade agreements with third countries***, climate change and associated frequency and severity of extreme weather events, as well as sanitary and phytosanitary crises, may lead to risks of price volatility and increasing pressures on incomes. ***Inequalities in the food chain, mainly at the expense of the primary sector, which is the “weakest link”, also have an adverse effect on producers’ incomes.*** Thus, although farmers are ultimately responsible for designing their on-farm strategies, a robust framework should be set up to ensure appropriate risk

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Amendment 18

Proposal for a regulation

Recital 16

Text proposed by the Commission

(16) ***Bolstering*** environmental ***care and*** climate action and contributing to the achievement of Union environmental- and climate-related objectives is a very high priority in the future of Union agriculture and forestry. The architecture of the CAP should therefore reflect greater ambition with respect to these objectives. By virtue of the delivery model, action taken to tackle environmental degradation and climate change should be result-driven and Article 11 TFEU should, for this purpose, be considered as an obligation of result.

As many rural areas in the Union suffer from structural problems such as lack of attractive employment opportunities, skill shortages, underinvestment in connectivity, infrastructures and essential services, as well as youth drain, it is fundamental to strengthen the socio-economic fabric in those areas, in line with the Cork 2.0. Declaration, particularly through job creation and generational renewal, by bringing the Commission's jobs and growth to rural areas, promoting social inclusion,

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generational renewal and the development of ‘Smart Villages’ across the European countryside. As indicated in the Communication on ‘The Future of Food and Farming’, new rural value chains such as renewable energy, the emerging bio-economy, the circular economy, and ecotourism can offer good growth and job potential for rural areas. In this context, financial instruments and the use of the InvestEU guarantee can play a crucial role for ensuring access to financing and for bolstering the growth capacity of farms and enterprises. There is a potential for employment opportunities in rural areas for legally staying third country nationals, promoting their social and economic integration especially in the framework of Community-led Local Development strategies.

social inclusion, ***support for young people, greater participation by women in the rural economy*** generational renewal and the development of ‘Smart Villages’ across the European countryside. ***With a view to stabilising and diversifying the rural economy, the development, establishment and retention of non-agricultural enterprises should be supported.*** As indicated in the Communication on ‘The Future of Food and Farming’, new rural value chains such as renewable energy, the emerging bio-economy, the circular economy, and ecotourism can offer good growth and job potential for rural areas, ***while conserving natural resources.*** In this context, financial instruments can play a crucial role for ensuring access to financing and for bolstering the growth capacity of farms and enterprises. There is a potential for employment opportunities in rural areas for legally staying third country nationals, promoting their social and economic integration especially in the framework of Community-led Local Development strategies.

Amendment 19

Proposal for a regulation Recital 16 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(16a) For the socio-economic sustainability of rural areas, the Commission should check that the Member States ensure in the CAP Strategic Plan that there is coherence between the application of Directive 2010/41/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council^{1a} and the long-term approach on the use of Rural Development funds.

^{1a} Directive 2010/41/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 7 July

2010 on the application of the principle of equal treatment between men and women engaged in an activity in a self-employed capacity and repealing Council Directive 86/613/EEC (OJ L 180, 15.7.2010, p. 1).

Amendment 20

Proposal for a regulation

Recital 17

Text proposed by the Commission

(17) The CAP should keep ensuring food security, which should be understood as meaning access to sufficient, safe and nutritious food at all times. Moreover, it should help improving the response of Union agriculture to new societal demands on food and health, including sustainable agricultural production, healthier nutrition, food waste and animal welfare. The CAP should continue to promote production with specific and valuable characteristics, while at the same time helping farmers to proactively adjust their production according to market signals and consumers' demands.

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Amendment 21

Proposal for a regulation

Recital 17 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(17a) The One Health Action Plan against antimicrobial resistance considers vaccination to be a cost-effective public health intervention to combat AMR, but that the relatively higher cost of diagnosis, antimicrobial alternatives and vaccination compared with conventional antibiotics are an obstacle to increasing the

Amendment 22

Proposal for a regulation Recital 22

Text proposed by the Commission

(22) The framework of standards of GAECs aims to contribute to the mitigation and adaptation to climate change, the tackling of water challenges, the protection and quality of soil and the protection and quality of biodiversity. The framework needs to be enhanced to take into account in particular the practices set until 2020 under the greening of direct payments, the mitigation of climate change and the need to improve farms sustainability, ***and in particular the nutrients management***. It is acknowledged that each GAEC contributes to multiple objectives. In order to implement the framework, Member States should define a national standard for each of the standards set at Union level taking into account the specific characteristics of the area concerned, including soil and climatic conditions, existing farming conditions, land use, crop rotation, farming practices and farm structures. Member States may also define ***in addition other national standards related to the main objectives laid down in Annex III in order to improve the environmental and climate delivery of the GAEC framework. As part of GAEC framework, in order to support both the agronomic and the environmental performance of farms, nutrient management plans will be established with the help of a dedicated electronic Farm Sustainability Tool made available by the Member States to individual farmers. The tool should provide on-farm decision support starting from minimum nutrient management functionalities. A wide interoperability and modularity should also ensure the***

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possibility to add other electronic on-farm and e-governance applications. In order to ensure a level playing field between farmers and across the Union, the Commission may provide support to the Member States in the design of the Tool as well as with the data storage and processing services required.

Amendment 23

Proposal for a regulation Recital 23

Text proposed by the Commission

(23) SMRs need to be fully implemented by Member States in order to become operational at farm level and ensure equal treatment of farmers. To ensure the consistency of the rules on conditionality in enhancing the sustainability of the policy, SMRs should encompass main Union legislation on environment, public health, animal health, plant health and animal welfare which implementation at national level imply precise obligations on individual farmers, including obligations under Council Directive 92/43/EEC¹¹ and Directive 2009/147/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council¹² or Council Directive 91/676/EEC¹³. In order to follow up on the joint statement made by the European Parliament and the Council as annexed to Regulation (EU) No 1306/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council¹⁴, the relevant provisions of Directive 2000/60/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council¹⁵ and Directive 2009/128/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council¹⁶ are included as SMRs into the scope of conditionality and the list of GAEC standards is adapted accordingly.

¹¹. Council Directive 92/43/EEC of 21 May 1992 on the conservation of natural

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¹¹. Council Directive 92/43/EEC of 21 May 1992 on the conservation of natural

habitats and of wild fauna and flora (OJ L 206, 22.7.1992, p. 7).

¹². Directive 2009/147/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 30 November 2009 on the conservation of wild birds (OJ L 20, 26.1.2010, p. 7).

¹³. Council Directive 91/676/EEC of 12 December 1991 concerning the protection of waters against pollution caused by nitrates from agricultural sources (OJ L 375, 31.12.1991, p. 1).

¹⁴. Regulation (EU) No 1306/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 17 December 2013 on the financing, management and monitoring of the common agricultural policy and repealing Council Regulations (EEC) No 352/78, (EC) No 165/94, (EC) No 2799/98, (EC) No 814/2000, (EC) No 1290/2005 and (EC) No 485/2008 (OJ L 347, 20.12.2013, p. 549).

¹⁵. Directive 2000/60/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 October 2000 establishing a framework for Community action in the field of water policy (OJ L 327, 22.12.2000, p. 1).

¹⁶. Directive 2009/128/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 21 October 2009 establishing a framework for Community action to achieve the sustainable use of pesticides (OJ L 309, 24.11.2009, p. 71).

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Amendment 24

Proposal for a regulation

Recital 24

Text proposed by the Commission

(24) Member States should **set** farm advisory services for the purpose of improving the sustainable management and overall performance of agricultural

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(24) Member States should **provide high-quality** farm advisory services for the purpose of improving the sustainable management and overall performance of

holdings and rural businesses, covering economic, environmental and social dimensions, and to identify the necessary improvements as regards all measures at farm level provided for in the CAP Strategic Plans. These farm advisory services should help farmers and other beneficiaries of CAP support to become more aware of the relationship between farm management and land management on the one hand, and certain standards, requirements and information, including environmental and climate ones, on the other hand. The list of the latter includes standards applying to or necessary for farmers and other CAP beneficiaries and set in the CAP Strategic Plan, as well as those stemming from the legislation on water, on the sustainable use of pesticides, as well as the initiatives to combat antimicrobial resistance and the management of risks. In order to enhance the quality and effectiveness of the advice, Member States should integrate advisors within the Agricultural Knowledge and Innovation Systems (AKIS), in order to be able to deliver up-to-date technological and scientific information developed by research and innovation.

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Amendment 25

Proposal for a regulation

Recital 26

Text proposed by the Commission

(26) Union legislation should provide that Member States should set requirements in terms of minimum area for receiving decoupled payments in their CAP Strategic Plan. Such requirements should relate to the need to avoid the excessive administrative burden caused by managing

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numerous payments of small amounts and to that of ensuring an effective contribution of the support to the objectives of the CAP to which the decoupled direct payments contribute. In order to guarantee a minimum level of agricultural income support for all ***genuine*** farmers, as well as to comply with the Treaty objective in ensuring a fair standard of living for the agricultural community, an annual area-based decoupled payment should be established as the type of intervention 'basic income support for sustainability'. In order to enhance better targeting of this support, the payment amounts can be differentiated, by groups of territories, based on socio-economic and/or agronomic conditions. In view of avoiding disruptive effects for farmers' income, Member States may choose to implement the basic income support for sustainability based on payment entitlements. In this case, the value of payment entitlements before any further convergence should be proportional to their value as established under the basic payment schemes pursuant to Regulation (EU) No 1307/2013, taking also into account the payments for agricultural practices beneficial for the climate and the environment. Member States should also achieve further convergence in order to ***continue to*** move progressively ***away from historical values***.

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Amendment 26

Proposal for a regulation Recital 26 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(26 a) Income support through the CAP is a major contributor to the stability and sustainability of many small and family farms across Europe, and although

expectations on farmers have increased, monetary benefits have not. The CAP's overall share of the EU is decreasing, while market crises in the sector and a falling number of active famers continue to threaten the survival of the sector. The family farm model should be protected as a General Objective of the CAP and through the Member State Strategic Plans, giving proper place to the vital role this model has in contributing to the social fabric of rural life, and the provision of a way of life for many rural dwellers. Family farms contribute to sustainable food production, the preservation of natural resources, diversification needs and ad ensuring food security. The first farmers to suffer under the immense pressures of globalisation will be those that pursue the small family farm model. Such a situation would be an obvious failure to meet the objectives of the CAP and would undermine the argument for support of the CAP in future. Therefore the CAP Strategic Plans should pursue through their specific objectives keeping the protection of this farming model.

Amendment 27

Proposal for a regulation Recital 28

Text proposed by the Commission

(28) Small farms remain a cornerstone of Union agriculture as they play a vital role in supporting rural employment and contribute to territorial development. In order to promote a more balanced distribution of support and to reduce administrative burden for beneficiaries of small amounts, Member States should have the option of offering to small farmers the possibility of replacing *the other* direct payments by providing a round some

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payment for small farmers.

reducing the administrative burden, Member States should be authorised to automatically include certain farmers, initially, within the simplified scheme, offering them the possibility of withdrawing from it by a specific deadline. In line with the principle of proportionality, the Member States should be given the possibility of establishing a reduced system of conditionality checks for small farmers that participate in the simplified scheme .

Amendment 28

Proposal for a regulation Recital 30 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(30a) Organic farming is developing in many Member States and has a proven track record of delivering public goods, preserving ecosystems services and natural resources, reducing inputs, attracting young farmers and women in particular, creating jobs, experimenting with new business models, meeting societal demands, and revitalising rural areas. Yet the growth in demand for organic products continues to outpace the growth in production. Member States should ensure that their CAP Strategic Plans include objectives to increase the share of agricultural land under organic management in order to meet the increasing demand for organic products, and to develop the whole organic supply chain. Member States should be able to fund organic conversion and maintenance either through rural development measures or through eco-schemes, or through a combination of both, and should ensure that allocated budgets match the expected growth in organic production.

Amendment 29

Proposal for a regulation Recital 31

Text proposed by the Commission

(31) The CAP should ensure that Member States increase the environmental delivery by respecting local needs and farmers' actual circumstances. Member States should under direct payments in the CAP Strategic Plan set up Eco-schemes voluntary for farmers, which should be fully coordinated with the other relevant interventions. They should be defined by the Member States as a payment granted either for incentivising and remunerating the provision of public goods by agricultural practices beneficial to the environment and climate ***or as a compensation for the introduction of these practices. In both cases*** they should aim at enhancing the environmental and climate performance of the CAP and should consequently be conceived to go beyond the mandatory requirements already prescribed by the system of conditionality. Member States may decide to set up eco-schemes for agricultural practices such as the enhanced management of permanent pastures and landscape features, and organic farming. These schemes may also include 'entry-level schemes' which may be a condition for taking up more ambitious rural development commitments.

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Amendment 30

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 33

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(33) Compliance of coupled income support with the Union's international commitments should be ensured. This includes in particular the requirements of the Memorandum of Understanding between the European Economic Community and the United States of America on oilseeds within the framework of the GATT,¹⁷ as applicable subsequent to changes to the EU separate base area for oilseeds following changes to the composition of the EU. The Commission should have the power to adopt implementing acts for this purpose of laying down detailed rules in this respect.

deleted

¹⁷ *Memorandum of Understanding between the Economic Community and the United States of America on oil seeds under GATT (OJ L147, 18/06/1993).*

Amendment 31

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 35

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(35) Sectoral types of interventions are needed to contribute to the CAP objectives and reinforce synergies with other CAP instruments. In line with the delivery model, minimum requirements concerning the contents and objectives for such sectoral types of interventions should be elaborated at Union level in order to ensure a level playing field in the internal market and avoid conditions of unequal and unfair competition. Member States should justify their inclusion in their CAP Strategic Plans and ensure consistency with other interventions at sectoral level. The broad

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types of interventions to be established at Union level should cover the sectors of fruit and vegetables, wine, apiculture products, olive oil and table olives, hops and other products *to be* defined, for which the establishment of sectoral programs is deemed to have beneficial effects on the achievement of some or all of the general and specific objectives of the CAP pursued by this Regulation.

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Amendment 32

Proposal for a regulation Recital 35 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(35a) In view of the increase in the allocation provided for the apiculture sector and in recognition of the important role it plays in preserving biodiversity and food production, it is appropriate to also increase the Union co-financing ceiling and to add new eligible measures designed to promote the sector's development.

Amendment 33

Proposal for a regulation Recital 37

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(37) For interventions for rural development, principles are defined at Union level, particularly with regard to the basic requirements for the Member States to apply selection criteria. However, Member States should have ample discretion to define specific conditions according to their needs. Types of interventions for rural development include payments for environmental, climate and other management commitments that Member States should support throughout

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their territories, in accordance with their national, regional or local specific needs. Member States should grant payments to farmers and other land managers who undertake, on a voluntary basis, management commitments that contribute to climate change mitigation and adaptation and to the protection and improvement of the environment including water quality and quantity, air quality, soil, biodiversity and ecosystem services including voluntary commitments in Natura 2000 and support for genetic diversity. Support under payments for management commitments may also be granted in the form of locally-led, integrated or cooperative approaches and result-based interventions.

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Amendment 34

Proposal for a regulation Recital 38

Text proposed by the Commission

(38) Support for management commitments may include organic farming premia for the maintenance of and the conversion to organic land; payments for other types of interventions supporting environmentally friendly production systems such as agro-ecology, conservation agriculture and integrated production; forest environmental and climate services and forest conservation; premia for forests and establishment of agroforestry systems; animal welfare; conservation, sustainable use and development of genetic resources. Member States may develop other schemes under this type of interventions on the basis of their needs. This type of payments should cover additional costs and income foregone only resulting from commitments going beyond the baseline of mandatory standards and requirements established in Union and national law, as well as

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conditionality, as laid down in the CAP Strategic Plan. Commitments related to this type of interventions may be undertaken for a pre-established annual or pluri-annual period and might go beyond seven years where duly justified.

certain regions of the Union, and develop further measures. This type of payments should cover additional costs and income foregone only resulting from commitments going beyond the baseline of mandatory standards and requirements established in Union and national law, as well as conditionality, as laid down in the CAP Strategic Plan. ***Member States should also provide financial incentives to beneficiaries,*** Commitments related to this type of interventions may be undertaken for a pre-established annual or pluri-annual period and might go beyond seven years where duly justified.

Amendment 35

Proposal for a regulation Recital 39

Text proposed by the Commission

(39) Forestry measures should contribute to the implementation of the Union Forest Strategy, and be based on Member States' national or sub-national forest programs or equivalent instruments, which should build on the commitments stemming from the Regulation on the inclusion of greenhouse gas emission and removals from land use, land use energy and forestry [LULUCF Regulation] and those made ***in*** the Ministerial Conferences on the Protection of Forests in Europe. Interventions should be based on forest management plans or equivalent instruments and may comprise forest area development and sustainable management of forests, including the afforestation of land and the creation and regeneration of agroforestry systems; the protection, restoration and improvement of forest resources, taking into account adaptation needs; investments to guarantee and enhance forest conservation and resilience, and the provision of forest ecosystem and climate services; and measures and

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(39) Forestry measures should contribute ***to widening the use of agroforestry systems and*** to the implementation of the Union Forest Strategy, and be based on Member States' national or sub-national forest programs or equivalent instruments, which should build on the commitments stemming from Regulation ***(EU) 2018/841 of the European Parliament and of the Council^{1a}*** and those made ***by*** the Ministerial Conferences on the Protection of Forests in Europe. Interventions should be based on forest management plans or equivalent instruments and may comprise forest area development and sustainable management of forests, including the afforestation of land, ***fire prevention*** and the creation and regeneration of agroforestry systems; the protection, restoration and improvement of forest resources, taking into account adaptation needs; investments to guarantee and enhance forest conservation and resilience, and the provision of forest ecosystem and

investments in support of the renewable energy and bio-economy.

climate services; and measures and investments in support of the renewable energy and bio-economy.

^{1a} Regulation (EU) 2018/841 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 30 May 2018 on the inclusion of greenhouse gas emissions and removals from land use, land use change and forestry in the 2030 climate and energy framework, and amending Regulation (EU) No 525/2013 and Decision No 529/2013/EU (OJ L 156, 19.6.2018, p. 1).

Amendment 36

Proposal for a regulation Recital 40

Text proposed by the Commission

(40) In order to ensure a fair income and a resilient agricultural sector across the Union territory, Member States may grant support to farmers in areas facing natural and other area-specific constraints. As regards payments for ANC, the designation of the 2014-2020 Rural Development policy should continue to apply. For the CAP to deliver enhanced Union added on the environment and reinforce its synergies with the financing of investments in nature and biodiversity, it is necessary to keep a separate measure aiming at compensating beneficiaries for disadvantages related to the implementation of Natura 2000 and Water Framework **Directives**. Support should therefore continue to be granted to farmers and forest holders to help address specific disadvantages resulting from the implementation of Directive 2009/147/EC and Directive 92/43/EEC and in order to contribute to the effective management of Natura 2000 sites. Support should also be made available to farmers to help address disadvantages in river basin areas resulting from the implementation of the Water

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(40) In order to ensure a fair income and a resilient agricultural sector across the Union territory, Member States may grant support to farmers in areas facing natural and other area-specific constraints, ***including mountain areas and island regions***. As regards payments for ANC, the designation of the 2014-2020 Rural Development policy should continue to apply. For the CAP to deliver enhanced Union added on the environment and reinforce its synergies with the financing of investments in nature and biodiversity, it is necessary to keep a separate measure aiming at compensating beneficiaries for disadvantages related to the implementation of Natura 2000 ***established by Council Directive 92/43/EEC^{1a} and of the*** Water Framework **Directive**. Support should therefore continue to be granted to farmers and forest holders to help address specific disadvantages resulting from the implementation of Directive 2009/147/EC and Directive 92/43/EEC and in order to contribute to the effective management of Natura 2000 sites. Support should also be

Framework Directive. Support should be linked to specific requirements described in the CAP Strategic Plans that go beyond relevant mandatory standards and requirements. Member States should also ensure that payments to farmers do not lead to double funding with eco schemes. Furthermore, the specific needs of Natura 2000 areas should be taken into account by Member States in the overall design of their CAP Strategic Plans.

made available to farmers to help address disadvantages in river basin areas resulting from the implementation of the Water Framework Directive. Support should be linked to specific requirements described in the CAP Strategic Plans that go beyond relevant mandatory standards and requirements. Member States should also ensure that payments to farmers do not lead to double funding with eco schemes, ***while at the same time allowing enough flexibility in Strategic Plans to facilitate complementarity between different interventions***. Furthermore, the specific needs of Natura 2000 areas should be taken into account by Member States in the overall design of their CAP Strategic Plans.

^{1a} ***Council Directive 92/43/EEC of 21 May 1992 on the conservation of natural habitats and of wild fauna and flora (OJ L 206 , 22/07/1992, p.7).***

Amendment 37

Proposal for a regulation Recital 41

Text proposed by the Commission

(41) The objectives of the CAP should also be pursued through support for investments, productive as well as non-productive, ***on farm as well as off-farm***. Such investments may concern, inter alia, infrastructures related to the development, modernisation or adaptation to climate change of agriculture and forestry, including access to farm and forest land, land consolidation and improvement, agro-forestry practices and the supply and saving of energy and water. In order to better ensure the consistency of the CAP Strategic Plans with Union objectives, as well as a level playing field between Member States, a negative list of investment topics is included in this

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(41) The objectives of the CAP should also be pursued through support for investments, productive as well as non-productive, ***which aim to strengthen farms' resilience***. Such investments may concern, inter alia, infrastructures related to the development, modernisation or adaptation to climate change of agriculture and forestry, including access to farm and forest land, land consolidation and improvement, agro-forestry practices, and the supply and saving of energy and water. In order to better ensure the consistency of the CAP Strategic Plans with Union objectives, as well as a level playing field between Member States, a negative list of investment topics is included in this

Amendment 38**Proposal for a regulation
Recital 42***Text proposed by the Commission*

(42) In the light of the need to fill the investment gap in the Union agricultural sector and improve access to financial instruments for priority groups, notably young farmers and new entrants with higher risk profiles, ***use of the InvestEU guarantee and*** combination of grants and financial instruments should be encouraged. Since the use of financial instruments across Member States varies considerably as a result of differences in terms of access to finance, banking sector development, presence of risk capital, familiarity of public administrations and potential range of beneficiaries, Member States should establish in the CAP Strategic Plan appropriate targets, beneficiaries and preferential conditions, and other possible eligibility rules.

Amendment 39**Proposal for a regulation
Recital 43***Text proposed by the Commission*

(43) Young farmers and new ***entrants*** still face significant barriers regarding access to land, high prices and access to credit. Their businesses are more threatened by price volatility (for both inputs and produce) and their needs in terms of training in entrepreneurial ***and risk*** management skills are high. It is therefore essential to continue the support for the setting up of new businesses and new farms. Member States should provide

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(43) Young farmers and new ***farmers*** still face significant barriers regarding access to land, high prices and access to credit. Their businesses are more threatened by price volatility (for both inputs and produce) and their needs in terms of training in entrepreneurial, ***risk prevention and*** management skills are high. It is therefore essential to continue the support for the setting up of new businesses and new farms. Member States

for a strategic approach and identify a clear and coherent set of interventions for generational renewal under the specific objective dedicated to this issue. To this aim, Member States may set in their CAP Strategic Plans preferential conditions for financial instruments for young farmers and new entrants, and should include in their CAP Strategic Plan the ring-fencing of at least an amount corresponding to 2% of the annual direct payments' envelope. An increase of the maximum amount of aid for the installation of young farmers and rural business start-ups, up to EUR 100.000, which can be accessed also through or in combination with financial instrument form of support, should be established.

should provide for a strategic approach and identify a clear and coherent set of interventions for generational renewal under the specific objective dedicated to this issue. To this aim, Member States may set in their CAP Strategic Plans preferential conditions for financial instruments for young farmers and new entrants, and should include in their CAP Strategic Plan the ring-fencing of at least an amount corresponding to 2% of the annual direct payments' envelope ***in the first pillar***. An increase of the maximum amount of aid for the installation of young farmers and rural business start-ups, up to EUR 100.000, which can be accessed also through or in combination with financial instrument form of support, should be established.

Amendment 40

Proposal for a regulation Recital 44

Text proposed by the Commission

(44) In the light of the need to ensure appropriate risk management tools, insurance premia and mutual funds should be maintained, financed by the EAFRD. The category of mutual funds encompasses both those linked to production losses, and the general and sector-specific income stabilisation tools, linked to income losses.

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(44) In the light of the need to ensure appropriate risk management tools, insurance premia and mutual funds should be maintained, financed by the EAFRD. The category of mutual funds encompasses both those linked to production losses, and the general and sector-specific income stabilisation tools, linked to income losses. ***In order to adapt the risk management tools to the challenges faced by farmers, including climate change, the CAP toolbox should include compensation for the costs and losses incurred by farmers in connection with measures taken to combat animal diseases and plant pests, or for the losses incurred by organic farmers as a result of an external contamination for which they are not responsible. However, the compatibility of***

EARDF-financed interventions with national risk management systems should be ensured.

Amendment 41

Proposal for a regulation Recital 45

Text proposed by the Commission

(45) Support should enable the establishment and implementation of cooperation between at least two entities in view of achieving CAP objectives. Support can entail all aspects of such cooperation, such as the setting up of quality schemes; collective environmental and climate action; the promotion of short supply chain and local markets; pilot projects; Operational Group projects within the EIP for agricultural productivity and sustainability local development projects, Smart Villages, buyers' clubs and machinery rings; farm partnerships; forest management plans; networks and clusters; social farming; community supported agriculture; actions within the scope of LEADER; and the setting up of producer groups and producer organisations, as well as other forms of cooperation deemed necessary to achieve the specific objectives of the CAP.

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(45) Support should enable the establishment and implementation of cooperation between at least two entities in view of achieving CAP objectives. Support can entail all aspects of such cooperation, such as the setting up, ***certification costs and promotion*** of quality schemes; collective environmental and climate action; the promotion of short supply chain and local markets; pilot projects; Operational Group projects within the EIP for agricultural productivity and sustainability local development projects, Smart Villages, buyers' clubs and machinery rings; farm partnerships; forest management plans; networks and clusters; social farming; community supported agriculture; actions within the scope of LEADER; and the setting up of producer groups and producer organisations, ***including producer groups recognised under Regulation (EU) No 115/12***, as well as other forms of cooperation deemed necessary to achieve the specific objectives of the CAP. ***As a way of promoting intergenerational renewal, consideration should be given to granting specific support to farmers who wish to stop farming before reaching the statutory retirement age and intend to hand over their farm to a cooperating younger farmer.***

Amendment 42

Proposal for a regulation

Recital 47

Text proposed by the Commission

(47) The EAGF should continue financing types of interventions in the form of direct payments and sectoral types of interventions, whereas the EAFRD should continue financing types of interventions for rural development as described in this Regulation. The rules for the financial management of the CAP should be laid down separately for the two funds and for the activities supported by each of them, taking into account that the new delivery model gives more flexibility and subsidiarity for Member States to reach their objectives. Types of interventions under this Regulation should cover the period from 1 January **2021** to 31 December 2027.

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Amendment 43

Proposal for a regulation

Recital 48

Text proposed by the Commission

(48) Support for direct payments under the CAP Strategic Plans should be granted within national allocations to be fixed by this Regulation. These national allocations should reflect a continuation of the changes whereby the allocations to Member States with the lowest support level per hectare are gradually increased to close 50% of the gap towards 90% of the Union average. In order to take into account the reduction of payments' mechanism and the use of its product in the Member State, the total indicative financial allocations per year in the CAP Strategic Plan of a Member State should be allowed to exceed the national allocation.

Amendment

(48) ***The EAGF should not provide support to activities that would harm the environment, or which are not consistent with climate and environmental objectives in line with sustainable agricultural management principles.*** Support for direct payments under the CAP Strategic Plans should be granted within national allocations to be fixed by this Regulation. These national allocations should reflect a continuation of the changes whereby the allocations to Member States with the lowest support level per hectare are gradually increased to close 50% of the gap towards 90% of the Union average. In order to take into account the reduction of payments' mechanism and the use of its product in the Member State, the total

indicative financial allocations per year in the CAP Strategic Plan of a Member State should be allowed to exceed the national allocation.

Amendment 44

Proposal for a regulation

Recital 49

Text proposed by the Commission

(49) In order to facilitate the management of EAFRD funds, a **single** contribution rate for support from the EAFRD should be set in relation to public expenditure in the Member States. In order to take account of their particular importance or nature, specific contribution rates should be set in relation to certain types of operations. In order to mitigate the specific constraints resulting from the level of development, the remoteness and insularity, ***an appropriate EAFRD contribution rate should be set for less developed regions, the outermost regions referred to in Article 349 TFEU and the smaller Aegean islands.***

Amendment

(49) In order to facilitate the management of EAFRD funds, a **general** contribution rate for support from the EAFRD should be set in relation to public expenditure in the Member States. In order to take account of their particular importance or nature, specific contribution rates should be set in relation to certain types of operations. In order to mitigate the specific constraints resulting from the level of development, the remoteness and insularity ***of the outermost regions referred to in Article 349 TFEU and the smaller Aegean islands as defined in Article 1(2) of Regulation (EU) No 229/2013, a higher EAFRD contribution rate should be set for those regions.***

Amendment 45

Proposal for a regulation

Recital 49 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(49a) Objective criteria should be established for categorising regions and areas at Union level for support from the EAFRD. To that end, the identification of the regions and areas at Union level should be based on the common system of classification of the regions established by Regulation (EC) No 1059/2003 of the European Parliament and the Council,

.The latest classifications and data should be used to ensure adequate support, in particular for addressing lagging behind regions and interregional disparities inside a Member State.

Amendment 46

Proposal for a regulation Recital 50

Text proposed by the Commission

(50) EAFRD should **not provide** support to investments that would harm the environment. Hence it is necessary to provide in this Regulation a number of exclusion rules, as well as the possibility to further develop these guarantees in delegated acts. Notably, the EAFRD should not finance investments in irrigation which do not contribute towards ***the achievement, or the preservation, of good status of the associated water body or bodies*** and investments in afforestation which are not consistent with climate and environmental objectives in line with sustainable forest management principles.

Amendment

(50) ***The*** EAFRD should ***give priority*** support to ***investments generating both economic and environmental benefits while not supporting*** investments that would harm the environment. Hence it is necessary to provide in this Regulation a number of exclusion rules, as well as the possibility to further develop these guarantees in delegated acts. Notably, the EAFRD should not finance investments in afforestation which are not consistent with climate and environmental objectives in line with sustainable forest management principles. ***Furthermore, EAFRD should not cover investments in irrigation which do not contribute towards the achievement, or the preservation, of good status of the associated water body or bodies.***

Amendment 47

Proposal for a regulation Recital 51 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(51a) In order to enable the Union to be independent of vegetable protein imports, the CAP aims to promote, in line with the Renewable Energy Directive, the use of

Amendment 48

Proposal for a regulation

Recital 54

Text proposed by the Commission

(54) To enhance the Union added value and to preserve a functioning agricultural internal market, as well as to pursue the above-mentioned general and specific objectives, Member States should not take decisions according to this Regulation in isolation but in the framework of a structured process that should materialise in a CAP Strategic Plan. Union top-down rules should lay down the specific *EU*-wide objectives of the CAP, the main types of interventions, the performance framework and the governance structure. Such a distribution of tasks is aimed at ensuring full correspondence between financial resources invested and results achieved.

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Amendment 49

Proposal for a regulation

Recital 55

Text proposed by the Commission

(55) In order to ensure a clear strategic nature of these CAP Strategic Plans, and to facilitate the links with other Union policies, and notably with established long-term national targets deriving from Union legislation or international agreements such as those related to climate change, forests, biodiversity, and water, it is appropriate that there should be one single CAP Strategic Plan per Member State.

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structure of the Member States, the Strategic Plan should, where appropriate, include regionalised interventions for Rural Development.

Amendment 50

Proposal for a regulation Recital 55 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(55 a) It is imperative that the CAP Strategic Plans have a clear, simple and unambiguous framework in order to avoid “gold plating” of policy at the national, regional or local level.

Amendment 51

Proposal for a regulation Recital 55 b (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(55b) The new delivery model should not call into question the integrity of the internal market or the historically European nature of the CAP, which should remain a truly common policy, ensuring a European approach and a level playing field.

Amendment 52

Proposal for a regulation Recital 56

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

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these targets, while being adapted to the national and specific regional contexts, including the outermost regions pursuant to Article 349 TFEU. Such process should promote more subsidiarity within a common Union framework, while compliance with the general principles of Union law and the objectives of the CAP should be ensured. It is therefore appropriate to set rules on the structure and content of the CAP Strategic Plans.

will allow reaching these targets ***while providing certainty for the final beneficiaries***, while being adapted to the national and specific regional contexts, including the outermost regions pursuant to Article 349 TFEU. Such process should promote more subsidiarity within a common Union framework, while compliance with the general principles of Union law and the objectives of the CAP should be ensured. It is therefore appropriate to set rules on the structure and content of the CAP Strategic Plans. ***In order to ensure that the setting of targets by Member States and that the design of interventions is appropriate and maximises the contribution to the objectives of the CAP, and while the commonality of the policy is secured, it is necessary to base the strategy of the CAP Strategic Plans on a prior analysis of the local contexts and an assessment of needs in relation to the objectives of the CAP. In proceeding with CAP Strategic Plans, it is necessary to ensure the involvement of farmers and farmers' organisations.***

Amendment 53

Proposal for a regulation Recital 57

Text proposed by the Commission

(57) In order to ensure that the setting of targets by Member States and that the design of interventions is appropriate and maximises the contribution to the objectives of the CAP, it is necessary to base the strategy of the CAP Strategic Plans on a prior analysis of the local contexts and an assessment of needs in relation to the objectives of the CAP.

Amendment

(57) In order to ensure that the setting of targets by Member States and that the design of interventions is appropriate and maximises the contribution to the objectives of the CAP, it is necessary to base the strategy of the CAP Strategic Plans on a prior analysis of the local contexts and an assessment of needs in relation to the objectives of the CAP. ***It is also important that the CAP strategic plans can adequately reflect changes in Member States' conditions, structures (both internal and external) and market situations and that they can, therefore, be***

adjusted over time to reflect them.

Amendment 54

Proposal for a regulation Recital 58

Text proposed by the Commission

(58) The CAP Strategic Plans should aim to ensure enhanced coherence across the multiple tools of the CAP, since it should cover types of interventions in the form of direct payments, sectoral types of interventions and types of interventions for rural development. They should also ensure and demonstrate the alignment and appropriateness of the choices made by Member States to the Union priorities and objectives. It is therefore appropriate that they contain a result-oriented intervention strategy structured around the specific objectives of the CAP, including quantified targets in relation to these objectives. In order to allow their monitoring ***on an annual basis***, it is appropriate that these targets are based on result indicators.

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Amendment 55

Proposal for a regulation Recital 59 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(59 a) Since the income support scheme plays a major role in guaranteeing the economic viability of farms, it is appropriate to take into account the social impacts, which the CAP has on providing jobs in rural areas. For that reason the Member States should also take into account in the planning of their Strategic Plans the employment impact which an establishment will have on a specific area. Measures and activities which create more employment opportunities should be

given priority when drafting and implementing the respective policy tools.

Amendment 56

Proposal for a regulation

Recital 60

Text proposed by the Commission

(60) Considering that flexibility should be accorded to Member States as regards the choice of delegating part of the implementation of the CAP Strategic Plan at regional level ***on the basis of a*** national framework, in order to facilitate co-ordination among the regions in addressing nation-wide challenges, it is appropriate that the CAP Strategic Plans provide a description of the interplay between national and regional interventions.

Amendment

(60) Considering that flexibility should be accorded to Member States as regards the choice of delegating part of the ***design and*** implementation of the CAP Strategic Plan at regional level ***through Rural Development intervention programmes in line with the*** national framework, in order to facilitate co-ordination among the regions in addressing nation-wide challenges, it is appropriate that the CAP Strategic Plans provide a description of the interplay between national and regional interventions.

Amendment 57

Proposal for a regulation

Recital 69

Text proposed by the Commission

(69) A Managing Authority should be responsible for the management and implementation of each CAP Strategic Plan. Its duties should be specified in this Regulation. The Managing Authority should be able to delegate part of its duties while retaining responsibility for the efficiency and correctness of management. Member States should ensure that in the Management and Implementation of CAP Strategic Plans, the financial interests of the Union are protected, in accordance with [Regulation (EU, Euratom) X] of the European Parliament and the Council [the

Amendment

(69) A Managing Authority should be responsible for the management and implementation of each CAP Strategic Plan. ***However, where elements relating to rural development policy are dealt with on a regional basis, Member States should be able to establish regional managing authorities. Their*** duties should be specified in this Regulation. The ***managing authorities*** should be able to delegate part of its duties while retaining responsibility for the efficiency and correctness of management. Member States should ensure that in the Management and

new Financial Regulation] and Regulation (EU) X of the European Parliament and the Council [the new Horizontal Regulation].

Implementation of CAP Strategic Plans, the financial interests of the Union are protected, in accordance with [Regulation (EU, Euratom) X] of the European Parliament and the Council [the new Financial Regulation] and Regulation (EU) X of the European Parliament and the Council [the new Horizontal Regulation].

Amendment 58

Proposal for a regulation Recital 70

Text proposed by the Commission

(70) In accordance with the principle of shared management, the Commission is assisted by committees formed by Member States representatives in the implementation of the CAP. With a view to simplifying the system and streamlining the position of Member States, only one Monitoring Committee is established for the implementation of this Regulation, merging the ‘Rural Development’ Committee and the ‘Direct Payments’ Committee, which were established under the 2014-2020 programming period. The responsibility to assist Member States in the implementation of the CAP Strategic Plans is shared between the Managing Authority and this Monitoring Committee. The Commission should also be assisted by the ‘Common Agricultural Policy’ Committee, in accordance with the provisions laid down by this Regulation.

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Amendment 59

Proposal for a regulation Recital 71

(71) The EAFRD should support through technical assistance, at the initiative of the Commission, actions relating to the fulfilment of the tasks referred to in [Article 7 HzR]. Technical assistance may also be provided, at the initiative of Member States, for the purpose of the fulfilment of the tasks necessary for the effective administration and implementation of support in relation to the CAP Strategic Plan. An increase of the technical assistance at the initiative of Member States is only available for Malta.

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Amendment 60

Proposal for a regulation Recital 74

(74) The result-orientation triggered by the delivery model requires a strong performance framework, particularly since CAP Strategic Plans would contribute to broad general objectives for other shared managed policies. A performance-based policy implies ***annual and multi-annual assessment*** on the basis of selected outputs, result and impact indicators, as defined in the performance monitoring and evaluation framework. To this end, a limited and targeted set of indicators should be selected in a way which reflects as closely as possible whether the supported intervention contributes to achieving the envisaged objectives. Result and output indicators relating to climate- and environment-related objectives may include interventions set out in national environmental and climate-planning instruments emanating from Union legislation.

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Amendment 61

Proposal for a regulation

Recital 75

Text proposed by the Commission

(75) As part of the performance, monitor and evaluation framework, Member States should monitor and report ***annually to the Commission*** on the progress made. The information provided by the Member States are the basis on which the Commission should report on the progress towards the achievement of specific objectives over the whole programming period using for this purpose a core set of indicators.

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Amendment 62

Proposal for a regulation

Recital 76

Text proposed by the Commission

(76) Mechanisms should be in place to take action to protect the Union's financial interests in case the CAP Strategic Plan implementation deviates significantly from the targets set. Member States may thus be asked to submit action plans in case of significant and non-justified underperformance. This could lead to suspensions and, in the end, reductions of the Union funds if the planned results are not achieved. ***Moreover, an overall performance bonus is established as part of the incentive mechanism based on allocating the performance bonus, in view of encouraging good environmental and climate performances.***

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Amendment 63

Proposal for a regulation

Recital 80 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(80a) Trade agreements signed with third countries relating to the agricultural sector should provide for arrangements and contain safeguard clauses to ensure a level playing field between Union and non-Union farmers and to protect consumers.

Amendment 64

Proposal for a regulation Recital 81

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(81) Personal data collected for the purposes of the application of any provision enshrined in this Regulation should be processed in a way that is compatible with those purposes. It should also be made anonymous, be aggregated when processed for monitoring or evaluation purposes, and be protected in accordance with Union law concerning the protection of individuals with regard to the processing of personal data and on the free movement of such data, in particular Regulation (EC) **No 45/2001** of the European Parliament and of the Council¹⁹ and Regulation (EU) 2016/679 of the European Parliament and of the Council²⁰. Data subjects should be informed of such processing and of their data protection rights.

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¹⁹ Regulation (EC) No 45/2001 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 18 December 2000 on the protection of individuals with regard to the processing of personal data by the Community institutions and bodies and on the free movement of such data (OJ L 8, 12.1.2001, p. 1).

¹⁹ Regulation (EC) No 45/2001 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 18 December 2000 on the protection of individuals with regard to the processing of personal data by the Community institutions and bodies and on the free movement of such data (OJ L 8, 12.1.2001, p. 1).

²⁰ Regulation (EU) 2016/679 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 27 April 2016 on the protection of natural persons with regard to the processing of personal data and on the free movement of such data, and repealing Directive 95/46/EC (General Data Protection Regulation) (OJ L 119, 4.5.2016, p. 1).

²⁰ Regulation (EU) 2016/679 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 27 April 2016 on the protection of natural persons with regard to the processing of personal data and on the free movement of such data, and repealing Directive 95/46/EC (General Data Protection Regulation) (OJ L 119, 4.5.2016, p. 1).

Amendment 65

Proposal for a regulation Recital 83

Text proposed by the Commission

(83) In order to ensure legal certainty, protect the rights of farmers and guarantee a smooth, coherent and efficient functioning of types of interventions in the form of direct payments, the power to adopt certain acts should be delegated to the Commission in respect of rules making the granting of payments conditional upon the use of certified seeds of certain hemp varieties and the procedure for the determination of hemp varieties and the verification of their tetrahydrocannabinol content; rules for good agricultural and environmental condition and certain related elements in respect of the eligibility requirements; ***and on the content of the declaration and the requirements for the activation of payment entitlements; further rules on eco-schemes;*** measures to avoid that beneficiaries of coupled income support suffering from structural market imbalances in a sector, including the decision that such support may continue to be paid until 2027 on the basis of the production units for which it was granted in a past reference period; rules and conditions for the authorisation of land and varieties for the purposes of the crop-specific payment for cotton and rules on the conditions for the granting of that payment.

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crop-specific payment for cotton and rules on the conditions for the granting of that payment.

Amendment 66

Proposal for a regulation Recital 84

Text proposed by the Commission

(84) In order to ensure that sectoral types of interventions contribute to the CAP objectives and reinforce synergies with other CAP instruments and in order to ensure a level playing field in the internal market and avoid unequal or unfair competition, the power to adopt certain acts should be delegated to the Commission in respect of criteria for the approval of inter-branch organisations and rules governing the situation where the approved inter-branch organisation does not satisfy such criteria and obligations for producers; rules for the proper functioning of sectoral types of interventions, the basis for the calculation of Union financial assistance, including the reference periods and the calculation of the value of marketed production, and the maximum level of Union financial assistance for market withdrawals; rules for the fixing of a ceiling for expenditure on the replanting of vineyards; **and** rules under which producers are to withdraw the by-products of winemaking, and on exceptions to that obligation in order to avoid additional administrative burden and rules for the voluntary certification of distillers. In particular, in order to ensure the effective and efficient use of Union funds for interventions in the apiculture sector, the power to adopt certain acts should be delegated to the Commission in respect of additional requirements concerning the notification obligation and the establishment of a minimum Union contribution to the expenditure to

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implement those types of interventions.

agricultural and environmental practices and national or regional environmental certification schemes. In particular, in order to ensure the effective and efficient use of Union funds for interventions in the apiculture sector, the power to adopt certain acts should be delegated to the Commission in respect of additional requirements concerning the notification obligation and the establishment of a minimum Union contribution to the expenditure to implement those types of interventions. ***With a view to drawing up the CAP strategic plans, the power to adopt certain acts should be delegated to the Commission to set out a code of conduct in the organisation of a partnership between the Member State and the competent regional and local authorities as well as other partners.***

Amendment 67

Proposal for a regulation Recital 85

Text proposed by the Commission

(85) In order to ensure legal certainty and to guarantee that interventions for rural development achieve their objectives, the power to adopt certain acts should be delegated to the Commission in respect of ***support for management commitments, for investments and for cooperation.***

Amendment

(85) In order to ensure legal certainty and to guarantee that interventions for rural development achieve their objectives, the power to adopt certain acts should be delegated to the Commission in respect of ***supplementing the minimum and maximum amounts of support for certain types of interventions.***

Amendment 68

Proposal for a regulation Recital 86

Text proposed by the Commission

(86) In order to amend certain non-essential elements of this Regulation, the power to adopt acts in accordance with

Amendment

(86) In order to amend certain non-essential elements of this Regulation, the power to adopt acts in accordance with

Article 290 TFEU should be delegated to the Commission in respect of the Member States' allocations for types of interventions in the form of direct payments ***and rules on the content of the CAP Strategic Plan.***

Amendment 69

Proposal for a regulation Recital 87

Text proposed by the Commission

(87) In order to ensure uniform conditions for the implementation of this Regulation and to avoid unfair competition or discrimination between farmers, implementing powers should be conferred on the Commission as regards the fixing of reference areas for the support for oilseeds, rules for the authorisation of land and varieties for the purposes of the crop-specific payment for cotton and related notifications, the calculation of the reduction where the eligible area of cotton exceeds the base area, the Union financial assistance for distillation of by-products of wine-making, the annual breakdown by Member State of the total amount of Union support for types of interventions for rural development, ***rules on the presentation of the elements to be included in the CAP Strategic Plan***, rules on the procedure and time limits for the approval of CAP Strategic Plans and the submission and approval of requests for amendment of CAP Strategic Plans, uniform conditions for the application of the information and publicity requirements relating to the possibilities offered by the CAP Strategic Plans, ***rules relating to the performance, monitoring and evaluation framework***, rules for the presentation of the content of the annual performance report, ***rules on the information to be sent by the Member States for the performance assessment by the Commission and rules on the data***

Article 290 TFEU should be delegated to the Commission in respect of the Member States' allocations for types of interventions in the form of direct payments.

Amendment

(87) In order to ensure uniform conditions for the implementation of this Regulation and to avoid unfair competition or discrimination between farmers, implementing powers should be conferred on the Commission as regards the fixing of reference areas for the support for oilseeds, rules for the authorisation of land and varieties for the purposes of the crop-specific payment for cotton and related notifications, the calculation of the reduction where the eligible area of cotton exceeds the base area, the Union financial assistance for distillation of by-products of wine-making, the annual breakdown by Member State of the total amount of Union support for types of interventions for rural development, ***standardised form of the CAP strategic plans***, rules on the procedure and time limits for the approval of CAP Strategic Plans and the submission and approval of requests for amendment of CAP Strategic Plans, uniform conditions for the application of the information and publicity requirements relating to the possibilities offered by the CAP Strategic Plans, rules for the presentation of the content of the annual performance report. Those powers should be exercised in accordance with Regulation (EU) No 182/2011 of the European Parliament and of the Council ²².

needs and synergies between potential data sources, and arrangements to ensure a consistent approach for determining the attribution of the performance bonus to Member States. Those powers should be exercised in accordance with Regulation (EU) No 182/2011 of the European Parliament and of the Council.²² .

²² Regulation (EU) No 182/2011 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 16 February 2011 laying down the rules and general principles concerning mechanisms for control by the Member States of the Commission's exercise of implementing powers (OJ L 55, 28.2.2011, p. 13).

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Amendment 70

Proposal for a regulation Recital 92 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(92a) The Union's island regions face specific difficulties in carrying out agricultural activities and developing rural areas. An assessment of the impact of the CAP should be carried out in those regions and the idea of extending the measures laid down in Regulation (EU) No 229/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council to all the island regions in the Union should be explored.

Amendment 71

Proposal for a regulation Recital 93

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(93) In order to ensure legal certainty and continuity, the special provisions for

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Croatia concerning the gradual introduction of direct payments and complementary national direct payments in the framework of the phasing-in mechanism should continue to apply *until 1 January 2021*.

Croatia concerning the gradual introduction of direct payments and complementary national direct payments in the framework of the phasing-in mechanism should continue to apply.
Croatia will be entitled to an amount in accordance with the Accession Treaty in 2022, including an additional envelope for the national reserve for demined land in Croatia, and that right should be included in the calculation of the national envelope for 2022.

Amendment 72

Proposal for a regulation

Article 1 – paragraph 1 – point b

Text proposed by the Commission

(b) types of interventions and common requirements for Member States to pursue these objectives as well as the related financial arrangements;

Amendment

(b) types of interventions and common requirements for Member States to pursue these objectives ***by ensuring a level playing field*** as well as the related financial arrangements;

Amendment 73

Proposal for a regulation

Article 1 – paragraph 1 – point c

Text proposed by the Commission

(c) CAP Strategic Plans to be drawn up by Member States, setting targets, defining interventions and allocating financial resources, in line with the specific objectives and identified needs;

Amendment

(c) CAP Strategic Plans to be drawn up by Member States, ***and, where appropriate, in collaboration with their regions***, setting targets, defining interventions and allocating financial resources, in ***line with*** the specific objectives and identified needs ***and in accordance with the internal market***;

Amendment 74

Proposal for a regulation

Article 1 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

2. This Regulation applies to Union support financed by the EAGF and the EAFRD for interventions specified in a CAP Strategic Plan drawn up by the Member States and approved by the Commission, covering the period from 1 January **2021 to 31 December 2027**.

Amendment

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Amendment 75

**Proposal for a regulation
Article 2 – paragraph 2**

Text proposed by the Commission

2. Chapter III of Title II, Chapter II of Title III and Articles 41 and 43 of Regulation (EU) [CPR] of the European Parliament and of the Council²⁶ shall apply to support financed by the EAFRD under this Regulation.

Amendment

2. ***In order to ensure coherence between the European Structural and Investment funds (ESIF) and the CAP Strategic Plans***, Chapter III of Title II, Chapter II of Title III and Articles 41 and 43 of Regulation (EU) [CPR] of the European Parliament and of the Council²⁶ shall apply to support financed by the EAFRD under this Regulation.

²⁶ Regulation (EU) [.../...] of the European Parliament and of the Council of [date] [full title] (OJ L).

²⁶ Regulation (EU) [.../...] of the European Parliament and of the Council of [date] [full title] (OJ L).

Amendment 76

**Proposal for a regulation
Article 3 – paragraph 1 – point a**

Text proposed by the Commission

(a) 'farmer' means a natural or legal person, or a group of natural or legal persons, regardless of the legal status granted to such group and its members by national law, whose holding is situated within the territorial scope of the Treaties,

Amendment

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as defined in Article 52 of the Treaty on European Union (TEU) in conjunction with Articles 349 and 355 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union (TFEU), and who exercises an agricultural activity as defined by Member States;

as defined in Article 52 of the Treaty on European Union (TEU) in conjunction with Articles 349 and 355 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union (TFEU), and who exercises an agricultural activity ***in accordance with good farming practice*** as defined by Member States;

Amendment 77

Proposal for a regulation

Article 3 – paragraph 1 – point b a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(b a) ‘Public goods’ means goods or services that are not remunerated by the market and deliver environmental and societal outcomes above the statutory environmental, climate, and animal welfare legislation.

Amendment 78

Proposal for a regulation

Article 3 – paragraph 1 – point b b (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(b b) ‘European public goods’ means public goods or services that can only be provided effectively at Union level through intervention to ensure coordination between Member States and level playing field on the Union agricultural market. European public goods include in particular water conservation, biodiversity protection, soil fertility protection, protection of pollinators, and animal welfare;

Amendment 79

Proposal for a regulation

Article 3 – paragraph 1 – point e

Text proposed by the Commission

(e) 'mutual fund' means a scheme accredited by the Member State in accordance with its national law for affiliated farmers to ***insure themselves, whereby compensation payments are made to affiliated farmers who experience economic losses.***

Amendment

(e) 'mutual fund' means a scheme accredited by the Member State in accordance with its national law for affiliated farmers to ***make provision against risks and to receive compensation payments in the event of economic losses or a fall in income.***

Amendment 80

Proposal for a regulation

Article 3 – paragraph 1 – point f – point i

Text proposed by the Commission

(i) a project, contract, action or group of projects selected under the ***programs*** concerned;

Amendment

(i) a project, contract, action or group of projects selected under the ***strategic plan*** concerned;

Amendment 81

Proposal for a regulation

Article 3 – paragraph 1 – point f – point ii

Text proposed by the Commission

(ii) in the context of financial instruments, a ***program*** contribution to a financial instrument and the subsequent financial support provided to final recipients by that financial instrument;

Amendment

(ii) in the context of financial instruments, a ***strategic plan*** contribution to a financial instrument and the subsequent financial support provided to final recipients by that financial instrument;

Amendment 82

Proposal for a regulation

Article 3 – paragraph 1 – point h – point i

Text proposed by the Commission

(i) a public or private law body, an entity with or without legal personality ***or*** a natural person, responsible for initiating or both initiating and implementing

Amendment

(i) a public or private law body, an entity with or without legal personality, a natural person ***or a group of natural or legal persons***, responsible for initiating or

operations;

both initiating and implementing
operations;

Amendment 83

Proposal for a regulation

Article 3 – paragraph 1 – point h – point ii

Text proposed by the Commission

(ii) in the context of State aid schemes,
the **body** which receives the aid;

Amendment

(ii) in the context of State aid schemes,
the **entity** which receives the aid;

Amendment 84

Proposal for a regulation

Article 3 – paragraph 1 – point i

Text proposed by the Commission

(i) 'targets' means pre-agreed values to
be achieved **at** the end of the period in
relation to the result indicators included
under a specific objective;

Amendment

(i) 'targets' means pre-agreed values to
be achieved **by** the end of the period **of the
CAP Strategic Plan** in relation to the result
indicators included under a specific
objective;

Amendment 85

Proposal for a regulation

Article 3 – paragraph 1 – point j

Text proposed by the Commission

(j) 'milestones' means intermediate
targets to be achieved at a given point in
time during the CAP Strategic Plan period
in relation to the indicators included under
a specific objective.

Amendment

(j) 'milestones' means intermediate
targets to be achieved **by a Member State**
at a given point in time during **the CAP**
Strategic Plan period **to ensure timely
progress** in relation to the **results**
indicators included under a specific
objective.

Amendment 86

Proposal for a regulation

Article 4 – paragraph 1 – introductory part

Text proposed by the Commission

1. Member States shall provide in their CAP Strategic Plan the definitions of agricultural activity, agricultural area, eligible hectare, ***genuine*** farmer and young farmer:

Amendment

1. Member States shall provide in their CAP Strategic Plan the definitions of agricultural activity, agricultural area, eligible hectare, ***active*** farmer and young farmer ***and new farmer***:

Amendment 87

Proposal for a regulation

Article 4 – paragraph 1 – point b – introductory part

Text proposed by the Commission

(b) 'agricultural area' shall be defined in a way that it is composed of arable land, permanent crops and permanent grassland. The terms 'arable land', 'permanent crops' and 'permanent grassland' shall be further specified by Member States within the following framework:

Amendment

(b) 'agricultural area' shall be defined in a way that it is composed of arable land, permanent crops and permanent grassland ***and agroforestry systems. Landscape features shall be included as components of the agricultural area.*** The terms 'arable land', 'permanent crops' and 'permanent grassland' ***and 'agroforestry systems'*** shall be further specified by Member States within the following framework:

Amendment 88

Proposal for a regulation

Article 4 – paragraph 1 – point b – point i

Text proposed by the Commission

(i) 'arable land' shall be land cultivated for crop production or areas available for crop production but lying fallow, and include areas set aside in accordance with Articles 22, 23 and 24 of Council Regulation (EC) No 1257/1999²⁸, with Article 39 of Council Regulation (EC) No 1698/2005²⁹, with Article 28 of Regulation (EU) No 1305/2013 or with Article 65 of

Amendment

(i) 'arable land' shall be land cultivated for crop production or areas available for crop production but lying fallow, ***and it may include a combination of crops with trees and/or shrubs to form a silvoarable agroforestry system,*** and include areas set aside in accordance with Articles 22, 23 and 24 of Council Regulation (EC) No 1257/1999²⁸, with Article 39 of Council

this Regulation;

Regulation (EC) No 1698/2005²⁹, with Article 28 of Regulation (EU) No 1305/2013 or with Article 65 of this Regulation;

²⁸ Council Regulation (EC) No 1257/1999 of 17 May 1999 on support for rural development from the European Agricultural Guidance and Guarantee Fund (EAGGF) and amending and repealing certain Regulations (OJ L 160, 26.6.1999, p. 80).

²⁹ Council Regulation (EC) No 1698/2005 of 20 September 2005 on support for rural development by the European Agricultural Fund for Rural Development (EAFRD) (OJ L 277, 21.10.2005, p. 1).

²⁸ Council Regulation (EC) No 1257/1999 of 17 May 1999 on support for rural development from the European Agricultural Guidance and Guarantee Fund (EAGGF) and amending and repealing certain Regulations (OJ L 160, 26.6.1999, p. 80).

²⁹ Council Regulation (EC) No 1698/2005 of 20 September 2005 on support for rural development by the European Agricultural Fund for Rural Development (EAFRD) (OJ L 277, 21.10.2005, p. 1).

Amendment 89

Proposal for a regulation

Article 4 – paragraph 1 – point b – point iii

Text proposed by the Commission

(iii) 'permanent grassland and permanent pasture' (together referred to as 'permanent grassland') ***shall be land not included in the crop rotation of the holding for five years or more***, used to grow grasses or other herbaceous forage naturally (self-seeded) or through cultivation (sown). It may include other species such as shrubs and/or trees which can be grazed or produce animal feed;

Amendment

(iii) 'permanent grassland and permanent pasture' (together referred to as 'permanent grassland') ***means land*** used to grow grasses or other herbaceous forage naturally (self-seeded) or through cultivation (sown) ***and that has not been included in the crop rotation of the holding for seven years or more, as well as, where Member States so decide, that has not been ploughed up for five years or more***; it may include other species such as shrubs and/or trees which can be grazed or ***and, where Member States so decide, other species such as shrubs and/or trees which*** produce animal feed, ***provided that the grasses and other herbaceous forage remain predominant. Member States may also decide to consider as permanent grassland:***

(i) land which can be grazed and which forms part of established local practices

where grasses and other herbaceous forage are traditionally not predominant in grazing areas; and/or

(ii) land which can be grazed where grasses and other herbaceous forage are not predominant or are absent in grazing areas;

Amendment 90

Proposal for a regulation

Article 4 – paragraph 1 – point b – point iii a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(iiia) 'agroforestry systems' means land use systems in which trees are grown on the same land as where agricultural practices are carried out;

Amendment 91

Proposal for a regulation

Article 4 – paragraph 1 – point c – introductory part

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(c) for the purpose of types of interventions in the form of direct payments, 'eligible hectare' shall be defined in a way that it includes any agricultural area of the holding:

(c) for the purpose of types of interventions in the form of direct payments, 'eligible hectare' shall be defined in a way that it includes any agricultural area of the holding, *including mobile or stationary temporary technical installations, in particular internal farm tracks and water troughs, as well as silage bales and rewetted areas used for paludiculture:*

Amendment 92

Proposal for a regulation

Article 4 – paragraph 1 – point c – point i

Text proposed by the Commission

(i) that, during the year for which support is requested, is used for an agricultural activity or, where the area is also used for non-agricultural activities, is predominantly used for agricultural activities, and which is at the farmer's disposal. Where duly justified for environmental reasons, eligible hectares may also include certain areas used for agricultural activities only every **second** year.

Amendment

(i) that, during the year for which support is requested, is used for an agricultural activity or, where the area is also used for non-agricultural activities, is predominantly used for agricultural activities, and which is at the farmer's disposal. Where duly justified for environmental reasons, eligible hectares may also include certain areas used for agricultural activities only every **third** year.

Amendment 93

Proposal for a regulation

Article 4 – paragraph 1 – point c – subparagraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

Areas used for the production of hemp shall only be eligible hectares if the varieties used have a tetrahydrocannabinol content not exceeding **0,2** %;

Amendment

Areas used for the production of hemp shall only be eligible hectares if the varieties used have a tetrahydrocannabinol content not exceeding **0,3**%;

Amendment 94

Proposal for a regulation

Article 4 – paragraph 1 – point d

Text proposed by the Commission

(d) '**genuine** farmers' shall be defined **in** a way to ensure that no support is granted to those whose agricultural activity forms only an insignificant part of their overall economic activities **or whose principal business activity is not agricultural**, while not precluding from support pluri-active farmers. The definition shall **allow to determine which farmers are not considered genuine farmers, based on conditions such as income tests, labour inputs on the farm, company object**

Amendment

(d) '**active** farmers' shall be defined **by Member States in such** a way **as** to ensure that no support is granted to those whose agricultural activity **forms** only an insignificant part of their overall economic activities, while not precluding from support pluri-active farmers. The definition shall, **in any event, preserve the family farming model of the Union of an individual or group nature, irrespective of its size, and may take into account, if necessary, the special features of the regions defined in Article 349 TFEU.**

and/or inclusion in registers.

Member States may exclude from these definition individuals or companies carrying out large scale processing of agricultural products, with the exception of groups of farmers.

Amendment 95

Proposal for a regulation

Article 4 – paragraph 1 – point e – introductory part

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(e) 'young farmer' shall be defined in a way that it includes:

(e) 'young farmer' shall be defined in a way that it includes ***an age limit of 40 years old and:***

Amendment 96

Proposal for a regulation

Article 4 – paragraph 1 – point e – point i

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(i) ***a maximum age limit that may not exceed 40 years;***

deleted

Amendment 97

Proposal for a regulation

Article 4 – paragraph 1 – point e – point iii

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(iii) the appropriate training and/or skills ***required.***

(iii) the appropriate training and/or skills.

Amendment 98

Proposal for a regulation

Article 4 – paragraph 1 – point e – subparagraph 2 (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

When evaluating compliance with the conditions for being head of the holding, Member States shall take into account the specificities of partnership arrangements.

Amendment 99

Proposal for a regulation

Article 4 – paragraph 1 – point e a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(e a) 'new farmer' shall be defined in such a way that includes:

(i) the conditions for being 'head of the holding';

(ii) the appropriate training and/or skills;

(iii) an age limit over 40 years old.

A 'new farmer' under this definition shall not be recognised as a 'young farmer' as defined in point (e).

Amendment 100

Proposal for a regulation

Article 4 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(2) The Commission is empowered to adopt delegated acts in accordance with Article 138 supplementing this Regulation with rules making the granting of payments conditional upon the use of certified seeds of certain hemp varieties and the procedure for the determination of hemp varieties and the verification of their tetrahydrocannabinol content referred to in point (c) of paragraph 1 to preserve public health.

(2) The Commission is empowered to adopt delegated acts in accordance with Article 138 supplementing this Regulation with rules making the granting of payments conditional upon the use of certified seeds of certain hemp varieties and the procedure for the determination of hemp varieties and the verification of their tetrahydrocannabinol content referred to in point (c) of paragraph 1 ***of this Article*** to preserve public health.

Amendment 101

Proposal for a regulation

Article 5 – paragraph 1 – introductory part

Text proposed by the Commission

Support from the EAGF and EAFRD shall aim to further improve the sustainable development of farming, food and rural areas and shall contribute to achieving the following general objectives:

Amendment

In conjunction with the objectives of the CAP set out in Article 39 TFEU, support from the ***EAGF and*** EAFRD shall aim to further improve the sustainable development of farming, food and rural areas and shall contribute to achieving the following ***general objectives in the economic, environmental and social spheres***:

Amendment 102

Proposal for a regulation

Article 5 – paragraph 1 – point a

Text proposed by the Commission

(a) to foster a ***smart***, resilient and diversified agricultural sector ensuring food security;

Amendment

(a) to foster a ***modern, competitive***, resilient and diversified agricultural sector ensuring ***long term*** food security ***while safeguarding the family farm model***;

Amendment 103

Proposal for a regulation

Article 5 – paragraph 1 – point b

Text proposed by the Commission

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

Amendment

(b) to ***support and improve*** environmental ***protection, biodiversity*** and climate action and to contribute to the environmental- and climate-related objectives of the Union;

Amendment 104

Proposal for a regulation

Article 5 – paragraph 1 – point c

Text proposed by the Commission

(c) to strengthen the socio-economic fabric of rural areas.

Amendment

(c) to strengthen the socio-economic fabric of rural areas, ***in order to contribute to the creation and maintenance of employment, by guaranteeing a viable income for farmers, pursuing a fair standard of living for the entire agricultural population and tackling rural depopulation, with a particular focus on the less populated and the less developed regions, and balanced territorial development.***

Amendment 105

Proposal for a regulation

Article 5 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

Those objectives shall be complemented by the cross-cutting objective of modernising the sector by ***fostering*** and sharing of knowledge, innovation and digitalisation in agriculture and rural areas, and encouraging their uptake.

Amendment

Those objectives shall be complemented ***and interconnected with*** by the cross-cutting ***objective*** of modernising the sector by ***ensuring that farmers have access to research, training*** and sharing of knowledge ***and knowledge transfer services***, innovation and digitalisation in agriculture and rural areas, and encouraging their uptake.

Amendment 106

Proposal for a regulation

Article 6 – paragraph 1 – point a

Text proposed by the Commission

(a) ***support*** viable farm income and resilience across the Union to enhance food security;

Amendment

(a) ***ensure*** viable farm income and resilience ***of the agricultural sector*** across the Union to enhance ***long-term*** food security ***and agricultural diversity, while***

providing safe and high quality food at fair prices with the aim of reversing the decline in the number of farmers and ensuring the economic sustainability of agricultural production in the Union;

Amendment 107

Proposal for a regulation

Article 6 – paragraph 1 – point b

Text proposed by the Commission

(b) enhance market orientation and increase competitiveness, **including** greater focus on research, technology and digitalisation;

Amendment

(b) enhance market orientation, **in local, national, Union as well as international markets, as well as market stabilisation, risk and crisis management,** and increase **long term farm** competitiveness, **processing and marketing capabilities of agricultural products, with** greater focus on **quality differentiation,** research, **innovation,** technology, **knowledge transfer and exchange** and digitalisation, **and facilitating the access of farmers to circular economy dynamics;**

Amendment 108

Proposal for a regulation

Article 6 – paragraph 1 – point c

Text proposed by the Commission

(c) improve the farmers' position in the value **chain**;

Amendment

(c) improve the farmers' **bargaining** position in the value **chains by encouraging associative forms, producer organisations and collective negotiations, as well as promoting short supply chains and improving market transparency;**

Amendment 109

Proposal for a regulation

Article 6 – paragraph 1 – point d

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(d) contribute to climate change mitigation and adaptation, as well as sustainable energy;

(d) contribute to climate change mitigation and adaptation ***to global warming***, as well as ***favouring the incorporation of*** sustainable energy ***while ensuring food security in the future, by reducing the greenhouse gas emissions of the agricultural and food sector, including through soil carbon sequestration and the protection of forests, in accordance with the relevant international agreements***;

Amendment 110

Proposal for a regulation

Article 6 – paragraph 1 – point e

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(e) foster sustainable development and efficient management of natural resources such as water, soil and air;

(e) foster sustainable development and efficient management of natural resources, such as water, soil and air, ***while reducing chemical dependency with the aim of reaching the goals provided for in the relevant legislative instruments and rewarding farming practices and systems that deliver multiple environmental benefits including the halting of desertification***;

Amendment 111

Proposal for a regulation

Article 6 – paragraph 1 – point f

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(f) contribute to ***the protection*** of biodiversity, ***enhance ecosystem*** services ***and preserve*** habitats and landscapes;

(f) contribute to ***reversing the decline*** of biodiversity, ***including by protecting beneficial fauna, including pollinator species, promoting agrobiodiversity, environmental*** services, ***nature conservation and agroforestry, as well as contributing preventing natural risk and***

achieving greater resilience, restoring and preserving soils, water bodies, habitats and landscapes, and supporting High Nature Value (HNV) farming systems;

Amendment 112

Proposal for a regulation

Article 6 – paragraph 1 – point g

Text proposed by the Commission

(g) attract young farmers **and** facilitate business development in rural areas;

Amendment

(g) attract **and support** young farmers, **new farmers, and promoting the participation of women in the agricultural sector, particularly in the most depopulated areas and areas with natural constraints;** facilitate **training and experience across the Union, sustainable** business development **and job creation** in rural areas;

Amendment 113

Proposal for a regulation

Article 6 – paragraph 1 – point h

Text proposed by the Commission

(h) promote employment, growth, social inclusion **and** local development **in rural areas**, including bio-economy and sustainable forestry;

Amendment

(h) promote **social and territorial cohesion in rural areas including through** employment **creation**, growth, **investment**, social inclusion, **combatting rural poverty and through** local development, including **high quality local services for rural communities, focusing in particular on areas with natural constraints; promoting decent living, working and economic conditions; diversification of activities and income, including agri-tourism**, bio-economy, **circular economy**, and sustainable forestry, **while ensuring gender equality; promoting equal opportunities in rural areas through specific support measures, and recognition of women's work in agriculture, crafts, tourism and local**

services;

Amendment 114

Proposal for a regulation

Article 6 – paragraph 1 – point i

Text proposed by the Commission

(i) improve the response of EU agriculture to societal demands on food and health, including safe, nutritious and sustainable food, food waste, as well as animal welfare.

Amendment

(i) improve the response of EU agriculture to societal demands on food and health, including safe, nutritious, **high quality** and sustainable food, **organic agriculture**, food waste, as well as **environmental sustainability, antimicrobial resistance and improving animal health and welfare, as well as increasing social awareness of the importance of agriculture and rural areas while contributing to the implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development.**

Amendment 115

Proposal for a regulation

Article 6 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

2. **When pursuing the** specific objectives Member States shall ensure **simplification and** performance of **the** CAP support.

Amendment

2. **With a view to achieving** specific objectives, Member States **and the Commission** shall ensure **the** performance of CAP support **and simplification for final beneficiaries by reducing the administrative burden while ensuring non-discrimination among beneficiaries.**

Amendment 116

Proposal for a regulation

Article 7 – paragraph 1 – subparagraph 1 – introductory part

Text proposed by the Commission

Achievement of the objectives referred to

Amendment

Achievement of the objectives referred to

in Articles 5 and 6(1) shall be assessed on the basis of common indicators related to output, result and impact. The set of common indicators shall include:

in Articles 5 and 6(1) shall be assessed on the basis of common indicators related to output, result and impact ***and shall be based on official sources of information.*** The set of common indicators shall include:

Amendment 117

Proposal for a regulation

Article 7 – paragraph 1 – subparagraph 1 – point b

Text proposed by the Commission

(b) result indicators relating to the specific objectives concerned and used for the establishment of quantified milestones and targets in relation to those specific objectives in the CAP Strategic Plans and assessing progress towards the targets. The indicators relating to environment- and climate-specific objectives may cover interventions ***included in relevant national environmental and climate-planning instruments*** emanating from the Union legislation listed in Annex XI;

Amendment

(b) result indicators relating to the specific objectives concerned and used for the establishment of quantified milestones and targets in relation to those specific objectives in the CAP Strategic Plans and assessing progress towards the targets. The indicators relating to environment- and climate-specific objectives may cover interventions ***which contribute to the commitments*** emanating from the Union legislation listed in Annex XI;

Amendment 118

Proposal for a regulation

Article 7 – paragraph 1 – subparagraph 1 – point c

Text proposed by the Commission

(c) impact indicators related to the objectives set out in Articles 5 and 6(1) and used in the context of the CAP ***Strategic Plans and of*** the CAP.

Amendment

(c) impact indicators related to the objectives set out in Articles 5 and 6(1) and used in the context of ***the Strategic Plans of CAP, taking into account external factors beyond*** the CAP.

Amendment 119

Proposal for a regulation

Article 7 – paragraph 1 – subparagraph 2 a (new)

Member States may break down the output indicators and result indicators laid down in Annex I into more detail in relation to particular national and regional features in their Strategic Plans.

Amendment 120

Proposal for a regulation Article 7 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

2. The Commission is empowered to adopt delegated acts in accordance with Article 138 amending Annex I to adapt the common ***output, result and impact*** indicators ***to take*** into account the experience ***with their application and, where needed, to add new indicators.***

2. ***The Commission shall carry out a full assessment on the effectiveness of the output, result and impact indicators laid down in Annex I by the end of the third year of application of the Strategic Plans.***

Following that assessment, the Commission is empowered to adopt delegated acts, in accordance with Article 138, amending Annex I to adapt, if necessary, the common indicators taking into account the experience gained during the policy implementation of this Regulation.

Amendment 121

Proposal for a regulation Article 8 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

Member States shall pursue the objectives set out in Title II by specifying interventions based on the types of interventions set out in Chapters II, III and IV of this Title in accordance with the common requirements set out in this Chapter.

Member States, ***and, where applicable, their regions,*** shall pursue the objectives set out in Title II by specifying interventions based on the types of interventions set out in Chapters II, III and IV of this Title in accordance with the common requirements set out in this

Amendment 122

Proposal for a regulation Article 9 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

Member States shall design the interventions of their CAP Strategic Plans in accordance with the Charter of Fundamental Rights of the European Union and the general principles of Union law.

Amendment

Member States shall design, ***in collaboration, where applicable, with their regions,*** the interventions of their CAP Strategic Plans in accordance with the Charter of Fundamental Rights of the European Union and the general principles of Union law.

Amendment 123

Proposal for a regulation Article 9 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

Member States shall ensure that interventions are set out on the basis of objective and non-discriminatory criteria, ***are compatible with*** the internal market ***and do not distort competition.***

Amendment

Member States ***in collaboration, where applicable, with their regions,*** shall ensure that interventions are set out on the basis of objective and non-discriminatory criteria, ***and do not hinder the proper functioning of*** the internal market.

Amendment 124

Proposal for a regulation Article 9 – paragraph 3

Text proposed by the Commission

Member States shall establish the legal framework governing the granting of Union support to beneficiaries on the basis of the CAP Strategic Plan and in accordance with the principles and requirements set out in this Regulation and Regulation (EU) [HzR].

Amendment

Member States ***in collaboration, where applicable, with their regions,*** shall establish the legal framework governing the granting of Union support to beneficiaries on the basis of the CAP Strategic Plan and in accordance with the principles and requirements set out in this

Amendment 125

**Proposal for a regulation
Article 9 a (new)**

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

Article 9a

Integration of a gender perspective

Member States shall ensure the integration of a gender perspective throughout the preparation, implementation and evaluation of their CAP Strategic Plans, with the aim of promoting gender equality and combating gender discrimination.

Amendment 126

**Proposal for a regulation
Article 10 – paragraph -1 (new)**

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

-1. The Commission shall ensure that the Member States' Strategic Plans comply with the World Trade Organisation (WTO) commitments.

Amendment 127

**Proposal for a regulation
Article 10 – paragraph 1 – subparagraph 1**

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

Member States shall ensure that the interventions based on the types of interventions which are listed in Annex II to this Regulation, including the definitions set out in Article 3 and the definitions to be

Interventions based on the types of interventions which are listed in Annex II to this Regulation, including the definitions set out in Article 3 and the definitions to be formulated in the CAP Strategic Plans set

formulated in the CAP Strategic Plans set out in Article 4, respect the provisions of paragraph 1 of Annex 2 to the WTO Agreement on Agriculture.

out in Article 4, **shall** respect the provisions of paragraph 1 of Annex 2 to the WTO Agreement on Agriculture.

Amendment 128

Proposal for a regulation Article 10 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

2. Member States shall ensure that the interventions based on the crop-specific payment for cotton provided for in Subsection 2 of Section 3 of Chapter II of this Title respect the provisions of Article 6(5) of the WTO Agreement on Agriculture.

deleted

Amendment 129

Proposal for a regulation Article 11 – paragraph 1 – introductory part

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

1. Member States shall include in their CAP Strategic Plans a system of conditionality, **under which an administrative penalty shall be imposed on beneficiaries receiving direct payments under Chapter II of this Title or the annual premia under Articles 65, 66 and 67 who do not comply with the** statutory management requirements under Union law and the standards for good agricultural and environmental condition of land established in the CAP Strategic Plan, **as listed in Annex III**, relating to the following specific areas:

1. Member States shall include in their CAP Strategic Plans a system of conditionality, which **corresponds to** statutory management requirements under Union law and the standards for good agricultural and environmental condition of land, **as listed in Annex III**, established in the CAP Strategic Plan, relating to the following specific areas:

Amendment 130

Proposal for a regulation Article 11 – paragraph 1 – point a

Text proposed by the Commission

- (a) the climate and the environment;

Amendment

- (a) the climate and the environment,
***including water quality, soil conservation
and biodiversity;***

Amendment 131

Proposal for a regulation Article 11 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

2. The rules on ***the*** administrative penalties ***to be included in the CAP Strategic Plan shall respect the requirements set out*** in Chapter IV of Title IV of Regulation (EU) [HzR].

Amendment

2. The rules on ***an effective system of*** administrative penalties, ***as laid down*** in Chapter IV of Title IV of Regulation (EU) [HzR], ***shall apply to all beneficiaries receiving direct payments under Chapter II of this Title or annual premiums under Articles 65, 66 and 67 when they do not comply with the conditionality rules set out paragraph 1 of this Article.***

Amendment 132

Proposal for a regulation Article 11 – paragraph 2 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

- 2 a. The Commission is empowered to adopt delegated acts in accordance with Article 138 supplementing this Regulation regarding temporary derogations on conditionality rules during disease epidemics, adverse climate events, catastrophic events or natural disasters.***

Amendment 133

Proposal for a regulation Article 12 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

1. Member States shall ensure that all agricultural areas including land which is no longer used for production purposes, is maintained in good agricultural and environmental condition. Member States shall define, at national or regional level, minimum standards for beneficiaries **for** good agricultural and environmental condition of land in line with the main objective of the standards as referred to in Annex III, taking into account the specific characteristics of the areas concerned, including soil and climatic condition, existing farming systems, land use, crop rotation, farming practices, and farm structures.

Amendment

1. Member States shall ensure that all agricultural areas, including land which is no longer used for production purposes, is maintained in good agricultural and environmental condition. Member States shall define, ***in consultation with relevant stakeholders*** at national or, ***where appropriate, at*** regional level, minimum standards for beneficiaries good agricultural and environmental condition of land in line with the main objective of the standards as referred to in Annex III, ***to the extent applicable***, taking into account the specific characteristics of the areas concerned, including soil, ***water***, and climatic condition, ***specific agronomic and ecological characteristics of different productions, differences between annual crops, permanent crops and other specialised productions***, existing farming systems, land use, crop rotation, farming ***local and traditional*** practices, and farm structures, ***by ensuring the land contributes to the specific objectives set out in points (d), (e) and (f) of Article 6(1)***.

Amendment 134

**Proposal for a regulation
Article 12 – paragraph 2**

Text proposed by the Commission

2. In respect of the main objectives laid down in Annex III Member States ***may*** prescribe standards additional to those laid down in that Annex against those main objectives. ***However***, Member States shall not define minimum standards for main objectives other than the main objectives laid down in Annex III.

Amendment

2. In ***order to protect the commonality of the CAP and to ensure a level playing field, and*** respect of the main objectives laid down in Annex III Member States ***shall not*** prescribe standards additional to those laid down in that Annex against those main objectives, ***within the system of conditionality. In addition***, Member States shall not define minimum standards for main objectives other than

the main objectives laid down in Annex III.

Amendment 135

Proposal for a regulation Article 12 – paragraph 3

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

3. Member States shall establish a system for providing the Farm Sustainability Tool for Nutrients referred to in Annex III, with the minimum content and functionalities defined therein, to beneficiaries, who shall use the Tool.

deleted

The Commission may support the Member States with the design of that Tool and with data storage and processing services requirements.

Amendment 136

Proposal for a regulation Article 12 – paragraph 3 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

3a. Member States may approve practices equivalent to those specified in paragraph 1, to be determined in accordance with the criteria established through delegated act, as provided for in paragraph 4, provided that they yield an equivalent or higher level of benefit for the climate and environment to that of one or more of the practices to which paragraph 1 refers. Such equivalent practices shall include:

(a) commitments undertaken in accordance with Article 65 or Article 28(2) of Regulation (EU) No 1305/2013;

(b) commitments undertaken in accordance with Article 28 of this Regulation;

(c) national or regional environmental certification schemes, including those for the certification of compliance with national environmental legislation, going beyond the mandatory standards established pursuant to Annex III to this Regulation, which aim to meet objectives relating to soil and water quality, biodiversity, landscape preservation, and climate change mitigation and adaptation.

Amendment 137

Proposal for a regulation

Article 12 – paragraph 3 b (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

3b. Farmers satisfying the requirements laid down in Regulation (EU) No 2018/848 on organic agriculture shall, in doing so, be deemed to comply with rules 1, 8 and 9 on standards for good agricultural and environmental condition of land (GAEC) as laid down in Annex III to this Regulation.

Amendment 138

Proposal for a regulation

Article 12 – paragraph 3 c (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

3c. The outermost regions of the Union, defined pursuant to Article 349 TFEU and the smaller Aegean islands as defined in Article 1(2) of Regulation (EU) No 229/2013, shall be exempt from the standards of good agricultural and environmental condition of lands requirements 1, 2, 8 and 9, as laid down in Annex III to this Regulation.

Amendment 139

Proposal for a regulation

Article 12 – paragraph 3 d (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

3d. Member States shall provide the beneficiaries concerned, where appropriate by the use of electronic means, with the list of the requirements and standards to be applied at farm level, as well as clear and precise information thereon.

Amendment 140

Proposal for a regulation

Article 12 – paragraph 4

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

4. The Commission is empowered to adopt delegated acts in accordance with Article 138 supplementing this Regulation with rules ***for good agricultural and environmental condition, including establishing the*** elements of the system of the ratio of permanent grassland, ***the year of reference*** and the rate of conversion under GAEC 1 as referred ***to*** in Annex III, ***the format and additional minimum elements and functionalities of the Farm Sustainability Tool for Nutrients.***

4. The Commission is empowered to adopt delegated acts in accordance with Article 138 supplementing this Regulation with rules ***in relation to:***

(a) further elements of the system of the ratio of permanent grassland and the rate of conversion under GAEC 1 as referred in Annex III;

(b) criteria for the determination of equivalent measures;

(c) rules laying down the appropriate requirements applicable to the national or regional certification schemes referred to in point (c) of paragraph 3a, including the level of guarantee offered by those schemes.

Amendment 141

Proposal for a regulation Article 13 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

1. Member States shall include in the CAP Strategic Plan a system providing services for advising farmers and other beneficiaries of CAP support on land management and farm management ('farm advisory services').

Amendment

1. Member States shall include in the CAP Strategic Plan a system providing ***quality and independent*** services for advising farmers and other beneficiaries of CAP support on land management and farm management ('farm advisory services') ***which, when appropriate, shall build upon any already existing systems at Member States level. Member States shall allocate an appropriate budget for the funding of those services and a brief description of those services shall be included in the national CAP Strategic Plans.***

Amendment 142

Proposal for a regulation Article 13 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

2. The farm advisory services shall cover economic, environmental and social dimensions and deliver up to date technological and scientific information developed by research and innovation. They shall be integrated within the interrelated services of farm ***advisors***, researchers, farmer organisations and other relevant stakeholders that form the Agricultural Knowledge and Innovation Systems (AKIS).

Amendment

2. The farm advisory services shall cover economic, environmental and social dimensions and deliver up to date technological and scientific information developed by research and innovation, ***taking account of traditional farming practices and techniques***. They shall be integrated within the interrelated services of farm ***advisory networks***, researchers, farmer organisations, ***cooperatives*** and other relevant stakeholders that form the Agricultural Knowledge and Innovation Systems (AKIS).

Amendment 143

Proposal for a regulation

Article 13 – paragraph 3

Text proposed by the Commission

3. Member States shall ensure that the farm advice given is impartial and that advisors have no conflict of interest.

Amendment

3. Member States shall ensure that the farm advice given is impartial, ***adapted to the whole range of means of production and farms*** and that advisors have no conflict of interest .

Amendment 144

Proposal for a regulation

Article 13 – paragraph 3 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

3a. Member States shall ensure that farm advisory services are equipped to provide advice on both production and the provision of public goods.

Amendment 145

Proposal for a regulation

Article 13 – paragraph 4 – introductory part

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

4. The farm advisory services shall cover at least the following:

4. The farm advisory services ***established by the Member State*** shall cover at least the following:

Amendment 146

Proposal for a regulation

Article 13 – paragraph 4 – point a

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(a) all requirements, conditions and management commitments applying to farmers and other beneficiaries set in the

(a) all requirements, conditions and management commitments applying to farmers and other beneficiaries set in the

CAP Strategic Plan, including requirements and standards under conditionality and conditions for support schemes as well as information on financial instruments and business plans established under the CAP Strategic Plan;

CAP Strategic Plan, including requirements and standards under conditionality, ***eco-schemes, environmental, climate and other management commitments under Article 65*** and conditions for support schemes as well as information on financial instruments and business plans established under the CAP Strategic Plan;

Amendment 147

Proposal for a regulation

Article 13 – paragraph 4 – point d

Text proposed by the Commission

(d) risk management ***as referred to in Article 70;***

Amendment

(d) risk ***prevention and*** management;

Amendment 148

Proposal for a regulation

Article 13 – paragraph 4 – point f a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(fa) techniques to optimise the economic performance of production systems, the improvement of competitiveness, market orientation, short supply chains and the promotion of entrepreneurship;

Amendment 149

Proposal for a regulation

Article 13 – paragraph 4 – point f b (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(fb) specific advice for farmers setting up for the first time;

Amendment 150

Proposal for a regulation

Article 13 – paragraph 4 – point f c (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(fc) safety standards and well-being in farming communities;

Amendment 151

Proposal for a regulation

Article 13 – paragraph 4 – point f d (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(fd) the sustainable management of nutrients;

Amendment 152

Proposal for a regulation

Article 13 – paragraph 4 – point f e (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(fe) improvement of agro ecological and agroforestry practices and techniques on both agricultural and forest lands;

Amendment 153

Proposal for a regulation

Article 13 – paragraph 4 – point f f (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(ff) concentration on producer organisations and other farmer groups;

Amendment 154

Proposal for a regulation

Article 13 – paragraph 4 – point f g (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(fg) assistance to farmers who wish to change production, in particular due to changes in consumer demand, with advice concerning the new skills and equipment required;

Amendment 155

Proposal for a regulation

Article 13 – paragraph 4 – point f h (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(fh) land mobility and succession planning services;

Amendment 156

Proposal for a regulation

Article 13 – paragraph 4 – point f i (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(fi) all agricultural practices which make it possible to reduce the use of fertilisers and plant protection products by promoting natural methods of soil fertility improvement and pest control; and

Amendment 157

Proposal for a regulation

Article 13 – paragraph 4 – point f j (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(fj) improving resilience and adapting to climate change.

Amendment 158

Proposal for a regulation

Article 13 – paragraph 4 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

4a. *Without prejudice to national law and other relevant provisions of Union law, persons and entities in charge of advisory services shall not disclose to any person other than the advised farmer or beneficiary any personal or business information or data relating to the farmer or beneficiary in question, which has been acquired in the course of their advisory assignment, with the exception of infringements subject to mandatory reporting to public authorities under national or Union law.*

Amendment 159

Proposal for a regulation

Article 13 – paragraph 4 b (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

4b. *Member States shall also ensure by means of appropriate public procedure that advisors working within the farm advisory system are suitably qualified and regularly trained.*

Amendment 160

Proposal for a regulation

Article 14 – paragraph 2 – point d

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(d) the schemes for the climate **and** the environment.

(d) the schemes for the climate, the environment **and animal welfare; and**

Amendment 161

Proposal for a regulation

Article 14 – paragraph 2 – point d a (new)

(da) the schemes for boosting competitiveness;

Amendment 162

Proposal for a regulation

Article 15 – paragraph 1 – introductory part

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

1. Member States shall reduce the amount of direct payments to be granted to a farmer pursuant to this Chapter for a given calendar year **exceeding EUR 60 000 as follows:**

(a) by at least 25 % for the tranche between EUR 60 000 and EUR 75 000;

(b) by at least 50 % for the tranche between EUR 75 000 and EUR 90 000;

(c) by at least 75 % for the tranche between EUR 90 000 and EUR 100 000;

(d) by 100 % for the amount exceeding EUR 100 000.

1. Member States shall reduce the amount of direct payments to be granted to a farmer pursuant to this Chapter for a given calendar year **where that amount exceeds a threshold of EUR 100 000.**

Amendment 163

Proposal for a regulation

Article 15 – paragraph 2 – subparagraph 1 – introductory part

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

Before applying paragraph 1, Member States **shall** subtract from the amount of direct payments to be granted to a farmer pursuant to this Chapter in a given calendar year:

Before applying paragraph 1, Member States **may** subtract from the amount of direct payments to be granted to a farmer pursuant to this Chapter in a given calendar year:

Amendment 164

Proposal for a regulation

Article 15 – paragraph 2 – subparagraph 1 – point a

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(a) the salaries linked to an agricultural activity declared by the farmer, including taxes and social contributions related to employment; **and**

(a) **50% of** the salaries linked to an agricultural activity declared by the farmer, including taxes and social contributions related to employment;

Amendment 165

Proposal for a regulation

Article 15 – paragraph 2 – subparagraph 1 – point b

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(b) the equivalent cost of regular and unpaid labour linked to an agricultural activity practiced by persons working on the farm concerned who do not receive a salary, or who receive less remuneration than the amount normally paid for the services rendered, but are rewarded through the economic result of the farm business.

deleted

Amendment 166

Proposal for a regulation

Article 15 – paragraph 2 – subparagraph 1 – point b a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(ba) the direct support referred to in Articles 27 and 28;

Amendment 167

Proposal for a regulation

Article 15 – paragraph 2 – subparagraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

To calculate the amounts referred to in points ***a) and b)***, Member States shall use the average standard salaries linked to an agricultural activity at national or regional

To calculate the amounts referred to in points ***(a)***, Member States shall use ***the actual salary costs or*** the average standard salaries linked to an agricultural ***and***

level multiplied by the number of annual work units declared by the farmer concerned.

related activity at national or regional level multiplied by the number of annual work units declared by the farmer concerned.

Member States may use indicators on standard salary costs associated with various types of farm or reference data on employment generation by farm type.

Amendment 168

Proposal for a regulation

Article 15 – paragraph 3 – subparagraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

The estimated product of the reduction of payments shall ***primarily be used to contribute to the financing of*** the complementary redistributive income support for sustainability and thereafter of other interventions belonging to decoupled direct payments.

Amendment

The estimated product of the reduction of payments shall ***be prioritised to finance*** the complementary redistributive income support for sustainability and thereafter of other interventions belonging to decoupled direct payments.

Amendment 169

Proposal for a regulation

Article 15 – paragraph 3 – subparagraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

Member States may also use all or part of the product to finance types of interventions under the EAFRD as specified in Chapter IV by means of a transfer. Such transfer to the EAFRD shall be part of the CAP Strategic Plan financial tables and may be reviewed in **2023** in accordance with Article 90. ***It shall not be subject to the maximum limits for the transfers of funds from the EAGF to the EAFRD established under Article 90.***

Amendment

Member States may also use all or part of the product to finance types of interventions under the EAFRD as specified in Chapter IV by means of a transfer. Such transfer to the EAFRD shall be part of the CAP Strategic Plan financial tables and may be reviewed in **2024** in accordance with Article 90.

Amendment 170

Proposal for a regulation

Article 15 – paragraph 3 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

3a. In the case of a legal person, or a group of natural or legal persons, Member States may apply the reduction referred to in paragraph 1 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.

Amendment 171

Proposal for a regulation

Article 15 – paragraph 3 b (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

3b. Where a Member State grants complementary redistributive income support to farmers under Article 26 and to that end uses at least 10% of its allocation for direct payments laid down in Annex IV, it may decide to waive the application of this Article.

Amendment 172

Proposal for a regulation

Article 15 – paragraph 3 c (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

3c. No advantage consisting of avoiding reductions of the payment shall be granted in favour of farmers in respect of whom it is established that they artificially created the conditions to avoid

the effects of this Article.

Amendment 173

Proposal for a regulation Article 15 – paragraph 4

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

4. *The Commission is empowered to adopt delegated acts in accordance with Article 138 supplementing this Regulation with rules establishing a harmonised basis for calculation for the reduction of payments laid down in paragraph 1 to ensure a correct distribution of the funds to the entitled beneficiaries.*

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Amendment 174

Proposal for a regulation Article 16 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

1. Member States shall grant decoupled direct payments under the conditions set out in this Section and as further specified in their CAP Strategic Plans.

1. Member States shall grant decoupled direct payments *to active farmers* under the conditions set out in this Section and as further specified in their CAP Strategic Plans.

Amendment 175

Proposal for a regulation Article 16 – paragraph 2 – subparagraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

Member States shall set an area threshold and only grant *decoupled* direct payments to *genuine* farmers whose *eligible area of the holding for which decoupled direct payments are claimed goes beyond this area threshold*.

Member States shall set an area threshold *and/or a minimum limit for direct payments* and only grant direct payments to *active* farmers whose *direct payment areas and/or volumes equal or exceed those thresholds*.

Amendment 176

Proposal for a regulation

Article 16 – paragraph 2 – subparagraph 2 – introductory part

Text proposed by the Commission

When setting the area threshold, Member States shall aim at ensuring that ***decoupled*** direct payments may only be granted to genuine farmers if:

Amendment

When setting the area threshold ***or minimum limit for payments***, Member States shall aim at ensuring that direct payments may only be granted to ***active*** farmers if:

Amendment 177

Proposal for a regulation

Article 16 – paragraph 2 – subparagraph 2 – point a

Text proposed by the Commission

(a) the management of the corresponding payments does not cause excessive administrative burden, and

Amendment

(a) the management of the corresponding payments ***equalling or exceeding those thresholds*** does not cause excessive administrative burden, and

Amendment 178

Proposal for a regulation

Article 16 – paragraph 2 – subparagraph 2 – point b

Text proposed by the Commission

(b) ***the corresponding amounts*** make an effective contribution to the objectives set out in Article 6(1) to which decoupled direct payments contribute.

Amendment

(b) ***the amounts received above the threshold established*** make an effective contribution to the objectives set out in Article 6(1) to which decoupled direct payments contribute.

Amendment 179

Proposal for a regulation

Article 16 – paragraph 3

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

3. The Member States concerned may decide not to apply **paragraph 1** to the outermost regions and to the smaller Aegean Islands.

3. The Member States concerned may decide not to apply **this Article** to the outermost regions and to the smaller Aegean Islands **and to the Balearic Islands archipelago**.

Amendment 180

Proposal for a regulation Article 17 – paragraph 2 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

2a. In specific situations where, owing to the nature of the farming system, farmers do not have land but have been granted aid in the form of the basic payment at the entry into force of this regulation, basic income support shall be an amount per holding.

Amendment 181

Proposal for a regulation Article 17 – paragraph 3

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

3. Without prejudice to Articles 19 to 24, the basic income support shall be granted for each eligible hectare declared by a **genuine** farmer.

3. Without prejudice to Articles 19 to 24, the basic income support shall be granted for each eligible hectare declared by **an active** farmer.

Amendment 182

Proposal for a regulation Article 18 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

2. Member States may decide to differentiate the amount of **the basic** income support **per hectare amongst** different groups of **territories faced with similar** socio-economic or agronomic conditions.

2. Member States may decide to differentiate the amount **per hectare** of income support **according to** different groups of **areas in accordance with** socio-economic, **environmental** or agronomic conditions. **Member States may decide to**

increase the amounts for regions with natural or area-specific handicaps, and depopulated areas.

Amendment 183

Proposal for a regulation

Article 18 – paragraph 2 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

2a. Member States may lay down mechanisms that restrict the number of national eligible hectares that can benefit from support, on the basis of a reference period decided by the Member State.

Amendment 184

Proposal for a regulation

Article 19 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

2. Where Member States having applied the basic payment scheme as laid down in Section 1 of Chapter I of Title III of Regulation (EU) No 1307/2013 decide not to grant the basic income support based on payment entitlements, the payment entitlements allocated under Regulation (EU) No 1307/2013 shall expire on 31 December **2020**.

2. Where Member States having applied the basic payment scheme as laid down in Section 1 of Chapter I of Title III of Regulation (EU) No 1307/2013 decide not to grant the basic income support based on payment entitlements, the payment entitlements allocated under Regulation (EU) No 1307/2013 shall expire on 31 December **2022. Member States which have already completed the internal adjustment process of the payment entitlements may decide to waive the payment entitlements earlier.**

Amendment 185

Proposal for a regulation

Article 20 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

1. Member States shall determine the

1. Member States shall determine the

unit value of payment entitlements before convergence in accordance with this Article by adjusting the value of payment entitlements proportionally to their value as established in accordance with Regulation (EU) No 1307/2013 for claim year **2020** and the related payment for agricultural practices beneficial for the climate and environment provided for in Chapter III of Title III of that Regulation for claim year **2020**.

Amendment 186

Proposal for a regulation Article 20 – paragraph 4

Text proposed by the Commission

4. Where the value of payment entitlements as determined in accordance with paragraph 1 is not uniform within a Member State or within a group of territories as defined in accordance with Article 18(2), Member States shall ensure a convergence of the value of payment entitlements towards a uniform unit value by claim year 2026 at the latest.

Amendment 187

Proposal for a regulation Article 20 – paragraph 5

Text proposed by the Commission

5. For the purposes of paragraph 4, Member States shall ensure that, for claim year **2026** at the latest, all payment entitlements have a value of at least 75% of the average planned unit amount for the basic income support for claim year **2026** as laid down in the CAP Strategic Plan transmitted in accordance with Article 106 (1) for the Member State or for the territories as defined in accordance with

unit value of payment entitlements before convergence in accordance with this Article by adjusting the value of payment entitlements proportionally to their value as established in accordance with Regulation (EU) No 1307/2013 for claim year **2021** and the related payment for agricultural practices beneficial for the climate and environment provided for in Chapter III of Title III of that Regulation for claim year **2021**.

Amendment

4. Where the value of payment entitlements as determined in accordance with paragraph 1 is not uniform within a Member State or within a group of territories as defined in accordance with Article 18(2), Member States shall ensure a **full** convergence of the value of payment entitlements towards a uniform unit value by claim year 2026 at the latest.

Amendment

5. For the purposes of paragraph 4, Member States shall ensure that, for claim year **2024** at the latest, all payment entitlements have a value of at least 75% of the average planned unit amount for the basic income support for claim year **2024** as laid down in the CAP Strategic Plan transmitted in accordance with Article 106 (1) for the Member State or for the territories as defined in accordance with

Article 18(2).

Article 18(2).

Amendment 188

Proposal for a regulation

Article 20 – paragraph 5 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

5a. For the purposes of paragraph 4, Member States shall ensure that, for the last claim year of the programming period at the latest, all payment entitlements have a value of 100% of the average planned unit amount for the basic income support for claim year 2026 as laid down in the CAP Strategic Plan transmitted in accordance with Article 106 (1) for the Member State or for the territories as defined in accordance with Article 18(2).

Amendment 189

Proposal for a regulation

Article 20 – paragraph 7

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

7. The reductions referred to in paragraph 6 shall be based on objective and non-discriminatory criteria. Without prejudice to the minimum set in accordance with paragraph 5, such criteria may include the fixing of a maximum decrease that may not be lower than 30%.

7. The reductions referred to in paragraph 6 shall be based on objective and non-discriminatory criteria. Without prejudice to the minimum set in accordance with paragraph 5, such criteria may include the fixing of a maximum decrease that may not be lower than 30% **per year**.

Amendment 190

Proposal for a regulation

Article 21 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

1. Member States shall grant ***genuine*** farmers holding owned or leased-in

1. Member States shall grant farmers holding owned or leased-in payment

payment entitlements basic income support upon activation of those payment entitlements. Member States shall ensure that for the purpose of the activation of payment entitlements ***genuine*** farmers declare the eligible hectares accompanying any payment entitlement.

entitlements basic income support upon activation of those payment entitlements. Member States shall ensure that for the purpose of the activation of payment entitlements ***active*** farmers declare the eligible hectares accompanying any payment entitlement.

Amendment 191

Proposal for a regulation Article 22 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

1. Each Member State deciding to grant the basic income support based on payment entitlements shall ***manage*** a national reserve.

Amendment

1. Each Member State deciding to grant the basic income support based on payment entitlements shall ***set up*** a national reserve, ***equivalent to a maximum of 3 % of the allocations laid down in Annex VII.***

Amendment 192

Proposal for a regulation Article 22 – paragraph 2 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

2a. Member States may exceed the percentage referred to in paragraph 1 where that is necessary to cover allocation requirements pursuant to points (a) and (b) of paragraph 4 and of paragraph 5.

Amendment 193

Proposal for a regulation Article 22 – paragraph 3

Text proposed by the Commission

3. Member States shall ensure that payment entitlements from the reserve be only allocated to ***genuine*** farmers.

Amendment

3. Member States shall ensure that payment entitlements from the reserve be only allocated to ***active*** farmers.

Amendment 194

Proposal for a regulation

Article 22 – paragraph 4 – point a

Text proposed by the Commission

(a) young farmers who have newly set up a holding for the first time;

Amendment

(a) young farmers who have newly set up a holding for the first time; **or**

Amendment 195

Proposal for a regulation

Article 22 – paragraph 4 – point b

Text proposed by the Commission

(b) farmers who have newly set up a holding for the first time, as head of the holding and with appropriate training or acquired necessary skills ***as defined by the Member States for young farmers.***

Amendment

(b) farmers who have newly set up a holding for the first time, as head of the holding and with appropriate training or acquired necessary skills ***and knowledge;***

Amendment 196

Proposal for a regulation

Article 22 – paragraph 4 – point b a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(ba) In the case of points (a) and (b) of the first subparagraph of this paragraph, Member States may give priority to women with a view to helping to meet the objective referred to in point (h) of Article 6(1).

Amendment 197

Proposal for a regulation

Article 22 – paragraph 4 a (new)

4a. *Member States may also identify, through objective and non-discriminatory criteria, other cases which, according to the needs assessment described in Article 96, are more vulnerable or more relevant to achieve the specific objectives set out in Article 6, as well as farmers who are newly making use of collectively managed areas.*

Amendment 198

Proposal for a regulation Article 22 – paragraph 5

Text proposed by the Commission

5. Member States shall allocate payment entitlements to, or increase the value of the existing payment entitlements of ***genuine*** farmers who are entitled by virtue of a definitive court ruling or by virtue of a definitive administrative act of the competent authority of a Member State. Member States shall ensure that those ***genuine*** farmers receive the number and value of payment entitlements established in that ruling or act at a date to be fixed by the Member State.

Amendment

5. Member States shall allocate payment entitlements to, or increase the value of the existing payment entitlements of ***active*** farmers who are entitled by virtue of a definitive court ruling or by virtue of a definitive administrative act of the competent authority of a Member State. Member States shall ensure that those ***active*** farmers receive the number and value of payment entitlements established in that ruling or act at a date to be fixed by the Member State.

Amendment 199

Proposal for a regulation Article 22 – paragraph 5 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

5a. *Member States may use the national reserve to increase basic support for income across the board or with a view to meeting specific objectives laid down in Article 6(1), on the basis of non-discriminatory criteria, provided that sufficient amounts remain available for*

the allocations laid down in paragraphs 4 and 5 of this Article.

Amendment 200

Proposal for a regulation

Article 23

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

Article 23

deleted

Delegated powers

The Commission is empowered to adopt delegated acts in accordance with Article 138 supplementing this Regulation with rules on:

- (a) the establishment of the reserve;*
- (b) on access to the reserve;*
- (c) the content of the declaration and the requirements for the activation of payment entitlements.*

Amendment 201

Proposal for a regulation

Article 24 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

1. Except in the case of transfer by actual or anticipated inheritance, payment entitlements shall be transferred only to a ***genuine*** farmer.

1. Except in the case of transfer by actual or anticipated inheritance, payment entitlements shall be transferred only to a ***active*** farmer.

Amendment 202

Proposal for a regulation

Article 24 – paragraph 1 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

1a. Payment entitlements may not be

given a market value.

Amendment 203

Proposal for a regulation Article 25 – title

Text proposed by the Commission

Round sum payment for small farmers

Amendment

Simplified scheme for small farmers

Amendment 204

Proposal for a regulation Article 25 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

Member States ***may grant payments to*** small farmers ***as defined by Member States by way of a round*** sum, replacing direct payments under this Section and Section 3 of this Chapter. Member States shall design the corresponding intervention in the CAP Strategic Plan as optional for the farmers.

Amendment

Member States ***shall introduce a simplified scheme for*** small farmers ***requesting support in respect of an amount of up to EUR 1 250. That scheme may consist of a lump*** sum, replacing direct payments under this Section and Section 3 of this Chapter, ***or a per-hectare payment, which may be different for different territories, defined in accordance with Article 18(2).*** Member States shall design the corresponding intervention in the CAP Strategic Plan as optional for the farmers.

Amendment 205

Proposal for a regulation Article 25 – paragraph 1 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

1a. Farmers wishing to participate in the simplified scheme shall submit an application no later than a date to be set by the Member State, without prejudice to the Member States being able to automatically include the farmers fulfilling the conditions and offering them

the possibility of withdrawing from it by a specific deadline.

Amendment 206

Proposal for a regulation Article 25 – paragraph 1 b (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

1b. For farmers participating in the simplified scheme, Member States may apply simplified conditionality checks, as laid down in Article 84 of Regulation (EU) [HzR].

Amendment 207

Proposal for a regulation Article 25 – paragraph 1 c (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

1c. Member States may establish rules and services for reducing administrative costs, supporting small farmers to cooperate.

Amendment 208

Proposal for a regulation Article 25 – paragraph 1 d (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

1d. Member States shall ensure that no advantage provided for in this Article shall be granted to farmers if it is established that they artificially created, after 1 June 2018, the conditions for receiving payments to small farmers.

Amendment 209

Proposal for a regulation

Article 26 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

2. Member States shall ensure redistribution of support from bigger to smaller or medium-sized farms by providing for a redistributive income support in the form of an annual decoupled payment per eligible hectare to farmers who are entitled to a payment under the basic income support referred to in Article 17.

Amendment

2. Member States shall ensure **a fair** redistribution of support from bigger to smaller or medium-sized farms by providing for a redistributive income support in the form of an annual decoupled payment per eligible hectare to farmers who are entitled to a payment under the basic income support referred to in Article 17.

Amendment 210

Proposal for a regulation Article 26 – paragraph 3

Text proposed by the Commission

3. Member States shall establish an amount per hectare or different amounts for different ranges of hectares, **as well as the maximum number of hectares per farmer for which the redistributive income support shall be paid.**

Amendment

3. Member States shall establish **a payment equivalent to** an amount per hectare or different amounts for different ranges of hectares. **They may differentiate those amounts in accordance with the territories defined pursuant to Article 18(2).**

Amendment 211

Proposal for a regulation Article 26 – paragraph 3 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

3a. The amount of the redistributive payment per hectare shall not be higher than 65 % of the basic income support for sustainability, in accordance with the national or territory average, multiplied by the number of eligible hectares.

Amendment 212

Proposal for a regulation

Article 26 – paragraph 3 b (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

3b. The number of eligible hectares per farmer shall not be greater than the national average size of holdings, or the average size in accordance with the territories defined pursuant to Article 18(2). Member States shall grant access to that payment starting from the first eligible hectare of the holding.

Amendment 213

Proposal for a regulation

Article 26 – paragraph 3 c (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

3c. Member States shall identify non-discriminatory criteria, with the objective laid down in point (a) of Article 6(1), for calculating the amount to be granted for complementary redistribution of income for sustainability in the context of the CAP Strategic Plans, and shall also set a financial ceiling above which farms shall not be entitled to the redistributive payment. Member States shall take into consideration the average level of farms' income at national or regional level. In the distribution criteria, they shall also take into consideration the natural and specific constraints faced by some regions, including island regions, in the development of their agricultural activity.

Amendment 214

Proposal for a regulation

Article 26 – paragraph 4

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

4. The amount per hectare planned for a given claim year shall not exceed the

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national average amount of direct payments per hectare for that claim year.

Amendment 215

Proposal for a regulation Article 26 – paragraph 5

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

5. *The national average amount of direct payments per hectare is defined as the ratio of the national ceiling for direct payments for a given claim year as laid down in Annex IV and the total planned outputs for the basic income support for that claim year, expressed in number of hectares.*

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Amendment 216

Proposal for a regulation Article 26 – paragraph 5 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

5a. *For a legal person, or a group of natural or legal persons, Member States may apply the maximum number of hectares referred to in paragraph 3 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 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.*

Amendment 217

Proposal for a regulation Article 26 – paragraph 5 b (new)

5b. Member States shall ensure that no advantage provided for under this Chapter is granted to farmers in respect of whom it is established that they divided their holding with the sole purpose of benefiting from the redistributive payment. This shall also apply to farmers whose holdings result from that division.

Amendment 218

Proposal for a regulation Article 27 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

1. Member States may provide for complementary income support for young farmers under the conditions set out in this Article and as further specified in their CAP Strategic Plans.

Amendment

1. Member States may provide for complementary income support for young farmers **defined in accordance with the criteria laid down in point (d) of Article 4(1)**, under the conditions set out in this Article and as further specified in their CAP Strategic Plans.

Amendment 219

Proposal for a regulation Article 27 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

2. As part of their obligations to **contribute to the specific objective 'attract young farmers and facilitate business development in rural areas'** set out in point (g) of Article 6(1) and to dedicate at least 2% of their allocations for direct payments to this objective in accordance with Article 86(4), Member States may provide a complementary income support for young farmers who have newly set up for the first time and who are entitled to a payment under the basic income support as

Amendment

2. As part of their obligations to attract young farmers **in line with the objective** set out in point (g) of Article 6(1) and to dedicate at least 2% of their allocations for direct payments to this objective, in accordance with Article 86(4), Member States may provide a complementary income support for young farmers who have newly set up for the first time **as head of the holding** and who are entitled to a payment under the basic income support as referred to in Article 17.

referred to in Article 17.

Amendment 220

Proposal for a regulation Article 27 – paragraph 3

Text proposed by the Commission

3. The complementary income support for young farmers shall take the form of an annual decoupled payment per eligible hectare.

Amendment

3. The complementary income support for young farmers ***shall be granted for a maximum period of seven years, starting from the date of the submission of the application for the payment for young farmers, and*** shall take the form of an annual decoupled payment per eligible hectare. ***It may be calculated at the national level or on the basis of the territories defined in accordance with Article 18(2).***

Amendment 221

Proposal for a regulation Article 27 – paragraph 3 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

3a. Young farmers who have received in the final year of application of Regulation (EU) No 1307/2013 the support provided for in Article 50 of that Regulation may receive the support provided for in this Article for the maximum total period referred to in the paragraph 3.

Amendment 222

Proposal for a regulation Article 27 – paragraph 3 b (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

3b. The payment shall be granted for a number of hectares not exceeding average

size of the farms at national level or according to the territories defined in Article 18(2).

Amendment 223

Proposal for a regulation Article 27 – paragraph 3 c (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

3c. Member States may lay down specific provisions relating to young farmers belonging to groups of farmers, producer organisations or cooperatives with the aim of ensuring they do not lose support pursuant to this Article when joining such entities.

Amendment 224

Proposal for a regulation Article 28 – title

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

Schemes for the climate **and the** environment

Schemes for the climate, environment **and animal welfare**

Amendment 225

Proposal for a regulation Article 28 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

1. Member States shall provide support for voluntary schemes for the climate **and the** environment ('eco-schemes') under the conditions set out in this Article and as further specified in their CAP Strategic Plans.

1. Member States shall **establish and** provide support for voluntary schemes for the climate, environment **and animal welfare** ('eco-schemes') under the conditions set out in this Article and as further specified in their CAP Strategic Plans.

Amendment 226

Proposal for a regulation

Article 28 – paragraph 1 – subparagraph 1 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

That support shall aim to preserve beneficial practices and/or promote the necessary conversion to practices and techniques that make a stronger contribution to the environment and climate.

Support may be directed towards commitments for agricultural practices in specific sectors and/or geographical areas defined by the Member States. Areas designated pursuant to Directives 92/43/EEC or 2009/147/EC shall automatically be regarded as eligible for the scheme.

Amendment 227

Proposal for a regulation

Article 28 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

2. Member States shall support under this type of intervention ***genuine*** farmers who make commitments to observe, ***on eligible hectares***, agricultural practices beneficial for the climate ***and the*** environment.

2. Member States shall support under this type of intervention ***active farmers or groups of*** farmers who make commitments to observe, agricultural practices ***and certified schemes*** beneficial for the climate environment ***and animal welfare, which lead to achieving one or more of the specific objectives defined in points (d), (e), (f) and (i) of Article 6(1), and are tailored to address specific national or regional needs.***

Amendment 228

Proposal for a regulation

Article 28 – paragraph 3

Text proposed by the Commission

3. **Member States** shall **establish the list** of agricultural practices beneficial for the climate **and** the environment.

Amendment

3. **The Commission** shall **adopt delegated acts, by ... [two months after the date of entry into force of this Regulation], in accordance with Article 138, supplementing this Regulation by establishing a catalogue of examples** of agricultural practices beneficial for the climate, the environment **and animal welfare, taking into account the conditions referred to in paragraph 4 of this Article.**

Member States may establish, in cooperation with, national, regional and local stakeholders, complementary national lists or draw from the examples in the catalogue referred to in the previous paragraph to take into account their specific needs.

Those lists shall consist of measures of a type other than those covered under Article 65, or of measures of the same nature but with a different level of ambition. Farmers may choose at least one of them in order to be eligible for aid.

Amendment 229

**Proposal for a regulation
Article 28 – paragraph 3 a (new)**

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

3a. **Member States shall, at least, include in those lists eco-schemes to set up a minimum share of agricultural area devoted to non-productive features or areas, the use of a farm tool for the sustainable management of nutrients, and, where applicable, appropriate maintenance of wetland and peatland.**

Amendment 230

Proposal for a regulation

Article 28 – paragraph 4

Text proposed by the Commission

4. Those practices shall be designed to meet one or more of the specific environmental- **and** climate-related objectives laid down in points (d), (e) **and (f)** of Article 6(1).

Amendment

4. **Each of** those practices shall be designed to meet one or more of the specific environmental, climate-related **and animal welfare** objectives laid down in points (d), (e), **(f) and (i)** of Article 6(1) .

Amendment 231

Proposal for a regulation

Article 28 – paragraph 5 – point b

Text proposed by the Commission

(b) go beyond the minimum requirements for the use of fertilisers and plant protection products, **animal welfare**, as well as other mandatory requirements established by **national and** Union law;

Amendment

(b) go beyond the minimum requirements for **animal welfare and the reduction of** the use of fertilisers and plant protection products as well as other mandatory requirements established by Union law;

Amendment 232

Proposal for a regulation

Article 28 – paragraph 5 – point d

Text proposed by the Commission

(d) are different from commitments in respect of which payments are granted under Article 65.

Amendment

(d) are different from, **or complementary to**, commitments in respect of which payments are granted under Article 65;

Amendment 233

Proposal for a regulation

Article 28 – paragraph 5 – point d a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(da) contribute to the maintenance of practices that are beneficial for the environment.

Amendment 234

Proposal for a regulation Article 28 – paragraph 6

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

6. Support for eco-schemes shall take the form of an annual payment per eligible hectare and it shall be granted as ***either:***

6. Support for eco-schemes shall take the form of an annual payment per eligible hectare ***or/and a per farm payment***, and it shall be granted as ***incentive payments going beyond compensation of additional costs incurred and income foregone, which may consist of a lump sum.***

(a) payments additional to the basic income support as set out in Subsection 2 of this Section; or

(b) payments compensating beneficiaries for all or part of the additional costs incurred and income foregone as a result of the commitments as set pursuant to Article 65.

Amendment 235

Proposal for a regulation Article 28 – paragraph 6 – subparagraph 1 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

The level of payments shall vary according to the level of ambition of sustainability of each intervention or set of interventions, based on non-discriminatory criteria, in order to offer an effective incentive for participation.

Amendment 236

Proposal for a regulation

Article 28 – paragraph 7

Text proposed by the Commission

7. Member States shall ensure that interventions under this Article are consistent with those granted under Article 65.

Amendment

7. Member States shall ensure that interventions under this Article are consistent with those granted under Article 65, ***assuring the adequate delimitation between the two types of interventions. Where the distinction between interventions decided under both articles is the level of environmental ambition, the Member State shall avoid double financing.***

Amendment 237

Proposal for a regulation

Article 28 – paragraph 8

Text proposed by the Commission

8. ***The Commission is empowered to adopt delegated acts in accordance with Article 138 supplementing this Regulation with further rules on the eco-schemes.***

Amendment

deleted

Amendment 238

Proposal for a regulation

Article 28 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

Article 28 a

Schemes for boosting competitiveness

1. ***Member States shall provide support for voluntary schemes for boosting competitiveness ('boost-schemes') under the conditions set out in this Article and as further specified in their CAP Strategic Plans***

- 2. Member States shall support under this type of intervention active farmers who make commitments to expenditure beneficial for boosting agricultural competitiveness of the farmer.*
- 3. Member States shall establish an eligible list of categories of expenditure beneficial for boosting competitiveness of the farmer.*
- 4. Those practices shall be designed to meet one or more of the specific economic objectives laid down in points (a), (b) and (c) of Article 6(1) and contributes to the cross-cutting objective as set out in Article 5.*
- 5. Under this type of interventions, Member States shall only provide payments covering commitments which do not result in double funding in respect of this Regulation*
- 6. Support for boost-schemes shall take the form of annual payment and it shall be granted as either:*
 - (a) payments based on eligible hectares additional to the basic income support as set out in Subsection 2 of this Section; or*
 - (b) payments compensating beneficiaries for all or part of the costs incurred; or*
 - (c) based on output relevant for this type of intervention*
- 7. Member States shall ensure that interventions under this Article are consistent with those granted under Articles 27, 28, 65, 68, 69, 70, 71 and 72.*
- 8. The Commission is empowered to adopt delegated acts in accordance with Article 138 supplementing this Regulation with further rules on the boost-schemes.*

Amendment 239

Proposal for a regulation

Article 29 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

1. Member States may grant coupled income support to ***genuine*** farmers under the conditions set out in this Subsection and as further specified in their CAP Strategic Plans.

Amendment

1. Member States may grant coupled income support to ***active*** farmers under the conditions set out in this Subsection and as further specified in their CAP Strategic Plans.

Amendment 240

Proposal for a regulation Article 29 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

2. The Member States' interventions shall help the supported sectors and productions or specific types of farming therein listed in Article 30 addressing the difficulty or difficulties they undergo by improving their competitiveness, their sustainability or their quality.

Amendment

2. The Member States' interventions shall help the supported sectors and productions or specific types of farming therein listed in Article 30 addressing the difficulty or difficulties they undergo by improving their competitiveness, their ***structuring, their*** sustainability or their quality. ***In addition, these interventions must be consistent with relevant specific objectives set out in Articles 6(1).***

Amendment 241

Proposal for a regulation Article 29 – paragraph 3

Text proposed by the Commission

3. Coupled ***income*** support shall take the form of an annual payment ***per hectare or animal***.

Amendment

3. Coupled support ***is a production-limiting scheme that*** shall take the form of an annual payment ***based on fixed areas and yields or on a fixed number of animals and shall respect financial ceilings to be determined by Member States for each measure and notified to the Commission***.

Amendment 242

Proposal for a regulation

Article 29 – paragraph 3 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

3a. Member States may decide to target or increase the coupled aid according to the beneficiary's commitment to improve its competitiveness, quality or the structuring of the sector.

Amendment 243

Proposal for a regulation

Article 30 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

Coupled income support may only be granted to the following sectors and productions or specific types of farming ***therein where these are important for economic, social or environmental reasons***: cereals, oilseeds, protein crops, grain legumes, flax, hemp, rice, nuts, starch potato, milk and milk products, seeds, sheepmeat and goatmeat, beef and veal, olive oil, silkworms, dried fodder, hops, sugar beet, cane and chicory, fruit and vegetables, short rotation coppice ***and other non-food crops, excluding trees, used for the production of products that have the potential to substitute fossil materials.***

Coupled income support may only be granted to the following sectors and productions or specific types of farming: cereals, oilseeds, protein crops, grain legumes, flax, hemp, rice, nuts, starch potato, milk and milk products, seeds, sheepmeat and goatmeat, beef and veal, olive oil, silkworms, dried fodder, hops, sugar beet, cane and chicory, fruit and vegetables, short rotation coppice.

Amendment 244

Proposal for a regulation

Article 31 – paragraph 1 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

1a. By way of derogation from paragraph 1, coupled support may be

granted to farmers who do not have eligible hectares at their disposal.

When granting coupled support, Member States shall ensure that the following conditions are fulfilled:

(a) there is a clear environmental, or socioeconomic need or benefit;

(b) the support does not create major distortions in the internal market; and

(c) support for livestock production shall be consistent with Directive 2000/60/EC.

Amendment 245

Proposal for a regulation Article 33

Text proposed by the Commission

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Amendment

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Amendment 246

Proposal for a regulation Article 34 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

Member States shall grant a crop-specific payment for cotton to ***genuine*** farmers producing cotton falling within CN code 5201 00 under the conditions laid down in this Subsection.

Amendment

Member States shall grant a crop-specific payment for cotton to ***active*** farmers producing cotton falling within CN code 5201 00 under the conditions laid down in this Subsection.

Amendment 247

Proposal for a regulation Article 36 – paragraph 3 – indent 1

Text proposed by the Commission

– Bulgaria: EUR ***624,11***,

Amendment

– Bulgaria: ***X*** EUR,

Amendment 248

Proposal for a regulation

Article 36 – paragraph 3 – indent 2

Text proposed by the Commission

– Greece: EUR **225,04**,

Amendment

– Greece: **X** EUR,

Amendment 249

Proposal for a regulation

Article 36 – paragraph 3 – indent 3

Text proposed by the Commission

– Spain: EUR **348,03**,

Amendment

– Spain: **X** EUR,

Amendment 250

Proposal for a regulation

Article 36 – paragraph 3 – indent 4

Text proposed by the Commission

– Portugal: EUR **219,09**

Amendment

– Portugal: **X** EUR

Amendment 251

Proposal for a regulation

Article 39 – paragraph 1 – point a

Text proposed by the Commission

(a) fruit and vegetables sector, as referred to in point (i) of Article 1(2) of Regulation (EU) No 1308/2013;

Amendment

(a) fruit and vegetables sector, as referred to in point (i) of Article 1(2) of Regulation (EU) No 1308/2013 **and such products as are earmarked for processing;**

Amendment 252

Proposal for a regulation

Article 39 – paragraph 1 – point f

Text proposed by the Commission

(f) other sectors referred to in points (a) to (h), (k), (m), (o) to (t) and (w) of Article 1(2) of Regulation (EU) No 1308/2013.

Amendment

(f) other sectors referred to in points (a) to (h), (k), (m), (o) to (t) and (w) of Article 1(2) of Regulation (EU) No 1308/2013, ***as well as protein crops.***

Amendment 253

**Proposal for a regulation
Article 40 – paragraph 3**

Text proposed by the Commission

3. Member States may choose in their CAP Strategic Plan to implement the sectoral types of interventions referred to in points (d), (e) and (f) of Article 39.

Amendment

3. Member States may choose in their CAP Strategic Plan to implement the sectoral types of interventions referred to in points (d), (e) and (f) of Article 39, ***and they shall substantiate their choice of sectors and type of interventions.***

Amendment 254

**Proposal for a regulation
Article 41 – paragraph 1 – point a**

Text proposed by the Commission

(a) ensuring the proper functioning of types of interventions laid down in this Chapter;

Amendment

(a) ensuring the proper functioning of types of interventions laid down in this Chapter, ***in particular with a view to avoid distortions of competition in the internal market;***

Amendment 255

**Proposal for a regulation
Article 41 – paragraph 1 – point a a (new)**

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(aa) providing support for producers organisations in relation to the fulfilment of their specific tasks under this Chapter;

Amendment 256

Proposal for a regulation

Article 41 – paragraph 1 – point c

Text proposed by the Commission

(c) the maximum level of Union financial assistance for market withdrawals referred to in point (a) of Article 46(4) and for the types of interventions referred to in Article 52(3);

Amendment

(c) the maximum level of Union financial assistance for market withdrawals referred to in point (a) of Article 46(4) and for the types of interventions referred to in Article 52(3), ***as well as fixed packaging and transport rates for products withdrawn for free distribution and processing costs prior to delivery for that purpose;***

Amendment 257

Proposal for a regulation

Article 41 – paragraph 1 – point c a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(ca) establishing the conditions for setting up and managing the operating fund as well as requests for aid and advances.

Amendment 258

Proposal for a regulation

Article 42 – paragraph 1 – introductory part

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

The following objectives shall be pursued in the fruit and vegetables sector:

In accordance with Articles 5 and 6, the following objectives shall be pursued in the fruit and vegetables sector:

Amendment 259

Proposal for a regulation

Article 42 – paragraph 1 – point b

Text proposed by the Commission

(b) concentration of supply and the placing on the market of the products of the fruit and vegetables sector, including through direct marketing; those objectives relate to the specific objectives set out in points (a) and (c) of Article 6(1);

Amendment

(b) concentration of supply and the placing on the market of the products of the fruit and vegetables sector, including through direct marketing **and short supply chains, as well as promoting the collective negotiation of contracts**; those objectives relate to the specific objectives set out in points (a), **(b)** and (c) of Article 6(1);

Amendment 260

Proposal for a regulation

Article 42 – paragraph 1 – point c

Text proposed by the Commission

(c) research and development of sustainable production methods, including pest resilience, innovative practices boosting economic competitiveness and bolstering market developments; those objectives relate to the specific objectives set out in points (a), (c) and (i) of Article 6(1);

Amendment

(c) **application**, research and development of sustainable production methods, including pest resilience, innovative practices boosting economic competitiveness and bolstering market developments; those objectives relate to the specific objectives set out in points (a), **(b)**, (c) and (i) of Article 6(1);

Amendment 261

Proposal for a regulation

Article 42 – paragraph 1 – point d

Text proposed by the Commission

(d) developing, implementing and promoting methods of production respectful of the environment, environmentally sound cultivation practices and production techniques, sustainable use of natural resources in particular protection of water, soil, air, biodiversity and other natural resources; those objectives relate to the specific objectives set out in points **(e) and (f)** of Article 6(1);

Amendment

(d) developing, implementing and promoting methods of production respectful of the environment, environmentally sound cultivation practices and production techniques, sustainable use of natural resources in particular protection of water, soil, air, biodiversity and other natural resources; those objectives relate to the specific objectives set out in points **(d), (e), (f) and (i)** of Article 6(1);

Amendment 262

Proposal for a regulation

Article 42 – paragraph 1 – point f

Text proposed by the Commission

(f) boosting products' commercial value and quality, including improving **product quality** and developing products with a protected designation of origin, with a protected geographical indication or covered by **a national** quality schemes; those objectives relate to the specific objective set out in point (b) of Article 6(1);

Amendment

(f) boosting products' commercial value, and quality, including improving **products for processing**, and developing products with a protected designation of origin, with a protected geographical indication, or covered by **other public or private** quality schemes; those objectives relate to the specific objective set out in point (b) of Article 6(1);

Amendment 263

Proposal for a regulation

Article 42 – paragraph 1 – point g

Text proposed by the Commission

(g) promotion and marketing of the products of the fruit and vegetables sector, whether in a fresh or processed form; those objectives relate to the specific objectives set out in points (b) **and (c)** of Article 6(1);

Amendment

(g) promotion and marketing of the products of the fruit and vegetables sector, whether in a fresh or processed form; those objectives relate to the specific objectives set out in points (b), **(c) and (i)** of Article 6(1);

Amendment 264

Proposal for a regulation

Article 42 – paragraph 1 – point i

Text proposed by the Commission

(i) crisis prevention and risk management, aimed at avoiding and dealing with crises on the fruit and vegetables markets; those objectives relate to the specific objectives set out in points (a), (b) and (c) of Article 6 (1).

Amendment

(i) crisis prevention and risk **mitigation and** management, **including phytosanitary aspects**, aimed at avoiding and dealing with crises on the fruit and vegetables markets; those objectives relate to the specific objectives set out in points (a), (b) and (c) of Article 6 (1);

Amendment 265

Proposal for a regulation

Article 42 – paragraph 1 – point i a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(ia) management and reduction of by-products and waste;

Amendment 266

Proposal for a regulation

Article 42 – paragraph 1 – point i b (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(ib) promoting genetic diversity.

Amendment 267

Proposal for a regulation

Article 43 – paragraph 1 – point a

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(a) investments in tangible and non-tangible assets, ***in particular*** focused on water saving, energy saving, ecological packaging ***and*** waste reduction;

(a) investments in tangible and non-tangible assets, ***including those*** focused on water saving ***and water quality***, energy ***generation and*** saving, ecological packaging, waste reduction ***and monitoring of waste flows***;

Amendment 268

Proposal for a regulation

Article 43 – paragraph 1 – point a a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(aa) planning and adjusting production to demand, particularly in terms of quality and quantity, of products of the fruit and vegetables sector;

Amendment 269

Proposal for a regulation

Article 43 – paragraph 1 – point a b (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(ab) actions to increase the commercial value of products;

Amendment 270

Proposal for a regulation

Article 43 – paragraph 1 – point a c (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(ac) collective storage of products produced by the producer organisation or by members of the producer organisation;

Amendment 271

Proposal for a regulation

Article 43 – paragraph 1 – point b

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(b) research and experimental production, ***in particular*** focused on water saving, energy saving, ecological packaging, waste reduction, pest resilience, reduction of risks and impacts of pesticides use, preventing damage caused by adverse climatic events and boosting the use of fruit and vegetable varieties adapted to changing climate conditions;

(b) research and experimental production, focused on ***measures such as*** water saving ***and quality***, energy ***generation and*** saving, ecological packaging, waste reduction, pest resilience, ***Integrated Pest Management (IPM)***, reduction of risks and impacts of pesticides use, ***preservation of pollinators***, preventing damage caused by adverse climatic events and boosting the use of fruit and vegetable varieties adapted to changing climate conditions;

Amendment 272

Proposal for a regulation

Article 43 – paragraph 1 – point c a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(ca) actions aimed at environmental improvement and climate change mitigation and adaptation;

Amendment 273

Proposal for a regulation

Article 43 – paragraph 1 – point d

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(d) integrated production;

(d) integrated production, ***promoting sustainable use of natural resources while reducing pesticide and other input dependency;***

Amendment 274

Proposal for a regulation

Article 43 – paragraph 1 – point e

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(e) actions to conserve ***soil*** and enhance soil carbon;

(e) actions to conserve ***and rebuild soil structure*** and enhance soil carbon ***including to avoid soil degradation;***

Amendment 275

Proposal for a regulation

Article 43 – paragraph 1 – point h

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(h) actions ***to*** improve ***pest*** resilience;

(h) actions improve resilience ***to pests and to mitigate pest damage, including by promoting IPM;***

Amendment 276

Proposal for a regulation

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Article 43 – paragraph 1 – point h a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(ha) actions to introduce production systems that boost especially biological and structural diversity;

Amendment 277

Proposal for a regulation

Article 43 – paragraph 1 – point k

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(k) actions to increase sustainability and efficiency of transport and of storage of products of the fruit and vegetables sector;

(k) actions to increase sustainability and efficiency of transport and of storage of products of the fruit and vegetables sector ***and promote short supply chains;***

Amendment 278

Proposal for a regulation

Article 43 – paragraph 1 – point m

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(m) implementation of Union and ***national*** quality schemes;

(m) implementation of Union and ***other public and private*** quality schemes, ***governed by the public or private sector;***

Amendment 279

Proposal for a regulation

Article 43 – paragraph 1 – point n

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(n) promotion and communication, including actions and activities aimed at diversification and consolidation of the fruit and vegetables markets ***and at*** informing about the health advantages of consumption of fruit and vegetables;

(n) promotion and communication, including actions and activities aimed at diversification and consolidation of the fruit and vegetables markets, ***the search for new market outlets, as well as*** informing about the health advantages of consumption of fruit and vegetables;

Amendment 280

Proposal for a regulation

Article 43 – paragraph 1 – point o

Text proposed by the Commission

(o) advisory services and technical assistance, ***in particular*** concerning sustainable pest control techniques, sustainable use of pesticides ***and*** climate change adaptation and mitigation;

Amendment

(o) advisory services, and technical assistance, ***including those*** concerning sustainable pest control techniques, sustainable use ***and reduction*** of pesticides, ***IPM***, climate change adaptation and mitigation, ***agroecological practices, improvement of the quality of the products and the marketing conditions, as well as those related to negotiation, and application of phytosanitary protocols for exports to third countries;***

Amendment 281

Proposal for a regulation

Article 43 – paragraph 1 – point p

Text proposed by the Commission

(p) training and exchange of best practices ***in particular*** concerning sustainable pest control techniques, sustainable use of pesticides and contributing to climate change adaptation and mitigation.

Amendment

(p) training and exchange of best practices ***including those*** concerning sustainable pest control techniques, ***alternatives to pesticides***, sustainable use ***and reduction*** of pesticides and contributing to climate change adaptation and mitigation;

Amendment 282

Proposal for a regulation

Article 43 – paragraph 1 – point p a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(pa) actions aimed at improving quality through innovation;

Amendment 283

Proposal for a regulation

Article 43 – paragraph 1 – point p b (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(pb) setting up traceability/certification systems.

Amendment 284

Proposal for a regulation

Article 43 – paragraph 2 – point b

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(b) investments in tangible and non-tangible assets making the management of the volumes placed on the market more efficient;

(b) investments in tangible and non-tangible assets making the management of the volumes placed on the market more efficient, **including for collective storage**;

Amendment 285

Proposal for a regulation

Article 43 – paragraph 2 – point d

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(d) market withdrawal for free-distribution or other destinations;

(d) market withdrawal for free-distribution, **including the cost of processing withdrawn products before free distribution**, or other destinations;

Amendment 286

Proposal for a regulation

Article 43 – paragraph 2 – point g

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(g) harvest insurance that contributes to safeguarding producers' incomes where there are losses as a consequence of natural disasters, adverse climatic events, diseases or pest infestations and at the same time

(g) harvest insurance, **including index-based insurance policies that cover the occurrence of the measurable hazard**, that contributes to safeguarding producers' incomes where there are losses as a

ensuring that beneficiaries take necessary risk prevention measures;

consequence of natural disasters, adverse climatic events, diseases or pest infestations and at the same time ensuring that beneficiaries take necessary risk prevention measures;

Amendment 287

Proposal for a regulation Article 43 – paragraph 2 – point h

Text proposed by the Commission

(h) coaching to other producer organisations and associations of producer organisations recognised under Regulation (EU) No 1308/2013 or to individual producers;

Amendment

(h) **professional exchanges and/or** coaching to other producer organisations and associations of producer organisations recognised under Regulation (EU) No 1308/2013 or to individual producers;

Amendment 288

Proposal for a regulation Article 43 – paragraph 2 – point h a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(ha) product promotion and raising awareness of the health benefits of fruit and vegetable consumption in response to market crises;

Amendment 289

Proposal for a regulation Article 43 – paragraph 2 – point i

Text proposed by the Commission

(i) implementation and management of third country phytosanitary protocols in the territory of the Union to **facilitate** access to third country markets;

Amendment

(i) **negotiation,** implementation and management of third country phytosanitary protocols in the territory of the Union to **enable the** access to third country markets, **including market studies;**

Amendment 290

Proposal for a regulation

Article 43 – paragraph 2 – point i a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(ia) phytosanitary crisis prevention and management;

Amendment 291

Proposal for a regulation

Article 43 – paragraph 2 – point k

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(k) advisory services and technical assistance, ***in particular*** concerning sustainable pest control techniques and sustainable use of pesticides.

(k) advisory services and technical assistance, ***including those*** concerning sustainable pest control techniques, ***such as the IPM***, and sustainable use ***and reduction*** of pesticides;

Amendment 292

Proposal for a regulation

Article 43 – paragraph 2 – point k a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(ka) training measures and the exchange of best practices.

Amendment 293

Proposal for a regulation

Article 44 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

2. Operational programs shall have a minimum duration of three years and a maximum duration of seven years. They shall pursue the objectives referred to in points (d) and (e) of Article 42 and at least two other objectives referred to in that

2. Operational programs shall have a minimum duration of three years and a maximum duration of seven years. They shall pursue the objectives referred to in points ***(b)***, (d) and (e) of Article 42 and at least two other objectives referred to in that

Article.

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Amendment 294

Proposal for a regulation

Article 44 – paragraph 5 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

5a. The operational programmes of the associations of producer organisations may be partial operational programmes or total operational programmes. The total operational programmes shall comply with the same management rules and conditions as the operative programs of the producer organisations.

Amendment 295

Proposal for a regulation

Article 44 – paragraph 6 – subparagraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

Operational programs of associations of producer organisations shall not cover the same **interventions** as operational programs of member organisations. Member States shall consider operational programs of associations of producer organisations together with operational programs of member organisations.

Operational programs of associations of producer organisations shall not cover the same **operations** as operational programs of member organisations. Member States shall consider operational programs of associations of producer organisations together with operational programs of member organisations. **Associations of producer organisations may submit partial operational programmes made up of measures identified, but not delivered, by member organisations in their operational programmes.**

Amendment 296

Proposal for a regulation

Article 44 – paragraph 6 – subparagraph 2 – point a

Text proposed by the Commission

- (a) **interventions** under operational programs of an association of producer organisations are entirely financed by contributions of those member organisations of that association and that such funding is collected from the operational funds of those member organisations;

Amendment

- (a) **operations** under operational programs of an association of producer organisations are entirely financed by contributions of those member organisations of that association and that such funding is collected from the operational funds of those member organisations;

Amendment 297

Proposal for a regulation

Article 44 – paragraph 7 – point a

Text proposed by the Commission

- (a) at least **20%** of expenditure under operational programs covers the interventions linked to the objectives referred to in points (d) and (e) of Article 42;

Amendment

- (a) at least **15 %** of expenditure under operational programs covers the interventions linked to the objectives referred to in points (d) and (e) of Article 42;

Amendment 298

Proposal for a regulation

Article 44 – paragraph 7 – point a a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

- (aa) operational programmes include 3 or more actions linked to the objectives referred to in points (d) and (e) of Article 42;**

Amendment 299

Proposal for a regulation

Article 44 – paragraph 7 – point b

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

- (b) at least **5%** of expenditure under operational programs covers the

- (b) at least **1 %** of expenditure under operational programs covers the

intervention linked to the objective referred to in point (c) of Article 42;

intervention linked to the objective referred to in point (c) of Article 42;

Amendment 300

Proposal for a regulation

Article 44 – paragraph 7 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

7a. Operational programmes approved before ... [the date of entry into force of this Regulation] shall be governed in accordance with the Regulations under which they were approved until their completion, unless the producer association or association of producer organisations voluntarily decides to adopt this Regulation.

Amendment 301

Proposal for a regulation

Article 45 – paragraph 1 – point a

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

- (a) financial contributions from:**
- (i) members of the producer organisation and/or the producer organisation itself; or**
- (ii) associations of producer organisations through the members of those associations;**

deleted

Amendment 302

Proposal for a regulation

Article 46 – paragraph 1 – introductory part

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

1. Producer organisations in the fruit and vegetables sector and/or their

1. Producer organisations in the fruit and vegetables sector and/or their

associations may set up an operational fund. The fund *shall* be financed by:

associations may set up an operational fund *to finance operational programs approved by the Member States*. The fund *shall* be financed by *contributions from the producer organisation itself or association of producer organisations and/or its partners, together with the financial assistance provided under Article 46*.

Amendment 303

Proposal for a regulation

Article 46 – paragraph 2 – point b

Text proposed by the Commission

(b) 4,5% of the value of marketed production of each association of producer organisations;

Amendment

(b) 4,5% of the value of marketed production of each association of producer organisations; **and**

Amendment 304

Proposal for a regulation

Article 46 – paragraph 2 – point b a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(ba) 5% of marketed production value:

- **for producer organisations whose marketed production and number of members in the year of the presentation of the operational programme is 25% higher than the average marketed production and the average number of producer members registered during their previous operational programme;**
- **for the first operational programme of a producer organisation resulting from a merger;**
- **for each transnational producer organisation or transnational association of producer organisations.**

Amendment 305

Proposal for a regulation

Article 46 – paragraph 2 – subparagraph 1 – point c

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(c) 5% of the value of marketed production of each transnational producer organisation or transnational association of producer organisations **deleted**

Amendment 306

Proposal for a regulation

Article 46 – paragraph 2 – subparagraph 2 – introductory part

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

By way of derogation from the first subparagraph, the Union financial assistance may be increased **as follows:**

By way of derogation from the first subparagraph, the Union financial assistance **provided for in points (a), (b) and (b a)** may be increased **by 0,5 % of the value of marketed production, provided that this percentage is used solely for one or more interventions linked to the objectives referred to in points (c), (d), (e), (g), (h) and (i) of Article 42;**

(a) in the case of producer organisations, the percentage may be increased to 4,6% of the value of the marketed production, provided that the amount in excess of 4,1% of the value of marketed production is used solely for one or more interventions linked to the objectives referred to in points (c), (d), (e), (g), (h) and (i) of Article 42;

(b) in the case of associations of producer organisations, the percentage may be increased to 5% of the value of the marketed production, provided that the amount in excess of 4,5% of the value of the marketed production is used solely for one or more interventions linked to the objectives referred to in points (c), (d), (e), (g), (h) and (i) of Article 42 implemented by the association of producer

organisations on behalf of its members;

(c) in the case of transnational producer organisation or transnational association of producer organisations, the percentage may be increased to 5,5% of the value of the marketed production, provided that the amount in excess of 5% of the value of the marketed production is used solely for one or more interventions linked to the objectives referred to in points (c), (d), (e), (g), (h) and (i) of Article 42 implemented by the transnational producer organisation or transnational association of producer organisations on behalf of its members.

Amendment 307

Proposal for a regulation

Article 46 – paragraph 3 – point a

Text proposed by the Commission

(a) producer organisations operating in different Member States implementing interventions linked to the objectives referred to in points (b) and (e) of Article 42 transnationally;

Amendment

(a) ***producer organisations and associations of*** producer organisations operating in different Member States implementing interventions linked to the objectives referred to in points (b) and (e) of Article 42 transnationally;

Amendment 308

Proposal for a regulation

Article 46 – paragraph 3 – point d

Text proposed by the Commission

(d) operational program is for the first time implemented by an association of producer organisations recognised under Regulation (EU) No 1308/2013;

Amendment

(d) operational program is for the first time implemented by ***a producer organisation or*** an association of producer organisations ***active in one Member State or an association of producer organisations operating in different Member States*** recognised under Regulation (EU) No 1308/2013 ;

Amendment 309

Proposal for a regulation

Article 46 – paragraph 3 – point f a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(fa) producer organisations operate in mountain areas and island regions;

Amendment 310

Proposal for a regulation

Article 47 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

1. In regions of the Member States in which the degree of organisation of producers in the fruit and vegetables sector is significantly below the Union average, Member States may grant producer organisations recognised under Regulation (EU) No 1308/2013 national financial assistance equal to a maximum of 80% of the financial contributions referred to in point (a) of Article 45(1) and up to 10% of the value of the marketed production of any such producer organisation. The national financial assistance shall be additional to the operational fund.

1. In regions of the Member States in which the degree of organisation of producers in the fruit and vegetables sector is significantly below the Union average **and in island and outlying regions**, Member States may grant producer organisations recognised under Regulation (EU) No 1308/2013 national financial assistance equal to a maximum of 80% of the financial contributions referred to in point (a) of Article 45(1) and up to 10% of the value of the marketed production of any such producer organisation. The national financial assistance shall be additional to the operational fund.

Amendment 311

Proposal for a regulation

Article 48 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

The Member States shall pursue **at least one of the** specific objectives referred to in Article 6(1) in the apiculture sector.

The Member States shall pursue **relevant** specific objectives referred to in Article 6(1) in the apiculture sector.

Amendment 312

Proposal for a regulation

Article 49 – paragraph 1 – introductory part

Text proposed by the Commission

1. Member States shall choose in their CAP Strategic Plans ***for each specific objective set out in Article 6(1)*** one or more of the following types of interventions in the apiculture sector:

Amendment

1. Member States shall choose in their CAP Strategic Plans one or more of the following types of interventions in the apiculture sector:

Amendment 313

Proposal for a regulation

Article 49 – paragraph 1 – point a

Text proposed by the Commission

(a) technical assistance to beekeepers and beekeepers' organisations;

Amendment

(a) technical assistance to beekeepers and beekeepers' organisations, ***including promotion of good practices, information and publicity, and basic and continuing education and training***;

Amendment 314

Proposal for a regulation

Article 49 – paragraph 1 – point b

Text proposed by the Commission

(b) actions to combat beehive invaders and diseases, in particular varroasis;

Amendment

(b) actions to combat ***and prevent*** beehive invaders and diseases, in particular varroasis, ***and to increase resilience to epidemics***;

Amendment 315

Proposal for a regulation

Article 49 – paragraph 1 – point b a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(ba) setting up and /or developing

national bee health networks;

Amendment 316

Proposal for a regulation

Article 49 – paragraph 1 – point d

Text proposed by the Commission

(d) actions to support laboratories for the analysis of apiculture products;

Amendment

(d) actions to support ***national, regional or local*** laboratories for the analysis of apiculture products, ***bee losses or productivity drops, and substances potentially toxic to bees***;

Amendment 317

Proposal for a regulation

Article 49 – paragraph 1 – point e

Text proposed by the Commission

(e) ***restocking of beehives in the Union***;

Amendment

(e) ***actions to preserve or increase the existing number of bee populations***;

Amendment 318

Proposal for a regulation

Article 49 – paragraph 1 – point f

Text proposed by the Commission

(f) cooperation with specialised bodies for the ***implementation*** of research programs in the field of beekeeping and apiculture products;

Amendment

(f) cooperation with specialised bodies for the ***application*** of research ***and experimental*** programs in the field of beekeeping and apiculture products;

Amendment 319

Proposal for a regulation

Article 49 – paragraph 1 – point h a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(ha) investments in tangible and non-tangible assets;

Amendment 320

Proposal for a regulation

Article 49 – paragraph 1 – point h b (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(hb) actions to plan production, and adjust supply to demand;

Amendment 321

Proposal for a regulation

Article 49 – paragraph 1 – point h c (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(hc) prevention measures to address adverse climatic events;

Amendment 322

Proposal for a regulation

Article 49 – paragraph 1 – point h d (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(hd) actions for adaptation to climate change and adverse climatic events;

Amendment 323

Proposal for a regulation

Article 49 – paragraph 1 – point h e (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(he) measures to promote cooperation between beekeepers and farmers,

particularly with a view to reducing the impact of pesticide use;

Amendment 324

Proposal for a regulation

Article 49 – paragraph 1 – point h f (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(hf) energy saving, increased energy efficiency and ecological packaging;

Amendment 325

Proposal for a regulation

Article 49 – paragraph 1 – point h g (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(hg) reduction of waste production and better use and management of by-products and waste;

Amendment 326

Proposal for a regulation

Article 49 – paragraph 1 – point h h (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(hh) actions to improve pollination of the honey bees and their coexistence with wild pollinators, including by creating and maintaining favourable habitats;

Amendment 327

Proposal for a regulation

Article 49 – paragraph 1 – point h i (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(hi) actions to enhance genetic diversity;

Amendment 328

Proposal for a regulation

Article 49 – paragraph 1 – point h j (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(hj) measures to support young or new beekeepers.

Amendment 329

Proposal for a regulation

Article 49 – paragraph 4

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

4. The Union financial assistance to the interventions referred to in paragraph 2 shall be maximum **50%** of the expenditure. The remaining part of the expenditure shall be borne by the Member States.

4. The Union financial assistance to the interventions referred to in paragraph 2 shall be maximum **75%** of the expenditure, ***with the exception of the outermost regions, where the ceiling shall be 85%.*** The remaining part of the expenditure shall be borne by the Member States.

Amendment 330

Proposal for a regulation

Article 49 – paragraph 5

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

5. When drawing up their CAP Strategic Plans Member States shall seek the advice of the representatives of organisations in the beekeeping field.

5. When drawing up their CAP Strategic Plans Member States shall seek the advice of the representatives of organisations in the beekeeping field ***and the competent authorities.***

Amendment 331

Proposal for a regulation

Article 49 – paragraph 6

Text proposed by the Commission

6. Member States shall notify the Commission annually of the number of beehives in their territory.

Amendment

6. Member States shall notify the Commission annually of the number of beehives **and/or bee colonies** in their territory.

Amendment 332

Proposal for a regulation

Article 49 – paragraph 6 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

6 a. All the national programmes approved before ... [the date of entry into force of this Regulation] shall be governed in accordance with Regulation (EU) No 1308/2013 until the date scheduled for their completion.

Amendment 333

Proposal for a regulation

Article 50 – paragraph 1 – introductory part

Text proposed by the Commission

The Commission **shall be** empowered to adopt delegated acts in accordance with Article 138 supplementing this Regulation with requirements additional to those laid down in this Section concerning:

Amendment

The Commission **is** empowered to adopt delegated acts in accordance with Article 138 supplementing this Regulation with requirements additional to those laid down in this Section concerning:

Amendment 334

Proposal for a regulation

Article 50 – paragraph 1 – point a

Text proposed by the Commission

(a) the obligation of Member States to notify the Commission annually of the number of beehives in their territory laid down in Article 49(6);

Amendment

(a) the obligation of Member States to notify the Commission annually of the number of beehives **and/or bee colonies** in their territory laid down in Article 49(6);

Amendment 335

Proposal for a regulation

Article 50 – paragraph 1 – point b

Text proposed by the Commission

(b) a definition of a beehive and methods for calculating the number of beehives;

Amendment

(b) a definition of a beehive and methods for calculating the number of beehives **and bee colonies**;

Amendment 336

Proposal for a regulation

Article 51 – paragraph 1 – introductory part

Text proposed by the Commission

Member States shall pursue one or more of the following objectives in the wine sector:

Amendment

In accordance with Articles 5 and 6,
Member States shall pursue one or more of the following objectives in the wine sector:

Amendment 337

Proposal for a regulation

Article 51 – paragraph 1 – point a

Text proposed by the Commission

(a) improve competitiveness of Union wine producers ***including contributing to improvement of sustainable production systems and reduction of environmental impact of the Union wine sector; those objectives relate to the specific objectives set out in points (b) to (f) and (h) of*** Article 6(1);

Amendment

(a) improve ***the economic sustainability and*** competitiveness of Union wine producers in ***line with*** points (a), (b) ***and*** (c) of Article 6(1);

Amendment 338

Proposal for a regulation

Article 51 – paragraph 1 – point a a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(aa) contribute to climate change mitigation and adaptation and to the improvement of sustainable production systems and the reduction of the environmental impact of the Union wine sector, including by supporting winegrowers in reducing the use of inputs and implementing more environmentally-sustainable methods and cultivation practices, as well as to preserve the diversity of traditional Union varieties; those objectives relate to the specific objectives set out in points (d), (e) and (f) of Article 6(1);

Amendment 339

Proposal for a regulation

Article 51 – paragraph 1 – point b

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(b) improve performance of Union wine enterprises and their adaptation to market demands, as well as increase their competitiveness as regards the production and marketing of grapevine products, including energy savings, global energy efficiency and sustainable processes; those objectives relate to the specific objectives set out in points (a), to (e), (g) and (h) of Article 6(1);

(b) improve performance of Union wine enterprises and their adaptation to market demands, as well as increase their **long-term** competitiveness as regards the production and marketing of grapevine products, including energy savings, global energy efficiency and sustainable processes; those objectives relate to the specific objectives set out in points (a), to (e), (g) and (h) of Article 6(1);

Amendment 340

Proposal for a regulation

Article 51 – paragraph 1 – point c a (new)

(ca) to improve the concentration of supply with a view to economic performance and sector structuring, in accordance with the objective set out in point (b) of Article 6(1);

Amendment 341

Proposal for a regulation

Article 51 – paragraph 1 – point f

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(f) use of wine making by-products for industrial and energy purposes ensuring the quality of Union wine while protecting the environment; that objective relates to the specific objectives set out in points (d) and (e) of Article 6(1);

(f) use of wine making by-products **and residues** for industrial and energy **or agronomic** purposes ensuring the quality of Union wine while protecting the environment; that objective relates to the specific objectives set out in points (d) and (e) of Article 6(1);

Amendment 342

Proposal for a regulation

Article 51 – paragraph 1 – point h

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(h) improve competitiveness of Union grapevine products in third countries; that objective relates to the objectives set out in points (b) and (h) of Article 6(1);

(h) improve competitiveness of Union grapevine products in third countries, **including the opening, diversification and consolidation of the wine markets**; that objective relates to the objectives set out in points (b) and (h) of Article 6(1);

Amendment 343

Proposal for a regulation

Article 51 – paragraph 1 – point i a (new)

(ia) ensure the economic sustainability and profitability of viticulture in areas with significant natural constraints, steep areas and less developed areas in accordance with the specific objectives set out in points (a), (b) and (h) of Article 6(1).

Amendment 344

Proposal for a regulation

Article 52 – paragraph 1 – point a

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(a) restructuring and conversion of vineyards, including replanting of vineyards where that is necessary following mandatory grubbing up for health or phytosanitary reasons on the instruction of the Member State competent authority, but excluding the normal renewal of vineyards consisting of replanting of the same parcel of land with the same grape variety according to the same system of vine cultivation, when vines have to come to the end of their natural life;

(a) restructuring and conversion of vineyards, including replanting of vineyards where that is necessary following mandatory grubbing up for health or phytosanitary reasons on the instruction of the Member State competent authority, **or following voluntary grubbing up for replanting for reasons of adaptation to climate change and for the enhancement of genetic diversity**, but excluding the normal renewal of vineyards consisting of replanting of the same parcel of land with the same grape variety according to the same system of vine cultivation, when vines have to come to the end of their natural life;

Amendment 345

Proposal for a regulation

Article 52 – paragraph 1 – point a a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(aa) planting of vines on land granted under the scheme of authorisations set out in Section 1, Chapter 3 of Regulation (EU) No 1308/2013, in traditional wine-making areas at risk of disappearance, to

be defined by the Member States, as a measure to protect wine-making diversity;

Amendment 346

Proposal for a regulation

Article 52 – paragraph 1 – point a b (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(ab) research and experimental production and other measures, in particular in the fields of conservation, study and enhancement of inter-varietal and intra-varietal variability of European vine varieties and activities to promote their economic use;

Amendment 347

Proposal for a regulation

Article 52 – paragraph 1 – point a c (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(ac) actions to reduce the use of pesticides;

Amendment 348

Proposal for a regulation

Article 52 – paragraph 1 – point a d (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(ad) actions to reduce the risk taking for winegrowers who undertake to radically change their practices and their system of products to produce in a more sustainable way, including adding structural and biological diversity;

Amendment 349

Proposal for a regulation

Article 52 – paragraph 1 – point b

Text proposed by the Commission

(b) tangible and intangible investments in processing facilities and winery infrastructure, as well as marketing structures and tools;

Amendment

(b) tangible and intangible investments ***in wine-growing holdings, including in steep and terrace areas, with the exception of operations falling under the type of intervention described in point (a) of Article 52(1), and*** in processing facilities and winery infrastructure, as well as marketing structures and tools; ***such investments may aim at the protection of vineyards against climatic hazards and the adaptation of holdings to new Union legal requirements;***

Amendment 350

Proposal for a regulation

Article 52 – paragraph 1 – point d

Text proposed by the Commission

(d) harvest insurance against income losses as a consequence of adverse climatic events assimilated to natural disasters, adverse climatic events, animals, plant diseases or pest infestations;

Amendment

(d) harvest insurance against income losses as a consequence of adverse climatic events assimilated to natural disasters, adverse climatic events, animals, plant diseases or pest infestations, ***while ensuring that beneficiaries take necessary risk prevention measures.***

Amendment 351

Proposal for a regulation

Article 52 – paragraph 1 – point e

Text proposed by the Commission

(e) tangible and intangible investments in innovation consisting of development of innovative products and by-products of wine making, processes and technologies, other investments adding value at any stage of the supply chain, including for knowledge exchange;

Amendment

(e) tangible and intangible investments in ***digitalisation and*** innovation consisting of development of innovative products and ***technological processes, connected with the products referred to in Part II of Annex VII to Regulation (EU) No 1308/2013 or with*** by-products of wine making, processes and technologies, other

investments adding value at any stage of the supply chain, including for knowledge exchange, *and/or contributing to adaptation to climate change*;

Amendment 352

Proposal for a regulation

Article 52 – paragraph 1 – point f a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(fa) tangible and intangible investments in installations and procedures for methanisation and the composting of the residues of vinification;

Amendment 353

Proposal for a regulation

Article 52 – paragraph 1 – point g

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(g) information actions concerning Union wines carried out in Member States encouraging responsible consumption of wine *or promoting Union quality schemes covering designations of origin and geographical indications*;

(g) information actions concerning Union wines carried out in Member States encouraging responsible consumption of wine;

Amendment 354

Proposal for a regulation

Article 52 – paragraph 1 – point g a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(ga) actions aiming at improving market knowledge, such as economic and regulatory studies on existing markets, as well as actions to promote wine tourism, to enhance the reputation of European vineyards;

Amendment 355

Proposal for a regulation

Article 52 – paragraph 1 – point h – introductory part

Text proposed by the Commission

(h) promotion carried out in third countries, consisting of one or more of the following:

Amendment

(h) promotion **and communication** carried out in third countries, consisting of one or more of the following **actions and activities aimed at improving the competitiveness of the wine sector, and the opening, diversification or consolidation of the markets**:

Amendment 356

Proposal for a regulation

Article 52 – paragraph 1 – point h – point iv

Text proposed by the Commission

(iv) studies of new markets, necessary for the expansion of market outlets;

Amendment

(iv) studies of new **or existing** markets, necessary for the expansion **and consolidation** of market outlets;

Amendment 357

Proposal for a regulation

Article 52 – paragraph 1 – point h – point vi

Text proposed by the Commission

(vi) preparation of technical files, including laboratory tests and assessments, concerning oenological practices, phytosanitary and hygiene rules, as well as other third country requirements for import of products of the wine sector, to **facilitate** access to third country markets;

Amendment

(vi) preparation of technical files, including laboratory tests and assessments, concerning oenological practices, phytosanitary and hygiene rules, as well as other third country requirements for import of products of the wine sector, to **prevent restriction of, or to enable** access to third country markets;

Amendment 358

Proposal for a regulation

Article 52 – paragraph 1 – point i a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(ia) actions to improve use and management of water;

Amendment 359

Proposal for a regulation

Article 52 – paragraph 1 – point i b (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(ib) organic production;

Amendment 360

Proposal for a regulation

Article 52 – paragraph 1 – point i c (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(ic) integrated production;

Amendment 361

Proposal for a regulation

Article 52 – paragraph 1 – point i d (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(id) precision or digitised production;

Amendment 362

Proposal for a regulation

Article 52 – paragraph 1 – point i e (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(ie) soil conservation and enhancement of soil carbon;

Amendment 363

Proposal for a regulation

Article 52 – paragraph 1 – point i f (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(if) creation or preservation of habitats favourable for biodiversity or for maintaining landscape, including the conservation of its historical features;

Amendment 364

Proposal for a regulation

Article 52 – paragraph 1 – point i g (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(ig) improving resilience to grapevine pests and diseases;

Amendment 365

Proposal for a regulation

Article 52 – paragraph 1 – point i h (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(ih) reducing waste production and improving waste management.

Amendment 366

Proposal for a regulation

Article 52 – paragraph 1 – subparagraph 1 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

The promotion measures referred to in point (h) of the first subparagraph shall apply only to wines with a protected designation of origin or a protected geographical indication or wines with an indication of the wine grape variety.

Amendment 367

Proposal for a regulation

Article 52 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

2. The Member States shall substantiate in their CAP Strategic Plans their choice of objectives and the types of intervention in the wine sector. Within the chosen types of intervention, they shall define interventions.

Amendment

2. The Member States shall substantiate in their CAP Strategic Plans their choice of objectives and the types of intervention in the wine sector. Within the chosen types of intervention, they shall define interventions. ***Member States may lay down specific provisions for the information and promotion actions by the management bodies of the protected designations of origin and protected geographical indications, on behalf of all the enterprises concerned, particularly with regard to the maximum length of the actions.***

Amendment 368

Proposal for a regulation

Article 53 – paragraph 1 – subparagraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

The Union financial assistance for restructuring and conversion of vineyards referred to in point (a) of Article 52(1) shall not exceed 50% of the actual costs of restructuring and conversion of vineyards or 75% of the actual costs of restructuring and conversion of vineyards ***in less developed regions.***

Amendment

The Union financial assistance for restructuring and conversion of vineyards referred to in point (a) of Article 52(1) shall not exceed 50% of the actual costs of ***voluntary*** restructuring and conversion of vineyards or 75% of the actual costs of ***mandatory*** restructuring and conversion of vineyards.

Amendment 369

Proposal for a regulation

Article 53 – paragraph 2 – subparagraph 1 – point a

Text proposed by the Commission

(a) 50% of eligible investment costs in less developed regions;

Amendment

(a) 50% of eligible investment costs in less developed regions , ***vineyards on steep***

slopes and in the island regions other than those referred to in points (c) and (d) of this paragraph;

Amendment 370

Proposal for a regulation

Article 53 – paragraph 2 – subparagraph 1 – point c

Text proposed by the Commission

(c) 75% of eligible investment costs in the outermost regions referred to in Article 349 TFEU;

Amendment

(c) 85 % of eligible investment costs in the outermost regions referred to in Article 349 TFEU;

Amendment 371

Proposal for a regulation

Article 53 – paragraph 3 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

3a. The Union financial assistance for the objectives referred to in points (aa), (ab), (ac), (fa), (j), (k), (l), (m), (n), (o), (p), and (q) of Article 52(1) shall not exceed 50% of the direct or eligible costs.

Amendment 372

Proposal for a regulation

Article 53 – paragraph 5 – subparagraph 1 – point a

Text proposed by the Commission

(a) 50% of eligible investment costs in less developed regions;

Amendment

(a) 50% of eligible investment costs in less developed regions , **vineyards on steep slopes and in island regions other than those mentioned in points (c) and (d) of this paragraph;**

Amendment 373

Proposal for a regulation

Article 53 – paragraph 5 – subparagraph 1 – point c

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(c) 75% of eligible investment costs in the outermost regions referred to in Article 349 TFEU;

(c) 85 % of eligible investment costs in the outermost regions referred to in **paragraph 1 of Article 349 TFEU**;

Amendment 374

Proposal for a regulation

Article 53 – paragraph 5 – subparagraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

The Union financial assistance at its maximum rate, referred to in the first subparagraph shall apply only to micro, small and medium-sized enterprises within the meaning of Recommendation 2003/361/EC; however, it may, apply to all enterprises in the outermost regions referred to in Article 349 TFEU and the smaller Aegean islands as defined in Article 1(2) of Regulation (EU) No 229/2013.

deleted

Amendment 375

Proposal for a regulation

Article 53 – paragraph 5 – subparagraph 3

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

For enterprises not covered by Article 2(1) of Title I of the Annex to Recommendation 2003/361/EC, with fewer than 750 employees, or with turnover of less than EUR 200 million, the maximum aid limit referred to in the first subparagraph shall be halved.

The maximum *limits laid down* in the first subparagraph *may be reduced for investments made by enterprises other than micro-enterprises and small and medium-sized enterprises. However, it may apply to all enterprises in the outermost regions referred to in Article 349 TFEU and the smaller Aegean islands as defined in Article 1(2) of Regulation (EU) No 229/2013.*

Amendment 376

Proposal for a regulation

Article 53 – paragraph 6

Text proposed by the Commission

6. The Union financial assistance for information actions and promotion referred to in points (g) and (h) of Article 52(1) shall not exceed 50% of eligible expenditure.

Amendment

6. The Union financial assistance for information actions and promotion referred to in points (g) and (h) of Article 52(1) shall not exceed 50% of eligible expenditure. ***Member States may established a differentiation according to the size of the enterprises, with the aim of maximising the support for small and medium-sized enterprises.***

Amendment 377

Proposal for a regulation

Article 54 – paragraph 4

Text proposed by the Commission

4. The Member States concerned shall ***set*** in their CAP Strategic Plans ***a minimum percentage of expenditure for actions aimed at*** protection of the environment, adaption to climate change, improving sustainability of production systems and processes, reduction of environmental impact of the Union wine sector, energy savings and improving global energy efficiency in the wine sector.

Amendment

4. The Member States concerned shall ***ensure*** in their CAP Strategic ***Plans that at least 5% of the expenditure is earmarked or at least one action is adopted to meet the objectives in favor of*** protection of the environment, adaption to climate change, improving sustainability of production systems and processes, reduction of environmental impact of the Union wine sector, energy savings and improving global energy efficiency in the wine sector, ***in line with the objectives laid down in points (aa), (b) and (f) of Article 51.***

Amendment 378

Proposal for a regulation

Article 54 – paragraph 4 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

4a. All the programmes approved before ... [the date of entry into force of

this Regulation] shall be governed in accordance with Regulation (EU) No 1308/2013 until the date scheduled for their completion.

Amendment 379

Proposal for a regulation Article 55 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

2. The Member State referred to in Article 82(3) shall define in its CAP Strategic Plan one or more of the types of intervention referred to in Article 60 to pursue the objectives chosen as laid down in paragraph 1. Within the chosen types of intervention they shall define interventions. The Member State referred to in Article 82(3) shall substantiate in its CAP Strategic Plan the choice of objectives, types of intervention and interventions to meet those objectives.

Amendment

2. The Member State referred to in Article 82(3) shall define in its CAP Strategic Plan one or more of the types of intervention referred to in Article 60 to pursue the objectives chosen as laid down in paragraph 1. Within the chosen types of intervention they shall define interventions. The Member State referred to in Article 82(3) shall substantiate in its CAP Strategic Plan the choice of objectives, types of intervention and interventions to meet those objectives, ***but shall not be obliged to complete the ex-ante evaluation report or Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) report referred to in Article 103(1), nor shall it be obliged to complete the SWOT analysis referred to in 103(2).***

Amendment 380

Proposal for a regulation Article 56 – paragraph 1 – point c

Text proposed by the Commission

(c) reduction of environmental impact of and contribution to climate action through olive cultivation; that objectives relate to the specific objectives set out in points (d) and (e) of Article 6(1);

Amendment

(c) reduction of environmental impact of and contribution to climate action, ***adaptation and mitigation of climate change*** through olive cultivation; that objectives relate to the specific objectives set out in points (d) and (e) of Article 6(1);

Amendment 381

Proposal for a regulation
Article 56 – paragraph 1 – point d

Text proposed by the Commission

(d) improvement of quality of olive oil and table olives; that objective relate to the specific objective set out in ***point*** (f) of Article 6(1);

Amendment

(d) improvement of quality of olive oil and table olives; that objective relate to the specific objective set out in ***points (b) and*** (f) of Article 6(1);

Amendment 382

Proposal for a regulation
Article 56 – paragraph 1 – point f

Text proposed by the Commission

(f) crisis prevention and management, aimed at improving pest resilience, avoiding and dealing with crises in the olive oil and table olives markets; that objective relate to the specific objective set out in ***point (h)*** of Article 6(1).

Amendment

(f) crisis prevention and management, aimed at improving pest resilience, avoiding and dealing with crises in the olive oil and table olives markets, ***including the improvement of prevention and resilience to pests***; that objective relate to the specific objective set out in points ***(a), (b) and (c)*** of Article 6(1).

Amendment 383

Proposal for a regulation
Article 57 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

1. To pursue the objectives referred to in Article 56, the Member States referred to in Article 82(4) shall choose in their CAP Strategic Plans one or more of the types of interventions referred to in Article 60. Within the chosen types of intervention, they shall define interventions.

Amendment

1. To pursue the objectives referred to in Article 56, the Member States referred to in Article 82(4) shall choose in their CAP Strategic Plans one or more of the types of interventions referred to in Article 60, ***to be defined at the level of the Member State***. Within the chosen types of intervention, they shall define interventions.

Amendment 384

Proposal for a regulation

Article 57 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

2. The interventions defined by the Member States referred to in Article 82(4) shall be implemented through approved operational programs of producer organisations and/or associations of producer organisations recognised under Regulation (EU) No 1308/2013. For this purpose Articles 61 and 62 of this Regulation shall apply.

Amendment

2. The interventions defined by the Member States referred to in Article 82(4) shall be implemented through approved operational programs of producer organisations and/or associations of producer organisations ***and/or interbranch organisations*** recognised under Regulation (EU) No 1308/2013. For this purpose Articles 61 and 62 of this Regulation shall apply.

Amendment 385

Proposal for a regulation

Article 57 – paragraph 2 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

2a. By way of derogation from paragraph 2, Member States referred to in Article 82(4) may entrust the implementation of operational programmes to interbranch organisations recognised under Article 157 of Regulation (EU) No 1308/2013, if such organisations already have a similar programme in place under Regulation (EU) No 1308/2013.

Amendment 386

Proposal for a regulation

Article 58 – paragraph 1 – point d

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(d) **75%** of the actual expenditure incurred for the types of intervention referred to in points (f) and (h) of Article 60(1) where the operational program is implemented in at least three third countries or non-producing Member States by producer organisations from at least two

(d) **85%** of the actual expenditure incurred for the types of intervention referred to in points (f) and (h) of Article 60(1) where the operational program is implemented in at least three third countries or non-producing Member States by producer organisations ***or associations***

producing Member States, 50% of the actual expenditure where for this type of intervention this condition is not met.

of producer organisations from at least two producing Member States, 50% of the actual expenditure where for this type of intervention this condition is not met.

Amendment 387

Proposal for a regulation

Article 58 – paragraph 1 – point d a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(da) In the case of island regions the percentages referred to in points (a) to (d) shall be increased by 10

Amendment 388

Proposal for a regulation

Article 58 – paragraph 3

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

3. Member States shall ensure complementary financing up to 50% of the costs not covered by the Union financial assistance.

deleted

Amendment 389

Proposal for a regulation

Article 59 – paragraph 1 – introductory part

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

The Member States shall pursue one or more of the following objectives in the other sectors referred to in point (f) of Article 39:

In accordance with Articles 5 and 6, the Member States shall pursue one or more of the following objectives in the other sectors referred to in point (f) of Article 39:

Amendment 390

Proposal for a regulation

Article 59 – paragraph 1 – point a

Text proposed by the Commission

(a) planning of production, adjusting production to demand, particularly in terms of quality **and** quantity, optimisation of production costs and returns on investments and stabilising producer prices; those objectives relate to the specific objectives set out in points (a), (b), (c) and (i) of Article 6(1);

Amendment

(a) planning of production, adjusting production to demand, particularly in terms of quality, quantity **and diversity**, optimisation of production costs and returns on investments and stabilising producer prices; those objectives relate to the specific objectives set out in points (a), (b), (c) and (i) of Article 6(1);

Amendment 391

Proposal for a regulation

Article 59 – paragraph 1 – point b

Text proposed by the Commission

(b) concentration of supply and placing on the market of the products concerned; those objectives relate to the specific objectives set out in points (a) and (c) of Article 6(1);

Amendment

(b) concentration of supply and placing on the market of the products concerned, **and promoting the collective negotiation of contracts**; those objectives relate to the specific objectives set out in points (a) and (c) of Article 6(1);

Amendment 392

Proposal for a regulation

Article 59 – paragraph 1 – point c

Text proposed by the Commission

(c) research and development of sustainable production methods, including pest resilience, innovative practices and production techniques boosting economic competitiveness and bolstering market developments; those objectives relate to the specific objectives set out in points (a), (c) and (i) of Article 6(1);

Amendment

(c) **application**, research and development of sustainable production methods, including pest **and animal disease resistance and climate** resilience, **genetic diversity, soil protection, improvement of biosecurity and reduction of antimicrobial substances, as well as** innovative practices and production techniques boosting **long-term** economic competitiveness and bolstering market developments; those objectives relate to the specific objectives set out in points (a), (c), **(d), (e), (f)** and (i) of Article 6(1);

Amendment 393

Proposal for a regulation

Article 59 – paragraph 1 – point d

Text proposed by the Commission

(d) promoting, developing and implementing methods of production respectful of the environment, of animal welfare standards, pest resilient and environmentally sound cultivation practices, production techniques and production methods, environmentally sound use and management of by-products and waste, sustainable use of natural resources in particular protection of water, soil and other natural resources; those objectives relate to the specific objectives set out in points (e) and (f) of Article 6(1);

Amendment

(d) promoting, developing and implementing methods of production respectful of the environment, of animal welfare standards, pest resilient and environmentally sound cultivation practices, ***animal disease resistance***, production techniques and production methods, environmentally sound use and management of by-products and waste, sustainable use of natural resources in particular protection of water, soil and other natural resources; ***reduction of emissions and increased energy efficiency***; those objectives relate to the specific objectives set out in points (e) and (f) of Article 6(1);

Amendment 394

Proposal for a regulation

Article 59 – paragraph 1 – point e

Text proposed by the Commission

(e) contribute to climate change mitigation and adaptation, as set out in point (d) of Article 6(1);

Amendment

(e) contribute to climate change mitigation and adaptation, ***including the prevention and management of tropical and zoonotic diseases***, as set out in point (d) of Article 6(1);

Amendment 395

Proposal for a regulation

Article 59 – paragraph 1 – point f

Text proposed by the Commission

(f) boosting products' commercial

Amendment

(f) boosting products' commercial

value and quality, including improving product quality and developing products with a protected designation of origin, with a protected geographical indication or covered by a national quality schemes; those objectives relate to the specific objective set out in point (b) of Article 6(1);

value and quality, including improving product quality **and market segmentation** and developing products with a protected designation of origin, with a protected geographical indication or covered by a national quality schemes; those objectives relate to the specific objective set out in point (b) of Article 6(1);

Amendment 396

Proposal for a regulation

Article 59 – paragraph 1 – point g

Text proposed by the Commission

(g) promotion and marketing of the products of one or more sectors referred to in point (f) of Article **40**; those objectives relate to the specific objectives set out in points (b) and (c) of Article 6(1);

Amendment

(g) promotion and marketing of the products of one or more sectors referred to in point (f) of Article **39**; those objectives relate to the specific objectives set out in points (b) and (c) of Article 6(1);

Amendment 397

Proposal for a regulation

Article 59 – paragraph 1 – point h

Text proposed by the Commission

(h) crisis prevention and risk management, aimed at avoiding and dealing with crises in the markets within one or more sectors referred to in point (f) of Article 39; those objectives relate to the specific objectives set out in points (a), (b) and (c). Article 6(1).

Amendment

(h) crisis prevention and risk **mitigation and** management, aimed at avoiding and dealing with crises in the markets within one or more sectors referred to in point (f) of Article 39; those objectives relate to the specific objectives set out in points (a), (b) and (c). Article 6(1);

Amendment 398

Proposal for a regulation

Article 59 – paragraph 1 – point h a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(ha) prevention of attacks on livestock by predator species;

Amendment 399

Proposal for a regulation

Article 59 – paragraph 1 – point h b (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(hb) contributing to the Union strategy for the promotion of protein crops, in particular fodder and legumes.

Amendment 400

Proposal for a regulation

Article 60 – paragraph 1 – introductory part

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

1. As regards the objectives referred to in points (a) to (g) of Article 59 Member States shall choose in their CAP Strategic Plans one or more of the following types of intervention:

1. As regards the objectives referred to in points ***(a) to (f) of Article 56 and points*** (a) to (g) of Article 59 Member States shall choose in their CAP Strategic Plans one or more of the following types of intervention:

Amendment 401

Proposal for a regulation

Article 60 – paragraph 1 – point a – point i

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(i) soil conservation, including the enhancement of soil carbon;

(i) soil conservation, including ***prevention of soil degradation and*** the enhancement of soil carbon ***sequestration***;

Amendment 402

Proposal for a regulation

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Article 60 – paragraph 1 – point a – point ii

Text proposed by the Commission

(ii) improvement of the use of and management of water, including water saving and drainage;

Amendment

(ii) improvement of the use of and **sound** management of water, including water saving and drainage, **contributing to a good status of water basins**;

Amendment 403

Proposal for a regulation

Article 60 – paragraph 1 – point a – point iv

Text proposed by the Commission

(iv) energy saving and energy efficiency increase;

Amendment

(iv) energy saving and energy efficiency increase, **including the use of renewable energy sources, such as the sustainable use of agricultural residues**;

Amendment 404

Proposal for a regulation

Article 60 – paragraph 1 – point a – point iv a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(iv a) reduction of polluting gases and greenhouse gases;

Amendment 405

Proposal for a regulation

Article 60 – paragraph 1 – point a – point v

Text proposed by the Commission

(v) ecological packaging;

Amendment

(v) ecological packaging **and reduction of packaging waste**;

Amendment 406

Proposal for a regulation

Article 60 – paragraph 1 – point a – point vi

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(vi) animal health and welfare;

(vi) **biosecurity**, animal health
protection and welfare;

Amendment 407

Proposal for a regulation

Article 60 – paragraph 1 – point a – point vii a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(vii a) **prevention and management of
tropical and zoonotic disease;**

Amendment 408

Proposal for a regulation

Article 60 – paragraph 1 – point a – point viii

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(viii) improving **pest** resilience;

(viii) improving resilience **to pests
through management practices and
combating animal disease;**

Amendment 409

Proposal for a regulation

Article 60 – paragraph 1 – point a – point ix

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(ix) reducing risks and impacts of
pesticide use;

(ix) reducing risks and impacts **and
dependency** of pesticide use;

Amendment 410

Proposal for a regulation

Article 60 – paragraph 1 – point a – point x

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(x) creating and maintaining habitats

(x) creating and maintaining habitats

favourable to biodiversity;

favourable to biodiversity, ***and promoting local varieties***;

Amendment 411

Proposal for a regulation

Article 60 – paragraph 1 – point a – point x a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(xa) reduction in the use of antimicrobial substances;

Amendment 412

Proposal for a regulation

Article 60 – paragraph 1 – point a – point x b (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(xb) improving the conditions for growing, harvesting and delivering of production;

Amendment 413

Proposal for a regulation

Article 60 – paragraph 1 – point a – point x c (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(xc) market monitoring, knowledge and surveillance actions;

Amendment 414

Proposal for a regulation

Article 60 – paragraph 1 – point a – point x d (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(xd) prevention of attacks on livestock by predators species.

Amendment 415

Proposal for a regulation

Article 60 – paragraph 1 – point b

Text proposed by the Commission

(b) advisory services and technical assistance, in particular regarding climate change adaptation and mitigation;

Amendment

(b) advisory services and technical assistance, in particular regarding **biodiversity** climate change adaptation and mitigation, **combating and improving resilience to pests and animal diseases, as well as the enhancement of the quality of the product**;

Amendment 416

Proposal for a regulation

Article 60 – paragraph 1 – point d a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(da) integrated production;

Amendment 417

Proposal for a regulation

Article 60 – paragraph 1 – point e

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(e) actions to increase the sustainability and efficiency of transport and of storage of products of one or more of the sectors referred to in point (f) of Article **40**;

(e) actions to increase the sustainability and efficiency of transport and of storage of products of one or more of the sectors referred to in point (f) of Article **39**;

Amendment 418

Proposal for a regulation

Article 60 – paragraph 1 – point h

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(h) implementation of traceability and certification systems, in particular the monitoring of the quality of products sold

(h) implementation of traceability **along the entire production chain** and certification systems, in particular the

to final consumers.

monitoring of the quality of products sold to final consumers, ***including the traceability of the origin of olives and the oil at the various stages of the production chain, as well as information of production methods;***

Amendment 419

Proposal for a regulation

Article 60 – paragraph 1 – point h a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(ha) implementation of third country phytosanitary and veterinary protocols.

Amendment 420

Proposal for a regulation

Article 60 – paragraph 2 – introductory part

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

2. As regards the objective referred to in point (h) of Article 59, Member States shall choose in their CAP Strategic Plans one or more of the following types of intervention:

2. As regards the objective referred to ***in point (f) or Article 56 and*** in point (h) of Article 59, Member States shall choose in their CAP Strategic Plans one or more of the following types of intervention:

Amendment 421

Proposal for a regulation

Article 60 – paragraph 2 – point b

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(b) investments in tangible and non-tangible assets making the management of the volumes placed on the market more efficient;

(b) investments in tangible and non-tangible assets making the management of the volumes placed on the market more efficient ***and better adjustment to supply and demand;***

Amendment 422

Proposal for a regulation

Article 60 – paragraph 2 – point c

Text proposed by the Commission

(c) collective storage of products produced by the producer organisation or by members of the producer organisation;

Amendment

(c) collective storage of products produced by the producer organisation or by members of the producer organisation , ***as well as treatment of products to facilitate their storage;***

Amendment 423

Proposal for a regulation

Article 60 – paragraph 2 – point d

Text proposed by the Commission

(d) replanting of orchards where that is necessary following mandatory grubbing up for health or phytosanitary reasons on the instruction of the Member State competent authority or to adapt to climate change;

Amendment

(d) replanting of orchards ***or olive groves*** where that is necessary following mandatory grubbing up for health or phytosanitary reasons on the instruction of the Member State competent authority or to adapt to climate change;

Amendment 424

Proposal for a regulation

Article 60 – paragraph 2 – point d a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(da) support measures for animal health and welfare;

Amendment 425

Proposal for a regulation

Article 60 – paragraph 2 – point d b (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(db) restocking with livestock after compulsory slaughter for health reasons

*or because of losses resulting from
natural disasters;*

Amendment 426

Proposal for a regulation

Article 60 – paragraph 2 – point d c (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(dc) improving genetic resources;

Amendment 427

Proposal for a regulation

Article 60 – paragraph 2 – point d d (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

**(dd) extension of the compulsory
sanitary break at holdings resulting from
an animal disease crisis;**

Amendment 428

Proposal for a regulation

Article 61 – paragraph 7

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

7. Member States shall ensure that the interventions linked to objective referred to in point (h) of Article 59 do not exceed **one third** of the total expenditure under operational programs of producer organisations or associations of producer organisations.

7. Member States shall ensure that the interventions linked to objective referred to in point (h) of Article 59 do not exceed **50%** of the total expenditure under operational programs of producer organisations or associations of producer organisations.

Amendment 429

Proposal for a regulation

Article 62 – title

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

Operational funds

Operational funds **by producers organisations**

Amendment 430

Proposal for a regulation

Article 63 – paragraph 1 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

1a. The 50% limit provided for in paragraph 1 shall be increased to 60% for producer organisations or associations of producer organisations recognised under Regulation (EU) No 1308/2013 for the first five years after the year of recognition, and for producer organisations operating exclusively in areas with natural constraints.

Amendment 431

Proposal for a regulation

Article 64 – paragraph 1 – point a

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(a) **environmental**, climate and other management commitments;

(a) **agri-environmental sustainability**, climate **mitigation and adaption measures** and other management commitments;

Amendment 432

Proposal for a regulation

Article 64 – paragraph 1 – point e

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(e) installation of young farmers **and** rural business start-up;

(e) installation of young farmers, **new farmers and sustainable** rural business start-up **and development**;

Amendment 433

Proposal for a regulation

Article 64 – paragraph 1 – point e a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(e a) women in rural areas;

Amendment 434

Proposal for a regulation

Article 64 – paragraph 1 – point h

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(h) knowledge exchange and information;

(h) knowledge exchange and information; **and**

Amendment 435

Proposal for a regulation

Article 64 – paragraph 1 – point h a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(ha) installation of digital technologies;

Amendment 436

Proposal for a regulation

Article 65 – title

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

Environmental, climate and other management commitments

Agri-environmental sustainability, climate **mitigation and adaption measures** and other management commitments

Amendment 437

Proposal for a regulation

Article 65 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

1. Member States may grant payments for **environmental**, climate and other management commitments under the conditions set out in this Article and as further specified in their CAP Strategic Plans.

Amendment

1. Member States may grant payments for **agri-environmental sustainable practices**, climate **mitigation and adaption, including the natural risks prevention**, and other management commitments, **such as forestry, protection and improvement of genetic resources, and animal health and welfare**, under the conditions set out in this Article and as further specified in their CAP Strategic Plans.

Amendment 438

**Proposal for a regulation
Article 65 – paragraph 3**

Text proposed by the Commission

3. Member States **may** make support under this type of interventions available throughout their territories, in accordance with their national, regional or local specific needs.

Amendment

3. Member States **shall** make support under this type of interventions available throughout their territories, in accordance with their national, regional or local specific needs. **That support shall be limited to maximum amounts laid down in Annex IXa a.**

Amendment 439

**Proposal for a regulation
Article 65 – paragraph 4**

Text proposed by the Commission

4. Member States shall only grant payments to farmers and other **beneficiaries** who undertake, on a voluntary basis, management commitments which are considered to be beneficial to achieving the specific objectives set out in Article 6(1).

Amendment

4. Member States shall only grant payments to farmers, **groups of farmers** and other **land-managers** who undertake, on a voluntary basis, management commitments, **such as the appropriate protection of wetland and organic soil**, which are considered to be beneficial to achieving the **relevant** specific objectives set out in Article 6(1). **Priority may be given to schemes which are specifically**

targeted towards addressing local environmental conditions and needs and contribute, where appropriate, to the achievement of the objectives set out in the legislation listed in Annex XI.

Amendment 440

Proposal for a regulation

Article 65 – paragraph 5 – point b

Text proposed by the Commission

(b) go beyond the minimum requirements for the use of fertiliser and plant protection products, animal welfare, as well as other mandatory requirements established by ***national and*** Union law;

Amendment

(b) go beyond the ***relevant*** minimum requirements for the use of fertiliser and plant protection products, animal welfare, ***prevention of antimicrobial resistance***, as well as other ***relevant*** mandatory requirements established by Union law;

Amendment 441

Proposal for a regulation

Article 65 – paragraph 5 – point d

Text proposed by the Commission

(d) are different ***from*** commitments in respect of which payments are granted under Article 28.

Amendment

(d) are different ***or are complementary to*** commitments in respect of which payments are granted under Article 28, ***while ensuring that there is no double-funding.***

Amendment 442

Proposal for a regulation

Article 65 – paragraph 6

Text proposed by the Commission

6. Member States shall compensate beneficiaries for costs incurred and income foregone resulting from the commitments made. Where necessary, they may also cover transaction costs. In duly justified cases, Member States may grant support as

Amendment

6. Member States shall compensate beneficiaries for costs incurred and income foregone resulting from the commitments made. ***Member States shall also provide a financial incentive to beneficiaries and,*** where necessary, they may also cover

a flat-rate or as a one- off payment per unit.
Payments shall be granted annually.

transaction costs. In duly justified cases,
Member States may grant support as a flat-
rate or as a one- off payment per unit, ***or
per animal, beehive or other identified
unit***. Payments shall be granted annually.

Amendment 443

Proposal for a regulation Article 65 – paragraph 6 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

6 a. The level of payments shall vary according to the level of ambition of sustainability of each practice or set of practices, based on non-discriminatory criteria, in order to offer an effective incentive for participation. Member States may also differentiate payments in accordance with the nature of the restrictions affecting agricultural activities as a result of the commitments made, and in line with different farming systems.

Amendment 444

Proposal for a regulation Article 65 – paragraph 7

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

7. Member States may promote and support collective schemes and result-based payments schemes to encourage farmers to deliver a significant enhancement of the quality of the environment at a larger scale and in a measurable way.

7. Member States may promote and support ***voluntary*** collective schemes, ***and a combination of management commitments in the form of locally-led schemes***, and result-based payments schemes, ***including through a territorial approach***, to encourage ***farmers and groups of*** farmers to deliver a significant enhancement of the quality of the environment at a larger scale and in a measurable way. ***They shall put in place all the means necessary in terms of advice, training and knowledge transfer to assist farmers who change their***

production systems.

Amendment 445

Proposal for a regulation Article 65 – paragraph 8

Text proposed by the Commission

8. Commitments shall be undertaken for a period of five to seven years. However, where necessary in order to achieve or maintain certain environmental benefits sought, Member States may determine a longer period in the CAP Strategic Plan for particular types of commitments, including by means of providing for their annual extension after the termination of the initial period. In **exceptional and** duly justified cases, and for new commitments directly following the commitment performed in the initial period, Member States may determine a shorter period in their CAP Strategic Plans.

Amendment

8. Commitments shall be **usually** undertaken for a period of five to seven years. However, where necessary in order to achieve or maintain certain environmental benefits sought, **including by taking into account the long-term nature of forestry**, Member States may determine a longer period in the CAP Strategic Plan for particular types of commitments, including by means of providing for their annual extension after the termination of the initial period. In duly justified cases, and for new commitments directly following the commitment performed in the initial period, Member States may determine a shorter period in their CAP Strategic Plans.

Amendment 446

Proposal for a regulation Article 65 – paragraph 9

Text proposed by the Commission

9. Where support under this type of interventions is granted to agri-environment-climate commitments, commitments to convert to or maintain organic farming practices and methods as defined in Regulation (EC) No 834/2007 and forest environmental and climate services, Member States shall establish a payment per hectare.

Amendment

9. Where support under this type of interventions is granted to agri-environment-climate commitments, **including** commitments to convert to or maintain organic farming practices and methods as defined in Regulation (EC) No 834/2007, **Integrated Pest Management, protection of agroforestry systems**, and forest environmental and climate services, Member States shall establish a payment per hectare.

Amendment 447

Proposal for a regulation Article 65 – paragraph 10

Text proposed by the Commission

10. Member States shall ensure that persons carrying out operations under this type of interventions have **access to** the knowledge and information required to implement such operations.

Amendment

10. Member States shall ensure that persons carrying out operations under this type of interventions have the **relevant** knowledge and information required to implement such operations, **and that appropriate training is made available for those who require it, as well as access to expertise in order to assist farmers who commit to change their production systems.**

Amendment 448

Proposal for a regulation Article 66 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

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).

Amendment

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).

Amendment 449

Proposal for a regulation Article 66 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

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

Amendment

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**

Amendment 450

Proposal for a regulation Article 66 – paragraph 2 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

2a. 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.

Amendment 451

Proposal for a regulation Article 66 – paragraph 3

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

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.

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. ***They may also provide a financial incentive to beneficiaries to continue farming in these areas. The amount of support may be adjusted to take into account the severity of the natural constraints affecting agricultural activity and the agricultural system. The payments may also, where relevant, take into account socio-economic and environmental factors. Member States***

shall ensure that the calculations are adequate, accurate and established in advance on the basis of a fair calculation method.

Amendment 452

Proposal for a regulation Article 66 – paragraph 5

Text proposed by the Commission

5. Payments shall be granted annually per hectare of area.

Amendment

5. Payments shall be granted annually per hectare of area ***and shall be limited to the minimum and maximum amounts laid down in Annex IXa a.***

Amendment 453

Proposal for a regulation Article 67 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

1. Member States may grant payments for area-specific disadvantages imposed by requirements resulting from the implementation of Directives 92/43/EEC and 2009/147/EC or Directive 2000/60/EC 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).

Amendment

1. Member States may grant payments for area-specific disadvantages imposed by requirements resulting from the implementation of Directives 92/43/EEC and 2009/147/EC or Directive 2000/60/EC 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).

Amendment 454

Proposal for a regulation Article 67 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

2. These payments may be granted to farmers, forest ***holders and*** other land managers ***in respect of areas with***

Amendment

2. These payments may be granted to farmers, ***groups of farmers,*** forest ***owners and groups of forest owners. In duly***

disadvantages referred to in paragraph 1.

justified cases, they may also be granted to other land managers.

Amendment 455

Proposal for a regulation

Article 67 – paragraph 2 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

2a. 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.

Amendment 456

Proposal for a regulation

Article 67 – paragraph 5 – point b

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(b) in respect of constraints arising from Directive 2000/60/EC, in relation to disadvantages resulting from requirements that go beyond the relevant statutory management requirements, with the exception of SMR 2 as referred to in Annex III, and standards of good agricultural and environmental condition established under Section 2 of Chapter I of this Title as well as the conditions established for the maintenance of the agricultural area in accordance with point (a) of Article 4(1) of this Regulation.

(b) in respect of constraints arising from Directive 2000/60/EC, in relation to disadvantages resulting from requirements that go beyond the relevant statutory management requirements, with the exception of SMR 1 as referred to in Annex III, and standards of good agricultural and environmental condition established under Section 2 of Chapter I of this Title as well as the conditions established for the maintenance of the agricultural area in accordance with point (a) of Article 4(1) of this Regulation.

Amendment 457

Proposal for a regulation

Article 67 – paragraph 6

Text proposed by the Commission

6. Payments shall be granted annually per hectare of area.

Amendment

6. Payments shall be granted annually per hectare of area ***and shall be limited to the maximum amounts laid down in Annex IXa a.***

Amendment 458

Proposal for a regulation

Article 68 – paragraph 1 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

1a. In order to be eligible for EAFRD support, investment operations shall be preceded by an assessment of the expected environmental impact in accordance with law specific to that kind of investment where the investment is likely to have negative effects on the environment.

Amendment 459

Proposal for a regulation

Article 68 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

2. Member States may only grant support under this type of interventions for tangible and/or intangible investments, which contribute to achieving the specific objectives set out in Article 6. Support to the forestry sector shall be based on a forest management plan or equivalent instrument.

2. Member States may only grant support under this type of interventions for tangible and/or intangible investments, ***including in collective form,*** which contribute to achieving the ***relevant*** specific objectives set out in Article 6. Support to the forestry sector shall be based on a forest management plan ***which includes the requirement of planting species adapted to local ecosystems,*** or equivalent instrument ***in the case of holdings above a certain size to be determined by the Member State.***

Amendment 460

Proposal for a regulation

Article 68 – paragraph 2 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

2a. Member States may establish a priority for investments made by young farmers under this Article.

Amendment 461

Proposal for a regulation

Article 68 – paragraph 3 – subparagraph 1 – point d

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(d) purchase of animals, ***annual plants and their planting other than for the purpose of restoring agricultural or forestry potential following natural disaster and catastrophic events;***

(d) purchase of animals, ***except those used instead of machines for landscape conservation and for protection against large predators.***

Amendment 462

Proposal for a regulation

Article 68 – paragraph 3 – subparagraph 1 – point d a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(da) purchase of annual plants and their planting other than for the purpose of restoring agricultural or forestry potential following natural disaster and catastrophic events;

Amendment 463

Proposal for a regulation

Article 68 – paragraph 3 – subparagraph 1 – point f

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(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; **deleted**

Amendment 464

Proposal for a regulation

Article 68 – paragraph 3 – subparagraph 1 – point g

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(g) investments in large infrastructures not being part of local development strategies;

(g) investments in large infrastructures not being part of local development strategies. *Member States may also provide for specific derogations for investments in broadband when clear criteria ensuring complementarity with support under other Union instruments is provided;*

Amendment 465

Proposal for a regulation

Article 68 – paragraph 3 – subparagraph 1 – point h a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(ha) investments which are not consistent with animal health and welfare legislation or with Directive 91/676/EEC.

Amendment 466

Proposal for a regulation

Article 68 – paragraph 3 – subparagraph 1 – point h b (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(hb) investments in bioenergy production that are not consistent with the sustainability criteria of the Renewable Energy Directive.

Amendment 467

Proposal for a regulation

Article 68 – paragraph 3 – subparagraph 1 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

By way of derogation from points (a) to (h) of the first subparagraph, Member States may provide for derogations in island regions, included outermost regions, to tackle disadvantages linked to insularity and remoteness.

Amendment 468

Proposal for a regulation

Article 68 – paragraph 4 – subparagraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

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

Member States shall limit the support to the maximum rate of the eligible costs ***laid down in Annex IXa a.***

Amendment 469

Proposal for a regulation

Article 68 – paragraph 4 – subparagraph 2 – point a

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(a) afforestation and non-productive investments linked to the specific environmental- and climate-related objectives set out in points (d), (e) and (f) of Article 6(1);

(a) afforestation, ***establishment of agroforestry systems*** and non-productive investments, ***including land consolidation***, linked to the specific environmental- and climate-related objectives set out in

points(d), (e) and (f) of Article 6(1);

Amendment 470

Proposal for a regulation

Article 68 – paragraph 4 – subparagraph 2 – point c

Text proposed by the Commission

(c) investments in the restoration of agricultural or forestry potential following natural disasters or catastrophic events and investments in appropriate preventive actions in forests and in the rural environment.

Amendment

(c) investments in the restoration of agricultural or forestry potential ***damaged*** following ***fires and other*** natural disasters or catastrophic events, ***including storms, floods, pests and disease, as well as restoring of forests through demining,*** and investments in appropriate preventive actions in forests and in the rural environment, ***as well as investments in maintaining the health of forests;***

Amendment 471

Proposal for a regulation

Article 68 – paragraph 4 – subparagraph 2 – point c a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(ca) investments in innovative production techniques and systems simultaneously contributing to the objectives referred to in points (a), (b), (d), (e) and (f) of Article 6(1);

Amendment 472

Proposal for a regulation

Article 68 – paragraph 4 – subparagraph 2 – point c b (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(cb) investments for protecting herds against predators;

Amendment 473

Proposal for a regulation

Article 68 – paragraph 4 – subparagraph 2 – point c c (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(cc) investments in outermost regions and areas with natural constraints, including mountain and island regions;

Amendment 474

Proposal for a regulation

Article 68 – paragraph 4 – subparagraph 2 – point c d (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(cd) investments linked to animal welfare.

Amendment 475

Proposal for a regulation

Article 68 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

Article 68a

Investments in irrigation

1. Without prejudice to Article 68 of this Regulation, in the case of irrigation in new and existing irrigated areas and drained areas, only investments that fulfil the conditions laid down in this Article shall be considered as eligible expenditure.

2. A river basin management plan, as required under the terms of Directive 2000/60/EC shall have been notified to the Commission for the entire area in which the investment is to take place, as well as in any other areas whose environment may be affected by the investment. The measures taking effect under the river basin management plan in

accordance with Article 11 of that Directive and of relevance to the agricultural sector shall have been specified in the relevant programme of measures.

3. Water metering enabling measurement of water use at the level of the supported investment shall be in place or shall be put in place as part of the investment.

4. An investment in an improvement to an existing irrigation installation or element of irrigation infrastructure shall be eligible only if it is assessed ex ante as offering potential water savings of a minimum of between 5% and 25% according to the technical parameters of the existing installation or infrastructure.

If the investment affects bodies of ground- or surface water whose status has been identified as less than good in the relevant river basin management plan only for reasons of water quantity:

(a) the investment shall ensure an effective reduction in water use, at the level of the investment, amounting to at least 50% of the potential water saving made possible by the investment;

(b) in the case of an investment on a single agricultural holding, it shall also result in a reduction to the holding's total water use amounting to at least 50 % of the potential water saving made possible at the level of the investment. The total water use of the holding shall include water sold by the holding.

None of the conditions in paragraph 4 shall apply to an investment in an existing installation which affects only energy efficiency or to an investment in the creation of a reservoir or to an investment in the use of recycled water which does not affect a body of ground or surface water.

5. An investment resulting in a net increase of the irrigated area affecting a

given body of ground or surface water shall be eligible only if:

(a) the status of the water body has not been identified as less than good in the relevant river basin management plan only for reasons of water quantity; and

(b) an ex-ante environmental analysis shows that there will be no significant negative environmental impact from the investment; such an environmental impact analysis shall be either carried out by or approved by the competent authority and may also refer to groups of holdings.

Areas which are not irrigated but in which an irrigation installation was active in the past, to be established and justified in the programme, may be considered as irrigated areas for the purpose of determining the net increase of the irrigated area.

6. By way of derogation from point (a) of paragraph 5 investments resulting in a net increase in the irrigated area may still be eligible if:

(a) the investment is combined with an investment in an existing irrigation installation or element of irrigation infrastructure assessed ex-ante as offering potential water savings of a minimum of between 5 % and 25 % according to the technical parameters of the existing installation or infrastructure and

(b) the investment ensures an effective reduction in water use, at the level of the investment as a whole, amounting to at least 50% of the potential water saving made possible by the investment in the existing irrigation installation or element of infrastructure.

7. Member States shall limit the support to the maximum rate of 75 % of the eligible costs. The maximum support rate may be increased for investments in outermost regions and areas with natural constraints, including mountain and

island regions.

Amendment 476

**Proposal for a regulation
Article 68 b (new)**

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

Article 68 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 the eligible costs laid down in Annex IXa a.***

Amendment 477

**Proposal for a regulation
Article 69 – title**

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

Installation of young farmers ***and*** rural business start-up

Installation of young farmers, ***new farmers, sustainable*** rural business start-up ***and development***

Amendment 478

Proposal for a regulation Article 69 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

1. Member States may grant support for the installation of young farmers and rural business start-up 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.

Amendment

1. Member States may grant support for the installation of young farmers ***or their incorporation into existing farm businesses, new farmers,*** and rural business start-up ***and development, including for diversification of agricultural activities,*** 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. Support under this Article shall be conditional on the presentation of a business plan.***

Amendment 479

Proposal for a regulation Article 69 – paragraph 2 – introductory part

Text proposed by the Commission

2. Member States may only grant support under this ***type of interventions*** to help:

Amendment

2. Member States may only grant support under this ***Article*** to help:

Amendment 480

Proposal for a regulation Article 69 – paragraph 2 – point a a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(aa) the installation of new farmers.

Amendment 481

Proposal for a regulation Article 69 – paragraph 2 – point b

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(b) the start-up of rural business linked to agriculture **and** forestry or **farm household** income diversification;

(b) the start-up **and development** of rural business linked to agriculture, forestry, **bio economy, circular economy and agri-tourism**, or income diversification;

Amendment 482

Proposal for a regulation

Article 69 – paragraph 2 – point c

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(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.**

Amendment 483

Proposal for a regulation

Article 69 – paragraph 2 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

2a. Member States may lay down specific provisions for 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 provisions shall comply with the principle of proportionality and identify the participation of the young farmers and new farmers within the structure.

Amendment 484

Proposal for a regulation

Article 69 – paragraph 4

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

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. Member States shall grant support in the form of lump sums, **which may be differentiated in accordance with objective criteria**. Support shall be limited to the maximum amount **laid down in Annex IXa a** and may be combined with financial instruments.

Amendment 485

Proposal for a regulation

Article 69 – paragraph 4 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

4a. Support pursuant to this Article may be granted in several tranches.

Amendment 486

Proposal for a regulation

Article 70 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

1. Member States **shall** grant support for risk management tools under the conditions set out in this Article and as further specified in their CAP Strategic Plans.

1. Member States **may** grant support for risk management tools, **taking into account their needs and SWOT analyses**, under the conditions set out in this Article and as further specified in their CAP Strategic Plans. **Member States shall ensure that this provision is not detrimental to private or public national risk management tools.**

Amendment 487

Proposal for a regulation

Article 70 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

2. **Member States shall grant** support

2. Support under this type of

under this type of interventions ***in order*** to promote risk management tools, which help ***genuine*** farmers manage production and income risks related to their agricultural activity which are outside their control and which contribute to achieving the specific objectives set out in Article 6.

interventions ***may be granted*** to promote risk management tools, which help ***active*** farmers manage production and income risks related to their agricultural activity which are outside their control and which contribute to achieving the ***relevant*** specific objectives set out in Article 6.
These tools may consist of multi-risk management systems.

In addition, risk mitigation strategies shall be encouraged to increase farm resilience against natural and climate change-related risks and reduce exposure to income instability.

Amendment 488

Proposal for a regulation Article 70 – paragraph 3 – point a

Text proposed by the Commission

(a) financial contributions to premiums for insurance schemes;

Amendment

(a) financial contributions to ***premiums for insurance schemes, by covering losses caused by adverse climatic events, natural disasters or catastrophic events, by outbreaks of animal or plant disease, by an environmental incident, by contamination of organic crops, or by a measure adopted pursuant to Directive 2000/29/EC to eradicate or contain a plant disease or pest,***

Amendment 489

Proposal for a regulation Article 70 – paragraph 3 – point b

Text proposed by the Commission

(b) financial contributions to mutual funds, including the administrative cost of setting up;

Amendment

(b) financial contributions to mutual funds, including the administrative cost of setting up, ***with a view to payment of financial compensation to farmers for losses caused by adverse climatic events, natural disasters or catastrophic events,***

by outbreaks of animal or plant disease, by an environmental incident, by contamination of organic crops, or by a measure adopted pursuant to Directive 2000/29/EC to eradicate or contain a plant disease or pest;

Amendment 490

Proposal for a regulation

Article 70 – paragraph 3 – point b a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(ba) financial contributions to an income stabilisation tool taking the form of a mutual fund and providing:

(i) compensation for farmers of all sectors in the event of a sharp fall in their income;

(ii) compensation for farmers of a specific sector in the event of a sharp fall in their income;

Amendment 491

Proposal for a regulation

Article 70 – paragraph 3 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

3a. Member States shall limit the financial contributions to mutual funds referred to in points (b) and (c) of paragraph 3 to the following elements:

(a) the administrative costs of setting up the mutual fund, spread over a maximum period of three years in a regressive manner;

(b) the amounts paid by the mutual fund as financial compensation to farmers. In addition, the financial contribution may relate to interest on commercial loans taken out by the mutual fund for the purpose of paying the financial

compensation to farmers in case of crisis;
(c) supplementing the annual payments into the fund;
(d) the initial capital stock of the mutual fund.

Amendment 492

Proposal for a regulation

Article 70 – paragraph 4 – point a

Text proposed by the Commission

(a) the types and coverage of eligible insurance schemes and mutual funds;

Amendment

(a) the types and coverage of eligible insurance schemes and mutual funds ***and income stabilisation tools;***

Amendment 493

Proposal for a regulation

Article 70 – paragraph 4 – point b

Text proposed by the Commission

(b) the methodology for the calculation of losses and triggering factors for compensation;

Amendment

(b) the methodology for the calculation of losses and triggering factors for compensation, ***including by using biological, climate or economic indexes applied at the level of the holding, or at local, regional or national level;***

Amendment 494

Proposal for a regulation

Article 70 – paragraph 6

Text proposed by the Commission

6. Member States shall limit the support to the maximum rate of ***70% of*** the eligible costs.

Amendment

6. Member States shall limit the support to the maximum rate of the eligible costs ***laid down in Annex IXa a.***

Amendment 495

Proposal for a regulation

Article 70 – paragraph 7 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

7a. Any Member States that introduce national risk management schemes or already have such schemes before ... [the date of entry into force of this Regulation] may use the instruments set out in this Article to cover any risk types not covered by those schemes.

Amendment 496

Proposal for a regulation

Article 71 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

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.

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 ***including those whose products are covered by Regulation (EU) No 1151/2012.***

Amendment 497

Proposal for a regulation

Article 71 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

2. Member States may only grant

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.

support under this type of interventions to promote forms of cooperation ***and sustain existing ones*** which involves at least two entities, ***of which at least one is involved in agricultural production***, and which contributes to achieving the specific objectives set out in Article 6.

Amendment 498

Proposal for a regulation

Article 71 – paragraph 2 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

2a. 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.

Amendment 499

Proposal for a regulation

Article 71 – paragraph 3

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

3. Member States may cover under this type of interventions the costs related to all aspects of the cooperation.

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

Amendment 500

Proposal for a regulation

Article 71 – paragraph 4 – subparagraph 1 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

The Member States may grant support intended to encourage quality schemes, producer organisations or producer

groups or other forms of cooperation, in the form of a lump sum.

Amendment 501

Proposal for a regulation Article 71 – paragraph 8

Text proposed by the Commission

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).

Amendment

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 ***objectives related to the*** environment- and ***to*** climate set out in points (d), (e) and (f) of Article 6(1).

Amendment 502

Proposal for a regulation Article 71 – paragraph 8 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

8a. 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.

Amendment 503

Proposal for a regulation Article 71 – paragraph 8 b (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

8b. Support for quality schemes for agricultural products and foodstuffs, 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 504

Proposal for a regulation Article 71 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

Article 71a

Thematic sub-programmes for quality schemes for agricultural products and foodstuffs

Member States may establish a thematic sub-programme for the quality schemes for agricultural products and foodstuffs provided for in Regulation (EU) No 1151/2012 that achieves the specific objectives set out in Article 6(1).

Amendment 505

Proposal for a regulation Article 72 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

1. Member States may grant support for ***agricultural, forestry and rural business*** knowledge exchange and information under the conditions set out in this Article and as further specified in their CAP Strategic Plans.

1. Member States may grant support for knowledge exchange and information ***on an individual or collective basis*** under the conditions set out in this Article and as further specified in their CAP Strategic Plans ***for agricultural, forestry, including agroforestry, environmental and climate protection, rural business, Smart Villages and CAP interventions.***

Amendment 506

Proposal for a regulation Article 72 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

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.

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

Amendment 507

Proposal for a regulation

Article 72 – paragraph 3 – subparagraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

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

Member States **may provide** support **for up to the** maximum **rate laid down in Annex IXa a**.

Amendment 508

Proposal for a regulation

Article 72 – paragraph 3 – subparagraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

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**.

By way of derogation from the first subparagraph, in the case of setting-up of farm advisory services, Member States may grant support **up to the** maximum **amount laid down in Annex IXa a**.

Amendment 509

Proposal for a regulation

Article 72 – paragraph 4

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

4. By way of derogation from paragraph 3, in outermost regions and

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other duly justified cases Member States may apply a higher rate or a higher amount than that set in in that paragraph to achieve the specific objectives set out in Article 6.

Amendment 510

Proposal for a regulation Article 72 – paragraph 6 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

6a. 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.

Amendment 511

Proposal for a regulation Article 72 – paragraph 6 b (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

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 that task.

Amendment 512

Proposal for a regulation Article 72 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

Article 72a

Measures in favour of rural women

1. Member States 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 513

Proposal for a regulation Article 72 b(new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

Article 72b

Development of Smart Villages Strategy

1. In order to promote digitalisation and innovation, facilitate business development, social inclusion and employment in rural areas, Member States shall develop and implement the Smart Villages Strategy in their CAP Strategic Plans, taking into account the types of interventions set out in points (a), (b), (d), (e), (g) and (h) of Article 64 and elements that ensure modernisation and strategies as set in Article 102.

2. Additional to the types of interventions set in previous point, Member States should take particular care of measures, addressing the following issues in rural areas:

- (a) digitalisation of rural economy;*
- (b) precision agriculture;*
- (c) development of digital platforms;*
- (d) rural mobility;*
- (e) social innovation;*
- (f) development of smart energy systems, grids and storage at local level,*

as well as supporting the development of energy cooperatives;

3. Member States shall take particular note of coordination between EAFRD and other European Structural and Investment Funds, as set in point (iii) of Article 98(d).

4. Member States may include their Smart Villages Strategy into the integrated strategies of Community-led local development as set in Article 25(c) of the Regulation (EU) 2018/xxxx [new CPR].

Amendment 514

Proposal for a regulation

Article 73 – paragraph 1 – subparagraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

The Managing Authority of the CAP Strategic Plan or other designated intermediate bodies shall define selection criteria for interventions relating to the following types of interventions: investments, installation of young farmers and rural business start-up, cooperation, knowledge exchange and information, after consultation of the Monitoring Committee referred to in Article 111. Selection criteria shall aim to ensure equal treatment of applicants, better use of financial resources and targeting of the support in accordance with the purpose of the interventions.

Amendment

The Managing Authority of the CAP Strategic Plan, *or, where applicable, regional management authorities*, or other designated intermediate bodies, shall define selection criteria for interventions relating to the following types of interventions: investments, installation of young farmers and *new farmers*, rural business start-up, cooperation, knowledge exchange and information, *specific measures in favour of rural women and installation of digital technologies*, after consultation of the Monitoring Committee referred to in Article 111. Selection criteria shall aim to ensure equal treatment of applicants, better use of financial resources and targeting of the support in accordance with the purpose of the interventions.

Amendment 515

Proposal for a regulation

Article 73 – paragraph 1 – subparagraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

Member States may decide to not apply selection criteria for investment ***interventions clearly targeting environmental purposes or realised*** in connection with restoration activities.

Member States may decide to not apply selection criteria for investment in connection with restoration activities ***following catastrophic events***.

Amendment 516

**Proposal for a regulation
Article 73 – paragraph 4**

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

4. Selection criteria may not be defined for operations that have received a Seal of Excellence certification under Horizon 2020 or Horizon Europe or have been selected under Life +, provided that such operations are consistent with the CAP Strategic Plan.

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Amendment 517

**Proposal for a regulation
Article 74 – paragraph 5 – subparagraph 1 a (new)**

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

Where farmers are affected by severe climate conditions and/or market crisis, payments under point (a) of this paragraph maybe guaranteed against working capital.

Amendment 518

**Proposal for a regulation
Article 74 – paragraph 5 a (new)**

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

5a. Where funds under this Article are not used or returned from the Financial

Instrument, they should be retained for use in the Rural Development part of the CAP Strategic Plan.

Amendment 519

Proposal for a regulation Article 75

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

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Amendment 520

Proposal for a regulation Article 78 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

The Commission is empowered to adopt delegated acts in accordance with Article 138 supplementing ***this Regulation with requirements additional to those laid down in this Chapter concerning the conditions for granting support for the following types of interventions for rural development:***

The Commission is empowered to adopt delegated acts in accordance with Article 138 supplementing ***Annex IXa on the minimum and maximum ceilings for payments under*** this Chapter.

- (a) management commitments as referred to in Article 65;***
- (b) investments as referred to in Article 68;***
- (c) cooperation as referred to in Article 71.***

Amendment 521

Proposal for a regulation Article 79 – title

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

EAGF and EAFRD expenditure

Financial Allocation of the EAGF and EAFRD

Amendment 522

Proposal for a regulation

Article 79 – paragraph 1 – introductory part

Text proposed by the Commission

1. The EAGF shall finance the types of interventions related to:

Amendment

1. ***The financial envelope for the EAGF for the period 2021-2027 shall be EUR 286 143 million in 2018 prices (EUR 322 511 million in current prices).***

Within this financial envelope and notwithstanding the provisions of Chapter I of Title II of Regulation (EU) [HzR], the EAGF shall finance the types of interventions related to:

Amendment 523

Proposal for a regulation

Article 79 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

2. The EAFRD shall finance the types of interventions referred to in Chapter IV of Title III.

Amendment

2. ***The financial envelope for the European Agricultural Fund for Rural Development for the period 2021-2027 shall be EUR 96 712 million in 2018 prices (EUR 109 000 million in current prices).***

The EAFRD shall finance the types of interventions referred to in Chapter IV of Title III, technical assistance at the initiative of the Member States referred to in Article 112 and technical assistance at the initiative of the Commission referred to in Article 83(2).

Amendment 524

Proposal for a regulation

Article 80 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

1. Expenditure shall be eligible for contribution from the EAGF and the EAFRD **from 1 January of the year** following **the year of** the approval of the CAP Strategic Plan by the Commission.

Amendment

1. Expenditure shall be eligible for contribution from the EAGF and the EAFRD following the approval of the CAP Strategic Plan by the Commission.

Amendment 525

Proposal for a regulation

Article 80 – paragraph 2 – subparagraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

Expenditure that becomes eligible as a result of an amendment to a CAP Strategic Plan shall be eligible for a contribution from the EAFRD from the date of submission to the Commission of the request for amendment.

Amendment

Expenditure that becomes eligible as a result of an amendment to a CAP Strategic Plan shall be eligible for a contribution from the EAFRD **and EAGF** from the date of submission to the Commission of the request for amendment.

Amendment 526

Proposal for a regulation

Article 80 – paragraph 2 – subparagraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

By way of derogation from Article 73(5) and the first subparagraph, in cases of emergency measures due to natural disasters, catastrophic events or adverse climatic events or a significant and sudden change in the socio-economic conditions of the Member State or region, the CAP Strategic Plan may provide that eligibility of EAFRD financed expenditure relating to amendments of the plan may start from the date on which the event occurred.

Amendment

By way of derogation from Article 73(5) and the first subparagraph, in cases of emergency measures due to natural disasters, catastrophic events, **including fire, drought and flooding**, or adverse climatic events, **epidemics** or a significant and sudden change in the socio-economic conditions of the Member State or region, the CAP Strategic Plan may provide that eligibility of EAFRD financed expenditure relating to amendments of the plan may start from the date on which the event occurred.

Amendment 527

Proposal for a regulation

Article 80 – paragraph 3

Text proposed by the Commission

3. Expenditure shall be eligible for a contribution from the EAFRD if it has been incurred by a beneficiary and paid by 31 December **[2029]**. In addition, expenditure shall only be eligible for a contribution from the EAFRD if the relevant aid is actually paid by the paying agency by 31 December **[2029]**.

Amendment

3. Expenditure shall be eligible for a contribution from the EAFRD if it has been incurred by a beneficiary and paid by 31 December **[2030]**. In addition, expenditure shall only be eligible for a contribution from the EAFRD if the relevant aid is actually paid by the paying agency by 31 December **[2030]**.

Amendment 528

Proposal for a regulation

Article 82 – paragraph 3

Text proposed by the Commission

3. The Union financial assistance for types of intervention in the hops sector allocated to Germany shall be EUR **2 188 000** per year.

Amendment

3. The Union financial assistance for types of intervention in the hops sector allocated to Germany shall be EUR **X** per year.

Amendment 529

Proposal for a regulation

Article 82 – paragraph 4 – point a

Text proposed by the Commission

(a) EUR **10 666 000** per year for Greece;

Amendment

(a) EUR **X** per year for Greece;

Amendment 530

Proposal for a regulation

Article 82 – paragraph 4 – point b

Text proposed by the Commission

(b) EUR **554 000** per year for France;

Amendment

(b) EUR **X** per year for France; and

and

Amendment 531

Proposal for a regulation

Article 82 – paragraph 4 – point c

Text proposed by the Commission

(c) EUR **34 590 000** per year for Italy.

Amendment

(c) EUR **X** per year for Italy.

Amendment 532

Proposal for a regulation

Article 82 – paragraph 7

Text proposed by the Commission

7. Member States may, **in 2023**, review their decisions referred to in paragraph 6 as part of a request for amendment of their CAP Strategic Plans, referred to in Article 107.

Amendment

7. **Two years after the date of application of their Strategic Plans**, Member States may review their decisions referred to in paragraph 6 as part of a request for amendment of their CAP Strategic Plans, referred to in Article 107.

Amendment 533

Proposal for a regulation

Article 83 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

1. The total amount of Union support for types of interventions for rural development under this Regulation for the period from 1 January 2021 to 31 December 2027 shall be EUR **78 811** million in current prices in accordance with the multiannual financial framework for the years 2021 to 2027³⁸.

Amendment

1. The total amount of Union support for types of interventions for rural development under this Regulation for the period from 1 January 2021 to 31 December 2027 shall be EUR **109000** million in current prices in accordance with the multiannual financial framework for the years 2021 to 2027³⁸.

³⁸ Proposal for a Council Regulation laying down the multiannual financial framework for the years 2021-2027 Communication from the Commission to the European

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Amendment 534

Proposal for a regulation Article 85 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

1. The CAP Strategic Plans shall establish a single EAFRD contribution ***rate applicable to all*** interventions.

Amendment

1. The CAP Strategic Plans shall establish a single EAFRD contribution ***to support interventions in regions corresponding to level 2 of the common classification of territorial units for statistics ('NUTS level 2 regions') established by Regulation (EC) No 1059/2003.***

Amendment 535

Proposal for a regulation Article 85 – paragraph 1 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

1a. Resources from the EAFRD shall be allocated among the following three categories of NUTS level 2 regions:

(a) less developed regions, whose GDP per capita is less than 75% of the average GDP of the EU-27 ('less developed regions');

(b) transition regions, whose GDP per capita is between 75% and 100% of the average GDP of the EU-27 ('transition regions');

(c) more developed regions, whose GDP per capita is above 100% of the average GDP of the EU-27 ('more developed regions').

The classification of regions under one of the three categories of regions shall be

determined on the basis of how the GDP per capita of each region, measured in purchasing power standards ('PPS') and calculated on the basis of Union figures for the period 2014-2016, relates to the average GDP of the EU-27 for the same reference period.

Amendment 536

Proposal for a regulation

Article 85 – paragraph 2 – subparagraph 1 – point a

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(a) 70% of the eligible public expenditure in the outermost regions and in the smaller Aegean islands within the meaning of Regulation (EU) No 229/2013;

(a) 85% of the eligible public expenditure in the outermost regions and in the smaller Aegean islands within the meaning of Regulation (EU) No 229/2013;

Amendment 537

Proposal for a regulation

Article 85 – paragraph 2 – subparagraph 1 – point b

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(b) 70% of the eligible public expenditure in the less developed regions;

(b) 85% of the eligible public expenditure in the less developed regions;

Amendment 538

Proposal for a regulation

Article 85 – paragraph 2 – subparagraph 1 – point b a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(ba) 65% for regions in transition;

Amendment 539

Proposal for a regulation

Article 85 – paragraph 2 – subparagraph 1 – point c

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(c) **65%** of the eligible expenditure for payments under Article 66;

(c) **75%** of the eligible expenditure for payments under Article 66;

Amendment 540

Proposal for a regulation

Article 85 – paragraph 2 – subparagraph 1 – point d

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(d) **43%** of the eligible public expenditure in the other regions.

(d) **53%** of the eligible public expenditure in the other regions.

Amendment 541

Proposal for a regulation

Article 85 – paragraph 3 – point a

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(a) **80 %** for management commitments referred to in Article 65 of this Regulation, for payments under Article 67 of this Regulation, for non-productive investments referred to in Article 68 of this Regulation, for support **for** the European Innovation Partnership under Article 71 of this Regulation and for the LEADER, referred to as community-led local development in Article 25 of Regulation (EU) [CPR];

(a) **90%** for management commitments referred to in Article 65 of this Regulation, for payments under Article 67 of this Regulation, for non-productive investments referred to in Article 68 of this Regulation, ***which are linked to afforestation and the specific environmental and climate objectives referred to in points (d), (e) and (f) of Article 6(1) for operations covered in point (a) of Article 69(2),*** for support ***to*** the European Innovation Partnership under Article 71 of this Regulation and for the LEADER, referred to as community-led local development in Article 25 of Regulation (EU) [CPR], ***operations under Article 72, for operations that are supported through financial instruments, for the measures under Article 72a (new) and for depopulated areas.***

Amendment 542

Proposal for a regulation

Article 85 – paragraph 3 – point b

Text proposed by the Commission

(b) 100% for operations receiving funding from funds transferred to the EAFRD in accordance with **Articles 15 and 90** of this Regulation.

Amendment

(b) 100% for operations receiving funding from funds transferred to the EAFRD in accordance with **Article 90** of this Regulation, **when those operations address specific environmental and climate related objectives referred to in points (d), (e) and (f) of Article 6(1).**

Amendment 543

Proposal for a regulation

Article 86 – paragraph 2 – subparagraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

At least 30% of the total EAFRD contribution to the CAP Strategic Plan as set out in Annex IX shall be reserved for interventions addressing the specific environmental- and climate-related objectives set out in points (d), (e) **and (f)** of Article 6(1) of this Regulation, **excluding interventions based on** Article 66.

Amendment

At least 30% of the total EAFRD contribution to the CAP Strategic Plan as set out in Annex IX shall be reserved for interventions **of all types** addressing the specific environmental- and climate-related objectives set out in points (d), (e), **(f) and (i)** of Article 6(1) of this Regulation.

A maximum of 40 % of payments granted in accordance with Article 66 may be taken into account for the purposes of calculating the total EAFRD contribution referred to in the first subparagraph.

Amendment 544

Proposal for a regulation

Article 86 – paragraph 2 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

2a. At least 30% of the total EAFRD contribution to the CAP strategic plan as set out in Annex IX shall be reserved for interventions under Articles 68, 70, 71 and 72 for specific objectives aimed at

fostering the development of an intelligent, resilient and diversified agricultural sector as defined in points (a), (b) and (c) of Article 6(1) of this Regulation.

Amendment 545

Proposal for a regulation Article 86 – paragraph 4

Text proposed by the Commission

4. *For each Member State the minimum amount set out in Annex X shall be reserved for contributing to the specific objective 'attract young farmers and facilitate business development' set out in point (g) of Article 6(1). On the basis of the analysis of the situation in terms of strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and threats ('the SWOT analysis') and the identification of the needs that are to be addressed, the amount shall be used for the following types of interventions:*

(a) the Complementary Income Support for Young Farmer as laid down in Article 27;

(b) the installation of young farmers referred to in Article 69.

Amendment

4. Member States shall reserve at least the amounts set out in Annex X for the complementary income support for Young Farmers as laid down in Article 27.

Amendment 546

Proposal for a regulation Article 86 – paragraph 4 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

4a. Member States shall reserve at least 60% of the amounts laid down in Annex VII for basic income support for sustainability and the redistributive payment as referred to in subsections 2 and 3 of Section 2 of Chapter II of Title III.

Amendment 547

Proposal for a regulation

Article 86 – paragraph 4 b (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

4b. Member States shall reserve at least 5 % of the amounts laid down in Annex VII to support the redistributive payment referred to in Article 26.

Amendment 548

Proposal for a regulation

Article 86 – paragraph 4 c (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

4c. Member States shall reserve at least 20 % of the amounts laid down in Annex VII for interventions referred to in Article 28.

Amendment 549

Proposal for a regulation

Article 86 – paragraph 5 – subparagraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

The indicative financial allocations for the coupled income support interventions referred to in Subsection 1 of Section 2 of Chapter II of Title III, shall be limited to a maximum of 10% of the amounts set out in Annex VII.

The indicative financial allocations for the coupled income support interventions referred to in Subsection 1 of Section 2 of Chapter II of Title III, shall be limited to a maximum of 10% of the amounts set out in Annex VII. **Member States may transfer a part of it to increase the maximum allocation set up in Article 82(6) if that allocation is insufficient to finance the interventions covered under Section 7 of Chapter III of Title III.**

Amendment 550

Proposal for a regulation

Article 86 – paragraph 6

Text proposed by the Commission

6. Without prejudice to Article 15 of Regulation (EU) [HzR], the maximum amount which may be granted in a Member State before the application of Article 15 of this Regulation pursuant to Subsection 1 of Section 2 of Chapter II of Title III of this Regulation in respect of a calendar year shall not exceed the amounts fixed in the CAP Strategic Plan in accordance with paragraph 6.

Amendment

6. Without prejudice to Article 15 of Regulation (EU) [HzR], the maximum amount which may be granted in a Member State before the application of Article 15 of this Regulation pursuant to Subsection 1 of Section 2 of Chapter II of Title III of this Regulation in respect of a calendar year shall not exceed the amounts fixed in the CAP Strategic Plan in accordance with paragraph 5.

Amendment 551

Proposal for a regulation

Article 86 – paragraph 7

Text proposed by the Commission

7. Member States may decide in their CAP Strategic Plan to use a certain share of the EAFRD allocation to leverage support and upscale integrated Strategic Nature Projects as defined under the [LIFE Regulation] and to finance actions in respect of transnational learning mobility of people in the field agricultural and rural development with a focus on young farmers, in accordance with the [Erasmus Regulation].

Amendment

7. Member States may decide in their CAP Strategic Plan to use a certain share of the EAFRD allocation to leverage support and upscale integrated Strategic Nature Projects as defined under the [LIFE Regulation] **when farmers communities are involved** and to finance actions in respect of transnational learning mobility of people in the field agricultural and rural development with a focus on young farmers, in accordance with the [Erasmus Regulation], **and on rural women**.

Amendment 552

Proposal for a regulation

Article 87 – paragraph 2 – point c

Text proposed by the Commission

(c) 100% for expenditure for the interventions referred to in the first

Amendment

(c) 100% for expenditure for the interventions referred to in the first

subparagraph of Article 86(2);

subparagraph of Article 86(2), *with the exception of the expenditure referred to in point (d)*;

Amendment 553

Proposal for a regulation Article 87 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

Article 87a

Tracking of competitiveness boosting expenditure

- 1. On the basis of the information provided by Member States, the Commission shall evaluate the contribution of the policy to the boosting of competitiveness objectives using a simple and common methodology.***
- 2. The contribution to the expenditure target shall be estimated through the application of specific weightings differentiated on the basis of whether the support makes a significant or a moderate contribution towards boosting competitiveness as linked to the cross-cutting objective referred to in Article 5 and the economic objectives in points (a), (b) and (c) of Article 6(1). Those weightings shall be based on a set of indicators measuring those objectives and shall be developed by the Commission by means of delegated acts in accordance with Article 138.***

Amendment 554

Proposal for a regulation Article 89 – paragraph 1 – subparagraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

Percentage of variation is the percentage by which the realised average or uniform unit amount may exceed the planned

Percentage of variation is the percentage by which the realised average or uniform ***indicative*** unit amount may exceed the

average or uniform unit amount referred to in the CAP Strategic Plan.

planned average or uniform *indicative* unit amount referred to in the CAP Strategic Plan.

Amendment 555

Proposal for a regulation

Article 89 – paragraph 1 – subparagraph 3

Text proposed by the Commission

For each intervention in the form of direct payments, the realised average or uniform unit amount shall never be lower than the planned unit amount, unless the realised output exceeds the planned output as established in the CAP Strategic Plan.

Amendment

For each intervention in the form of direct payments, the realised average or uniform *indicative* unit amount shall never be lower than the planned unit *indicative* amount, unless the realised output exceeds the planned output as established in the CAP Strategic Plan.

Amendment 556

Proposal for a regulation

Article 89 – paragraph 1 – subparagraph 4

Text proposed by the Commission

Where different unit amounts have been defined within an intervention, this subparagraph shall apply to each uniform or average unit amount of that intervention.

Amendment

Where different *indicative* unit amounts have been defined within an intervention, this subparagraph shall apply to each uniform or average *indicative* unit amount of that intervention.

Amendment 557

Proposal for a regulation

Article 89 – paragraph 2 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

2a. Member States may reallocate amounts within types of interventions.

Amendment 558

Proposal for a regulation

Article 90 – paragraph 1 – subparagraph 1 – point a

Text proposed by the Commission

(a) up to 15% of the Member State's allocation for direct payments set out in Annex IV after deduction of the allocations for cotton set in Annex VI for calendar years **2021** to 2026 to the Member State's allocation for EAFRD in financial years **2022 – 2027; or**

Amendment

(a) up to 15% of the Member State's allocation for direct payments set out in Annex IV after deduction of the allocations for cotton set in Annex VI for calendar years **2022** to 2026 to the Member State's allocation for EAFRD in financial years **2023 – 2027, provided that Member States use the corresponding increase for agri-environmental interventions whose beneficiaries are farmers;**

Amendment 559

Proposal for a regulation

Article 90 – paragraph 1 – subparagraph 1 – point b

Text proposed by the Commission

(b) up to **15%** of the Member State's allocation for EAFRD in financial years **2022 – 2027** to the Member State's allocation for direct payments set out in Annex IV for calendar years **2021** to 2026.

Amendment

(b) up to **5%** of the Member State's allocation for EAFRD in financial years **2023 – 2027** to the Member State's allocation for direct payments set out in Annex IV for calendar years **2022** to 2026, **provided that the corresponding increase is allocated to operations covered by Article 28.**

Amendment 560

Proposal for a regulation

Article 90 – paragraph 1 – subparagraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

The percentage of transfer from Member State's allocation for direct payments to its allocation for EAFRD referred to in the first subparagraph may be increased by:

(a) ***up to 15 percentage points***

Amendment

By way of derogation from point (b) of the first subparagraph, Croatia, Poland, Hungary and Slovakia may transfer up to 15% of their EAFRD allocation to direct payments set out in Annex IV, provided that 5% is dedicated to operations covered by Article 28.

provided that Member States use the corresponding increase for EAFRD financed interventions addressing the specific environmental- and climate-related objectives referred to in points (d), (e) and (f) of Article 6(1);

(b) up to 2 percentage points provided that the Member States use the corresponding increase in accordance with point (b) of Article 86(5).

Amendment 561

Proposal for a regulation Article 90 – paragraph 3

Text proposed by the Commission

3. Member States may, in **2023**, review their decisions referred to in paragraph 1 as part of a request for amendment of their CAP Strategic Plans, referred to in Article 107.

Amendment

3. Member States may, in **2024**, review their decisions referred to in paragraph 1 as part of a request for amendment of their CAP Strategic Plans, referred to in Article 107.

Amendment 562

Proposal for a regulation Article 91 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

Member States shall establish CAP Strategic Plans in accordance with this Regulation to implement the Union support financed by the EAGF and the EAFRD for the achievement of the specific objectives set out to in Article 6.

Amendment

Member States ***and, where appropriate, in collaboration with regions***, shall establish CAP Strategic Plans in accordance with this Regulation to implement the Union support financed by the EAGF and the EAFRD for the achievement of the specific objectives set out to in Article ***6(1)***.

Amendment 563

Proposal for a regulation Article 91 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

Based on the SWOT analysis referred to in Article 103(2) and an assessment of needs referred to in Article 96, Member State shall establish in the CAP Strategic Plans an intervention strategy as referred to in Article 97 in which quantitative targets and milestones shall be set to achieve the specific objectives set out in Article 6. The targets shall be defined using a common set of result indicators set out in Annex I.

Amendment

Based on the SWOT analysis referred to in Article 103(2) and an assessment of needs referred to in Article 96, Member State ***and, where appropriate, in collaboration with regions,*** shall establish in the CAP Strategic Plans an intervention strategy as referred to in Article 97 in which quantitative targets and milestones shall be set to achieve the specific objectives set out in Article 6. The targets shall be defined using a common set of result indicators set out in Annex I.

Amendment 564

**Proposal for a regulation
Article 91 – paragraph 4**

Text proposed by the Commission

Each CAP Strategic Plan shall cover the period from 1 January **2021** to 31 December 2027.

Amendment

Each CAP Strategic Plan shall cover the period from 1 January **2022** to 31 December 2027.

Amendment 565

**Proposal for a regulation
Article 91 – paragraph 4 a (new)**

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

The approval of the CAP Strategic Plans and its implementation by Member States shall not cause any delays in the aid application period for beneficiaries nor in the timely payment to beneficiaries of the aid.

Amendment 566

**Proposal for a regulation
Article 92 – title**

Text proposed by the Commission

Increased ambition with regard to ***environmental-*** and climate-related objectives

Amendment

Increased ambition with regard to ***objectives related to agri-environment*** and climate

Amendment 567

**Proposal for a regulation
Article 92 – paragraph 1**

Text proposed by the Commission

1. Member States shall aim to make, through their CAP Strategic Plans and in particular through the elements of the intervention strategy referred to in point (a) of Article 97(2), a greater overall ***contribution*** to the achievement of the specific ***environmental-*** and climate-related objectives set out in points (d), (e) and (f) of Article 6(1) in comparison to the overall ***contribution made*** to the achievement of the objective laid down in point (b) of the first subparagraph of Article 110(2) of Regulation (EU) No 1306/2013 through support under the EAGF and the EAFRD in the period 2014 to 2020.

Amendment

1. Member States shall aim to make, through their CAP Strategic Plans and in particular through the elements of the intervention strategy referred to in point (a) of Article 97(2), a greater overall ***share of the budget allocated*** to the achievement of the specific ***objectives related to agri-environment*** and climate set out in points (d), (e) and (f) of Article 6(1) in comparison to the overall ***share of the budget allocated*** to the achievement of the objective laid down in point (b) of the first subparagraph of Article 110(2) of Regulation (EU) No 1306/2013 through support under the EAGF and the EAFRD in the period 2014 to 2020.

Amendment 568

**Proposal for a regulation
Article 92 – paragraph 2**

Text proposed by the Commission

2. Member States shall explain in their CAP Strategic Plans, on the basis of available information, how they intend to achieve the greater overall contribution set out to in paragraph 1. That explanation shall be based on relevant information such as the elements referred to in points (a) to (f) of Article 95(1) and in ***point*** (b) of

Amendment

2. Member States shall explain in their CAP Strategic Plans, on the basis of available information, how they intend to achieve the greater overall contribution set out to in paragraph 1. That explanation shall be based on relevant information such as the elements referred to in points (a) to (f) of Article 95(1) and in ***points (a) and***

Article 95(2).

(b) of Article 95(2).

Amendment 569

Proposal for a regulation Article 93 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

Each Member State shall establish a single CAP Strategic Plan for its entire territory.

Amendment

Each Member State ***and, where appropriate, in collaboration with regions,*** shall establish a single CAP Strategic Plan for its entire territory.

Amendment 570

Proposal for a regulation Article 93 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

Where elements of the CAP Strategic Plan are established at regional level, the Member State shall ensure the coherence and the consistency with the elements of the CAP Strategic Plan established at national level.

Amendment

Where elements of the CAP Strategic Plan are established ***and/or implemented*** at regional level ***via the Regional Intervention Programmes***, the Member State shall ensure the coherence and the consistency with the elements of the CAP Strategic Plan established at national level.

Amendment 571

Proposal for a regulation Article 94 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

2. The body of the Member State responsible for drawing up the CAP Strategic Plan shall ensure that the competent authorities for the environment and climate are ***effectively*** involved in the preparation of the environmental and climate aspects of the plan.

Amendment

2. The body of the Member State responsible for drawing up the CAP Strategic Plan shall ensure that the competent ***public*** authorities for the environment and climate are ***fully*** involved in the preparation of the environmental and climate aspects of the plan.

Amendment 572

Proposal for a regulation

Article 94 – paragraph 3 – subparagraph 1 – introductory part

Text proposed by the Commission

Each Member State shall organise a partnership with the competent regional and local authorities. The partnership shall include at least the following partners:

Amendment

Each Member State shall organise a partnership with the competent regional and local authorities ***as well as others partners***. The partnership shall include at least the following partners:

Amendment 573

Proposal for a regulation

Article 94 – paragraph 3 – subparagraph 1 – point b

Text proposed by the Commission

(b) economic and social partners;

Amendment

(b) economic and social partners, ***in particular representatives of the agricultural sector, and including Local Action Groups in the context of LEADER programmes***;

Amendment 574

Proposal for a regulation

Article 94 – paragraph 3 – subparagraph 1 – point c

Text proposed by the Commission

(c) relevant bodies representing civil society and where relevant bodies responsible for promoting social inclusion, fundamental rights, gender equality and non-discrimination.

Amendment

(c) relevant bodies representing civil society ***related to all objectives laid down in Article 5 and Article 6(1)*** and where relevant bodies responsible for promoting social inclusion, fundamental rights, gender equality and non-discrimination.

Amendment 575

Proposal for a regulation

Article 94 – paragraph 3 – subparagraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

Member States shall involve those partners in the preparation of the CAP Strategic Plans.

Amendment

Member States shall **fully** involve those partners in the preparation of the CAP Strategic Plans.

Amendment 576

**Proposal for a regulation
Article 94 – paragraph 4**

Text proposed by the Commission

4. Member States and the Commission shall cooperate to ensure effective coordination in the implementation of CAP Strategic Plans, taking account of the principles of proportionality **and** shared management.

Amendment

4. Member States and the Commission shall cooperate to ensure effective coordination in the implementation of CAP Strategic Plans, taking account of the principles of proportionality, shared management **and proper functioning of the internal market.**

Amendment 577

**Proposal for a regulation
Article 94 – paragraph 4 a (new)**

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

4a. The Commission is empowered to adopt a delegated act in accordance with Article 138 to set out a code of conduct to support Member States in the organisation of the partnership referred to in paragraph 3. The code of conduct shall set out the framework within which Member States, in accordance with their national law and regional competences, are to pursue the implementation of the partnership principle.

Amendment 578

**Proposal for a regulation
Article 95 – paragraph 1 – point e**

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(e) target and financial plans;

(e) target and financial plans,
including, where appropriate, those on the regional intervention programmes;

Amendment 579

Proposal for a regulation

Article 95 – paragraph 2 – point c

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(c) Annex III on the consultation of the partners;

(c) Annex III on the consultation of the partners ***a summary of comments submitted by the competent regional and local authorities and the partners as referred to in Article 94(3);***

Amendment 580

Proposal for a regulation

Article 95 – paragraph 2 – point d

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(d) Annex IV on the crop-specific payment for cotton;

(d) Annex IV on the crop-specific payment for cotton, ***where applicable;***

Amendment 581

Proposal for a regulation

Article 95 – paragraph 2 – point e

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(e) Annex V on the additional national financing provided within the scope of the CAP Strategic Plan.

(e) Annex V on ***state aid for the Strategic Plan not exempted from Articles 107, 108 and 109 TFEU, in accordance with Article 131(4), and the additional national financing provided for all development interventions*** within the scope of the CAP Strategic Plan.

Amendment 582

Proposal for a regulation

Article 95 – paragraph 2 – point e a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(ea) Annex VI on the schemes for the climate, environment and animal welfare as referred to in Article 28.

Amendment 583

Proposal for a regulation

Article 95 – paragraph 2 – point e b (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(eb) Annex VII on the Regional Intervention Programmes; and

Amendment 584

Proposal for a regulation

Article 95 – paragraph 2 – point e c (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(ec) Annex VIII on the elements of the Strategic Plans that contribute to increase competitiveness.

Amendment 585

Proposal for a regulation

Article 96 – paragraph 1 – point b

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(b) identification of needs for each specific objective set out in Article 6 based on the evidence from the SWOT analysis. All the needs shall be described, regardless whether they will be addressed through the CAP Strategic Plan or not;

(b) identification of needs for each specific objective set out in Article 6, **including animal welfare**, based on the evidence from the SWOT analysis. All the needs shall be described, regardless whether they will be addressed through the CAP Strategic Plan or not;

Amendment 586

Proposal for a regulation

Article 96 – paragraph 1 – point d

Text proposed by the Commission

(d) where applicable, an analysis of the specific needs of vulnerable geographical areas, such as the outermost regions;

Amendment

(d) where applicable, an analysis of the specific needs of ***isolated or*** vulnerable geographical areas, such as the outermost regions, ***mountainous regions and island regions***;

Amendment 587

Proposal for a regulation

Article 96 – paragraph 1 – point e

Text proposed by the Commission

(e) prioritisation and ranking of needs, ***including a sound justification of*** the choices made and if relevant, why certain identified needs are not addressed or partially addressed in the CAP Strategic Plan.

Amendment

(e) prioritisation and ranking of needs ***in accordance with*** the choices made and if relevant, ***a justification of the reasons*** why certain identified needs are not addressed or partially addressed in the CAP Strategic Plan;

Amendment 588

Proposal for a regulation

Article 96 – paragraph 1 – point e a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(ea) a summary of the areas where baseline information is missing or is insufficient for the purposes of providing a full description of the current situation as regards the specific objectives laid down in Article 6 and for the purposes of monitoring those objectives.

Amendment 589

Proposal for a regulation

Article 96 – paragraph 3

Text proposed by the Commission

Member States shall use the most recent and most reliable data for this assessment.

Amendment

Member States shall use the most recent and most reliable data for this assessment ***and shall utilise data disaggregated by gender, where relevant.***

Amendment 590

Proposal for a regulation

Article 97 – paragraph 2 – point a a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(aa) an explanation of the social and economic architecture of the CAP Strategic Plan, describing the complementarity and basic conditions between the different interventions aimed at the specific objectives related to agricultural economic development and rural areas defined respectively in points (a), (b), (c), (g), (h) and (i) of Article 6(1);

Amendment 591

Proposal for a regulation

Article 97 – paragraph 2 – point b a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(ba) where relevant, an overview of how the CAP Strategic Plan is addressing the needs of High Natural Value farming systems, including aspects relating to their socio-economic viability.

Amendment 592

Proposal for a regulation

Article 97 – paragraph 2 – point c

Text proposed by the Commission

(c) in relation to the **specific** objective 'attract young farmers and facilitate their business development' **set out** in point (g) of Article 6(1), an overview of the CAP Strategic Plan relevant interventions and specific conditions such as those specified in Articles 22(4), 27, 69 and 71(7) shall be presented. Member States shall in particular refer to Article 86(5) when presenting the financial plan in relation to the types of interventions referred to in Articles 27 and 69. The overview shall also explain the interplay with national instruments with a view of improving the consistency between Union and national actions in this area;

Amendment

(c) in relation to the objective 'attract young farmers and facilitate their business development' in **line with** point (g) of Article 6(1), an overview of the CAP Strategic Plan relevant interventions and specific conditions such as those specified in Articles 22(4), 27, 69 and 71(7) shall be presented. Member States shall in particular refer to Article 86(5) when presenting the financial plan in relation to the types of interventions referred to in Articles 27 and 69. The overview shall also explain the interplay with national instruments with a view of improving the consistency between Union and national actions in this area;

Amendment 593

Proposal for a regulation

Article 97 – paragraph 2 – point f

Text proposed by the Commission

(f) a description of the interplay between national and regional interventions, including the distribution of financial allocations per intervention and per fund;

Amendment

(f) a description of the interplay between national and regional interventions, including the distribution of financial allocations per intervention and per fund; **and**

Amendment 594

Proposal for a regulation

Article 97 – paragraph 2 – point f a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(fa) an explanation of how the CAP Strategic Plan is meant to contribute to the objective of improving animal health and welfare and reducing antimicrobial resistance. Member States shall in

particular refer to the types of interventions covered by Articles 28 and 65.

Amendment 595

Proposal for a regulation Article 98 – title

Text proposed by the Commission

Elements common to several interventions

Amendment

Elements common to several interventions
in Strategic Plans

Amendment 596

Proposal for a regulation Article 98 – paragraph 1 – point c

Text proposed by the Commission

(c) a description of the use of 'technical assistance' as referred to in Articles 83(2), 86(3) and 112 and of the CAP networks as referred to in Article 113;

Amendment

(c) a description of the use of 'technical assistance' as referred to in Articles 83(2), 86(3) and 112 and of the CAP networks as referred to in Article 113; **and**

Amendment 597

Proposal for a regulation Article 99 – paragraph 1 – point c

Text proposed by the Commission

(c) the specific design or requirements of that intervention that ensure an effective contribution to the specific objective(s) set out in Article 6(1). For environmental and climate interventions, articulation with the conditionality requirements shall show that the practices do not overlap;

Amendment

(c) the specific design or requirements of that intervention that ensure an effective contribution to the **relevant** specific objective(s) set out in Article 6(1). For environmental and climate interventions, articulation with the conditionality requirements shall show that the practices do not overlap;

Amendment 598

Proposal for a regulation

Article 99 – paragraph 1 – point d

Text proposed by the Commission

(d) the eligibility conditions;

Amendment

(d) the eligibility conditions, ***in accordance with this Regulation;***

Amendment 599

Proposal for a regulation

Article 99 – paragraph 1 – point h

Text proposed by the Commission

(h) the resulting annual financial allocation for the intervention, as referred to in Article 88. Where applicable, a breakdown on amounts planned for grants and amounts planned for financial instruments shall be provided;

Amendment

(h) the resulting annual financial allocation for the intervention, as referred to in Article 88. Where applicable, a breakdown on amounts planned for grants and amounts planned for financial instruments shall be provided; ***and***

Amendment 600

Proposal for a regulation

Article 99 – paragraph 1 – point i

Text proposed by the Commission

(i) an indication as to whether the intervention falls outside the scope of Article 42 TFEU and is subject to State aid assessment.

Amendment

(i) an indication as to whether the intervention falls outside the scope of Article 42 TFEU and is subject to State aid assessment ***in accordance with the indication given by the Commission in the State Aid Guidelines.***

Amendment 601

Proposal for a regulation

Article 100 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

1. The target plan referred to in point (e) of Article 95(1) shall consist of a recapitulative table showing the targets as referred to in point (a) of Article 97(1), indicating the break-down in annual milestones.

Amendment

1. The target plan referred to in point (e) of Article 95(1) shall consist of a recapitulative table showing the targets as referred to in point (a) of Article 97(1), indicating the break-down in annual ***or, where appropriate, multiannual*** milestones ***and, where necessary, partially broken down by regions.***

Amendment 602

Proposal for a regulation

Article 100 – paragraph 2 – subparagraph 1 – point e

Text proposed by the Commission

(e) a breakdown of the allocations for sectoral types of interventions referred to in ***Section VII*** of Chapter III of Title III per intervention and with an indication of the planned outputs and the average unit amount;

Amendment

(e) a breakdown of the allocations for sectoral types of interventions referred to in Chapter III of Title III per intervention and with an indication of the planned outputs and the average unit amount;

Amendment 603

Proposal for a regulation

Article 100 – paragraph 2 – subparagraph 1 – point f

Text proposed by the Commission

(f) a breakdown of the Member States allocations for rural development after transfers to and from direct payments as specified in point (b), per type of interventions and per intervention, including totals for the period, indicating also the applicable EAFRD contribution rate, broken down per intervention and per type of region where applicable. In case of transfer of funds from direct payments, the intervention(s) or part of intervention financed by the transfer shall be specified. This table shall also specify the planned outputs per intervention and the average or

Amendment

(f) a breakdown of the Member States allocations for rural development after transfers to and from direct payments as specified in point (b), per type of interventions and per intervention, including totals for the period, indicating also the applicable EAFRD contribution rate, broken down per intervention and per type of region where applicable. In case of transfer of funds from direct payments, the intervention(s) or part of intervention financed by the transfer shall be specified. This table shall also specify the planned outputs per intervention and the average or

uniform unit amounts, as well as, where applicable, a breakdown of the amounts planned for grants and amounts planned for financial instruments. The amounts for technical assistance shall also be specified;

uniform unit amounts, as well as, where applicable, a breakdown of the amounts planned for grants and amounts planned for financial instruments. The amounts for technical assistance shall also be specified;
and

Amendment 604

Proposal for a regulation

Article 100 – paragraph 2 – subparagraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

The elements referred to in this paragraph shall be established per year.

Amendment

The elements referred to in this paragraph shall be established per year, **where necessary, and may include, where appropriate, regional tables.**

Amendment 605

Proposal for a regulation

Article 100 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

Article 100a

Regional Intervention Programmes

Each Regional Intervention Programme for rural development shall contain, as a minimum, the following sections:

- (a) a summary of the SWOT analysis;**
- (b) a summary of the needs assessment;**
- (c) an intervention strategy;**
- (d) an operating description of the interventions managed and implemented at regional level, consistent with the national Strategic Plan as laid down in Article 99. More specifically, each intervention specified in the strategy under point (c) of this Article shall**

include the following elements:

- (i) description of the intervention;*
- (ii) eligibility conditions;*
- (iii) aid rate;*
- (iv) calculation of the unit amount of aid;*
- (v) the financial plan;*
- (vi) result indicators;*
- (vii) targets;*
- (viii) explanation concerning attainment of the targets;*
- (e) the multiannual financial plan;*
and
- (f) a description of the governance and coordination system.*

Amendment 606

Proposal for a regulation

Article 102 – paragraph 1 – introductory part

Text proposed by the Commission

The description of the elements that ensure modernisation of the CAP referred to in point (g) of Article 95(1) shall highlight the elements of the CAP Strategic Plan that support the modernisation of the agricultural sector and the CAP and shall contain in particular:

Amendment

The description of the elements that ensure modernisation of the CAP referred to in point (g) of Article 95(1) shall highlight the elements of the CAP Strategic Plan that support the modernisation of the agricultural sector and the CAP, ***to meet new challenges including transitioning to more sustainable models***, and shall contain in particular:

Amendment 607

Proposal for a regulation

Article 102 – paragraph 1 – point a – introductory part

Text proposed by the Commission

(a) an overview of how the CAP Strategic Plan will contribute to the cross-

Amendment

(a) an overview of how the CAP Strategic Plan will contribute to the cross-

cutting general objective related to fostering and sharing of knowledge, innovation and digitalisation **and** encouraging their uptake set out in the second subparagraph of Article 5, notably through:

cutting general objective related to fostering and sharing of knowledge, innovation and digitalisation **in agriculture and rural areas**, encouraging **and promoting** their uptake set out in the second subparagraph of Article 5, notably through:

Amendment 608

Proposal for a regulation Article 102 – paragraph 1 – point b

Text proposed by the Commission

(b) a description of the strategy for the development of digital technologies in agriculture and rural areas and for the use of these technologies to improve the effectiveness and efficiency of the CAP Strategic Plan interventions.

Amendment

(b) a description of the strategy for the development of digital technologies in agriculture and rural areas, **Smart Villages** and for the **conditions of** use of these technologies, **conditions which shall include information to farmers on their rights in relation to protection and use of their personal data**, to improve the effectiveness and efficiency of the CAP Strategic Plan interventions.

Amendment 609

Proposal for a regulation Article 103 – paragraph 2 – subparagraph 3 – point e

Text proposed by the Commission

(e) where relevant, an analysis of territorial aspects, highlighting those territories specifically targeted by interventions;

Amendment

(e) where relevant, an analysis of territorial aspects, highlighting those territories specifically targeted by interventions, **including High Nature Value agricultural areas**;

Amendment 610

Proposal for a regulation Article 103 – paragraph 2 – subparagraph 5

Text proposed by the Commission

For the specific objective to attract young farmers set out in point (g) of Article 6(1), the SWOT shall include a short analysis of access to land, land mobility and land restructuring, access of finance and credits, and access to knowledge and advice.

Amendment

For the specific objective to attract young farmers set out in point (g) of Article 6(1), the SWOT shall include a short analysis of access to land, land mobility and land restructuring, access of finance and credits, and access to knowledge and advice, ***and capacity to cope with risk.***

Amendment 611

Proposal for a regulation

Article 103 – paragraph 5 – point a

Text proposed by the Commission

(a) a short description of additional national financing which is provided within the scope of the CAP Strategic Plan, including the amounts per ***measure*** and indication of compliance with the requirements under this Regulation;

Amendment

(a) a short description of additional national financing which is provided within the scope of the CAP Strategic Plan, including the amounts per ***intervention*** and indication of compliance with the requirements under this Regulation;

Amendment 612

Proposal for a regulation

Article 103 – paragraph 5 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

5a. Annex VI to the CAP Strategic Plan shall contain a description of the schemes for the climate, environment and animal welfare as referred to in Article 28.

Amendment 613

Proposal for a regulation

Article 103 – paragraph 5 b (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

5b. Annex VII to the CAP Strategic Plan shall contain a description of the Regional Intervention Programmes.

Amendment 614

**Proposal for a regulation
Article 103 – paragraph 5 c (new)**

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

5c. Annex VIII to the CAP Strategic Plan shall contain a description on the elements of the Strategic Plans that contribute to increasing the competitiveness.

Amendment 615

**Proposal for a regulation
Article 104**

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

Article 104

deleted

Delegated powers for the content of the CAP Strategic Plan

The Commission is empowered to adopt delegated acts in accordance with Article 138 amending this Chapter as regards the content of the CAP Strategic Plan and its annexes.

Amendment 616

**Proposal for a regulation
Article 105 – title**

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

Implementing powers for the ***content*** of the CAP Strategic Plan

Implementing powers for the ***form*** of the CAP Strategic Plan

Amendment 617

Proposal for a regulation Article 105 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

The Commission may adopt implementing acts **laying down** rules for the presentation of the elements described in Articles 96 to 103 in CAP Strategic Plans. Those implementing acts shall be adopted in accordance with the examination procedure referred to in Article 139(2).

Amendment

The Commission may adopt implementing acts **establishing a standardised form and the** rules for the presentation of the elements described in Articles 96 to 103 in CAP Strategic Plans. Those implementing acts shall be adopted in accordance with the examination procedure referred to in Article 139(2).

Amendment 618

Proposal for a regulation Article 106 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

1. Each Member State shall submit to the Commission a proposal for a CAP Strategic Plan, containing the information referred to in Article 95 **no later than** 1 January **2020**].

Amendment

1. Each Member State shall submit to the Commission a proposal for a CAP Strategic Plan, containing the information referred to in Article 95 **on** 1 January **N+1 after ... [the date of entry into force of this Regulation]**.

Amendment 619

Proposal for a regulation Article 106 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

2. The Commission shall assess the proposed CAP Strategic Plans on the basis of the completeness of the plans, the consistency and coherence with the general principles of Union law, with this Regulation and the provisions adopted pursuant to it and with the Horizontal Regulation, their effective contribution to

Amendment

2. The Commission shall assess the proposed CAP Strategic Plans on the basis of the completeness of the plans, the consistency and coherence with the general principles of Union law, with this Regulation and the provisions adopted pursuant to it and with the Horizontal Regulation, their effective contribution to

the specific objectives set out in Article 6(1), the impact on the proper functioning of the internal market and distortion of competition, the level of administrative burden on beneficiaries and administration. The assessment shall address, in particular, the adequacy of the strategy of the CAP Strategic Plan, the corresponding specific objectives, targets, interventions and the allocation of budgetary resources to meet the specific CAP Strategic Plan objectives through the proposed set of interventions on the basis of the SWOT analysis and the ex-ante evaluation.

the specific objectives set out in Article 6(1), the impact on the proper functioning of the internal market and distortion of competition, the level of administrative burden on beneficiaries and administration. The assessment shall address, in particular, the adequacy of the strategy of the CAP Strategic Plan, ***including the quality of the information used***, the corresponding specific objectives, targets, interventions and the allocation of budgetary resources to meet the specific CAP Strategic Plan objectives through the proposed set of interventions on the basis of the SWOT analysis and the ex-ante evaluation.

Amendment 620

Proposal for a regulation

Article 106 – paragraph 5 – subparagraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

The approval shall not cover the information referred to in point (c) of Article 101 and in Annexes I to IV to the CAP Strategic Plan referred to in points (a) to (d) of Article 95(2).

Amendment

deleted

Amendment 621

Proposal for a regulation

Article 106 – paragraph 7 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

7a. The Commission shall submit to the European Parliament and to the Council a summary report of the national CAP Strategic Plans within six months after their approval, accompanied by clearly described evaluations in order to provide information on the decisions taken by the Member States to tackle the specific objectives set out in Article 6(1).

Amendment 622

Proposal for a regulation

Article 106 – paragraph 7 b (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

7b. The Commission shall translate the CAP Strategic Plans into English and publish them in a way that ensures publicity and transparency at Union level.

Amendment 623

Proposal for a regulation

Article 106 – paragraph 7 c (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

7c. The approval of the CAP Strategic Plans and their implementation by Member States shall not cause any delays in the aid application period for beneficiaries nor in the timely payment of the aid, particularly in the first year of implementation.

Amendment 624

Proposal for a regulation

Article 107 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

1. Member States may submit to the Commission requests to amend their CAP Strategic Plans.

1. Member States may submit to the Commission requests to amend their CAP Strategic Plans, **including, where applicable, the regional intervention programmes.**

Amendment 625

Proposal for a regulation

Article 107 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

2. Requests for amendment of CAP Strategic Plans shall ***be duly justified and shall in particular set*** out the expected impact of the changes to the plan on achieving the specific objectives referred to in Article 6(1). They shall be accompanied by the amended plan including the updated annexes as appropriate.

Amendment

2. Requests for amendment of CAP Strategic Plans shall ***include an explanation setting*** out the expected impact of the changes to the plan on achieving the specific objectives referred to in Article 6(1). They shall be accompanied by the amended plan including the updated annexes as appropriate.

Amendment 626

**Proposal for a regulation
Article 107 – paragraph 7**

Text proposed by the Commission

7. A request for amendment of the CAP Strategic Plan may be submitted no more than once per calendar year subject to possible exceptions to be determined by the Commission in accordance with Article 109.

Amendment

7. A request for amendment of the CAP Strategic Plan may be submitted no more than once per calendar year subject to possible exceptions to be determined ***in this Regulation and*** by the Commission in accordance with Article 109.

Amendment 627

**Proposal for a regulation
Article 107 – paragraph 8**

Text proposed by the Commission

8. Each amendment of the CAP Strategic Plan shall be approved by the Commission by means of an implementing decision without applying the Committee procedure referred to in Article 139.

Amendment

8. Each amendment of the CAP Strategic Plan shall be approved by the Commission by means of an implementing decision without applying the Committee procedure referred to in Article 139. ***The European Parliament and the Council shall be duly informed.***

Amendment 628

**Proposal for a regulation
Article 107 – paragraph 9**

Text proposed by the Commission

9. Without prejudice to Article 80, amendments to CAP Strategic Plans shall only have legal effects after their approval by the Commission

Amendment

9. Without prejudice to Article 80, amendments to CAP Strategic Plans shall only have legal effects after their approval by the Commission ***and shall be published.***

Amendment 629

**Proposal for a regulation
Article 108 – paragraph 2**

Text proposed by the Commission

This time limit shall not include the period which starts on the date following the date on which the Commission sends its observations or a request for revised documents to the Member State and ends on the date on which the Member State responds to the Commission.

Amendment

deleted

Amendment 630

**Proposal for a regulation
Article 109 – paragraph 1 – point c**

Text proposed by the Commission

(c) the frequency with which the CAP Strategic Plans are to be submitted during the programming period, including the determination of exceptional cases for which the maximum number of amendments referred to in Article ***107 (7)*** does not count.

Amendment

(c) the frequency with which ***amendments to*** the CAP Strategic Plans are to be submitted during the programming period ***of application of the CAP Strategic Plans***, including the determination of exceptional cases for which the maximum number of amendments referred to in Article ***107(7)*** does not count.

Amendment 631

**Proposal for a regulation
Article 110 – paragraph 1 a (new)**

1a. Without prejudice to the provisions of the first subparagraph of paragraph 1, Member States may also establish regional authorities for the implementation and management of interventions financed by the EAFRD within the framework of their national Strategic Plans where such interventions have a regional scope. In that event, the national Managing Authority shall appoint a national coordination body for the EAFRD that will ensure the uniform application of Union rules, ensuring consistency with the elements of the Strategic Plan laid down at national level, in accordance with the second subparagraph of Article 93.

Amendment 632

Proposal for a regulation

Article 110 – paragraph 2 – point g

Text proposed by the Commission

(g) the **annual** performance report is drawn up, including aggregate monitoring tables, and, after consultation of the Monitoring Committee, is submitted to the Commission;

Amendment

(g) the **monitoring** performance report is drawn up, including aggregate monitoring tables, and, after consultation of the Monitoring Committee, is submitted to the Commission;

Amendment 633

Proposal for a regulation

Article 110 – paragraph 2 – point h

Text proposed by the Commission

(h) relevant follow-up actions on Commission's observations on the **annual** performance reports are taken;

Amendment

(h) relevant follow-up actions on Commission's observations on the performance reports are taken;

Amendment 634

Proposal for a regulation

Article 110 – paragraph 5 – subparagraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

The Commission ***shall be*** empowered to adopt delegated acts in accordance with Article 138, supplementing this Regulation with detailed rules on the application of the information, publicity and visibility requirements referred to in points (j) and (k) of paragraph 2.

Amendment

The Commission ***is*** empowered to adopt delegated acts in accordance with Article 138, supplementing this Regulation with detailed rules on the application of the information, publicity and visibility requirements referred to in points (j) and (k) of paragraph 2.

Amendment 635

Proposal for a regulation

Article 110 – paragraph 5 – subparagraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

Those implementing acts shall be adopted in accordance with the examination procedure referred to in Article 139(2).

Amendment

deleted

Amendment 636

Proposal for a regulation

Article 110 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

Article 110a

Mediation Body

Without prejudice to national rules on administrative and judicial review, Member States shall designate a functionally independent Mediation Body in charge of re-examining the decisions taken by the competent authorities. Those bodies, at the request of beneficiaries, shall endeavour to reach solutions agreed upon by the parties concerned. They shall provide the required expertise and

representation of authorities and stakeholders.

Amendment 637

Proposal for a regulation

Article 111 – paragraph 1 – subparagraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

The Member State shall set up a committee to monitor implementation of the CAP Strategic Plan ('Monitoring Committee') ***before the submission of the CAP Strategic Plan.***

Amendment

The Member State shall set up a ***national*** committee to monitor implementation of the CAP Strategic Plan ('Monitoring Committee') ***and where applicable regional Monitoring Committees.***

Amendment 638

Proposal for a regulation

Article 111 – paragraph 1 – subparagraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

Each Monitoring Committee shall adopt its rules of procedure.

Amendment

Each Monitoring Committee shall adopt its rules of procedure. ***The national Monitoring Committee shall adopt its own rules in cooperation with the regional Monitoring Committees.***

Amendment 639

Proposal for a regulation

Article 111 – paragraph 1 – subparagraph 3

Text proposed by the Commission

The Monitoring Committee shall meet at least once a year and shall review all issues that affect the CAP Strategic Plan progress towards achieving its targets.

Amendment

The Monitoring Committee shall meet at least once a year and shall review all issues that affect the CAP Strategic Plan progress towards achieving its targets ***under their own competence.***

Amendment 640

Proposal for a regulation

Article 111 – paragraph 1 – subparagraph 4

Text proposed by the Commission

The Member State shall publish the rules of procedures of the Monitoring **Committee and all the data and information shared with the Monitoring Committee online.**

Amendment

The Member State shall publish the rules of procedures **and the opinions** of the Monitoring **Committees and transmit them to the Commission.**

Amendment 641

Proposal for a regulation

Article 111 – paragraph 2 – subparagraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

The Member State shall decide the composition of the Monitoring **Committee** and shall ensure a balanced representation of the relevant public authorities and intermediate bodies and of representatives of the partners referred to in Article 94(3).

Amendment

The Member State **and, where applicable, the regions** shall decide the composition of the Monitoring **Committees having due regard to the prevention of conflicts of interest**, and shall ensure a balanced representation of the relevant public authorities and intermediate bodies and of representatives of the partners referred to in Article 94(3) **that are relevant for the implementation of all objectives of Article 6(1).**

Amendment 642

Proposal for a regulation

Article 111 – paragraph 2 – subparagraph 3

Text proposed by the Commission

The Member State shall publish the list of the members of the Monitoring Committee online.

Amendment

The Member State shall publish the list of the members of the Monitoring Committee online **and Member States shall notify it to the Commission.**

Amendment 643

Proposal for a regulation

Article 111 – paragraph 3 – introductory part

Text proposed by the Commission

3. The Monitoring **Committee** shall examine in particular:

Amendment

3. The Monitoring **Committees** shall examine in particular:

Amendment 644

Proposal for a regulation

Article 111 – paragraph 3 – point b

Text proposed by the Commission

(b) any issues that affect the performance of the CAP Strategic Plan and the actions taken to address those issues;

Amendment

(b) any issues that affect the performance of the CAP Strategic Plan and the actions taken to address those issues ***including the quality and the quantity of data and indicators available for monitoring;***

Amendment 645

Proposal for a regulation

Article 111 – paragraph 3 – point d a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(da) relevant information supplied by the CAP national network;

Amendment 646

Proposal for a regulation

Article 111 – paragraph 3 – point f a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(fa) the performance reports;

Amendment 647

Proposal for a regulation

Article 111 – paragraph 3 – point f b (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(fb) progress towards simplification and reduction of administrative burden for final beneficiaries.

Amendment 648

Proposal for a regulation

Article 111 – paragraph 4 – point a

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(a) draft CAP Strategic Plan;

deleted

Amendment 649

Proposal for a regulation

Article 111 – paragraph 4 – point c

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(c) the annual performance reports;

(c) the performance reports;

Amendment 650

Proposal for a regulation

Article 111 – paragraph 4 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

4a. The Monitoring Committees may ask the national CAP network for information and analysis relating to specific interventions.

Amendment 651

Proposal for a regulation

Article 113 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

1. Each Member State shall establish a

1. Each Member State shall establish a

national Common Agricultural Policy Network (national CAP network) for the networking of organisations and administrations, advisors, researchers *and* other innovation actors in the field of agriculture and rural development at national level at the latest 12 months after the approval by the Commission of the CAP Strategic Plan.

national Common Agricultural Policy Network (national CAP network) for the networking of organisations, ***representatives of the agricultural sectors*** and administrations, advisors, researchers, other innovation ***actors and other*** actors in the field of agriculture and rural development at national level at the latest 12 months after the approval by the Commission of the CAP Strategic Plan. ***The national CAP network shall build on the existing networking structures in the Member States.***

Amendment 652

Proposal for a regulation

Article 113 – paragraph 4 – point j

Text proposed by the Commission

(j) in the case of national CAP networks, participating in and contributing to the activities of the European CAP network.

Amendment

(j) in the case of national CAP networks, participating in and contributing to the activities of the European CAP network;

Amendment 653

Proposal for a regulation

Article 113 – paragraph 4 – point j a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(ja) in the case of the European CAP Networks, participating in and contributing to the activities of the national networks;

Amendment 654

Proposal for a regulation

Article 113 – paragraph 4 – point j b (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(jb) providing the information requested by the Monitoring Committees referred to in Article 111.

Amendment 655

Proposal for a regulation Article 114 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

2. The aim of the EIP shall be to stimulate innovation and improve the exchange of knowledge.

2. The aim of the EIP shall be to stimulate **sustainable** innovation and improve the exchange of knowledge.

Amendment 656

Proposal for a regulation Article 114 – paragraph 4 – subparagraph 1 – point c

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(c) promote the faster and wider transposition of innovative solutions into practice; and

(c) promote the faster and wider transposition of innovative solutions into practice, **including farmer-to-farmer exchange**; and

Amendment 657

Proposal for a regulation Article 114 – paragraph 4 – subparagraph 1 – point d

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(d) inform the scientific community about the research needs of farming practice.

(d) inform the scientific community about the research needs of farming practice **and farmers**.

Amendment 658

Proposal for a regulation Article 114 – paragraph 4 – subparagraph 2 – introductory part

Text proposed by the Commission

EIP Operational Groups shall ***form part of*** the EIP. They shall draw up a plan for innovative projects to be developed, tested, adapted or implemented shall be based on the interactive innovation model which has as key principles:

Amendment

EIP Operational Groups shall ***be formed to deliver the EIP, and may be formed, inter alia, by producer and interbranch organisations, and may be formed by members from different Member States.*** They shall draw up a plan for innovative projects to be developed, tested, adapted or implemented shall be based on the interactive innovation model which has as key principles:

Amendment 659

Proposal for a regulation

Article 114 – paragraph 4 – subparagraph 2 – point a

Text proposed by the Commission

(a) developing innovative solutions focusing on farmers' or foresters' needs while also tackling the interactions across the supply chain where useful;

Amendment

(a) developing innovative solutions focusing on farmers' or foresters' needs while also tackling the interactions across the supply chain where useful ***and also taking into account the interests of consumers;***

Amendment 660

Proposal for a regulation

Article 114 – paragraph 4 – subparagraph 3

Text proposed by the Commission

The envisaged innovation may be based on new but also on traditional practices in a new geographical or environmental context.

Amendment

The envisaged innovation may be based on new but also on traditional ***and agro-ecological*** practices in a new geographical or environmental context.

Amendment 661

Proposal for a regulation

Article 114 – paragraph 4 – subparagraph 4

Text proposed by the Commission

Operational Groups shall disseminate their plans and the results of their projects, in particular through the CAP networks.

Amendment

Operational Groups shall disseminate their plans and the results of their projects, in particular through the CAP networks, ***and shall be able to have members from more than one Member State.***

Amendment 662

Proposal for a regulation

Article 115 – paragraph 2 – point a

Text proposed by the Commission

(a) a set of common context, output, result and impact indicators, ***including those*** referred to in Article 7 which will be used as the basis for monitoring, evaluation and the ***annual*** performance reporting;

Amendment

(a) a set of common context, output, result and impact indicators ***as*** referred to in Article 7 which will be used as the basis for monitoring, evaluation and the performance reporting;

Amendment 663

Proposal for a regulation

Article 115 – paragraph 2 – point b

Text proposed by the Commission

(b) targets and annual milestones established in relation to the relevant specific objective using result indicators;

Amendment

(b) targets and annual, ***or where relevant, multiannual*** milestones established in relation to the relevant specific objective using result indicators;

Amendment 664

Proposal for a regulation

Article 115 – paragraph 3

Text proposed by the Commission

3. The performance framework shall cover:

Amendment

3. The performance framework shall cover ***the content of the CAP Strategic Plans including, where appropriate, the regional intervention programmes.***

- (a) *the content of CAP Strategic Plans;*
- (b) *the market measures and other interventions provided for in Regulation (EU) No 1308/2013.*

Amendment 665

Proposal for a regulation

Article 116 – paragraph 1 – point a

Text proposed by the Commission

- (a) assess the impact, effectiveness, efficiency, relevance, coherence and Union added value of the CAP;

Amendment

- (a) assess the impact, effectiveness, efficiency, relevance, coherence and Union added value of the CAP *as well as simplification for beneficiaries;*

Amendment 666

Proposal for a regulation

Article 116 – paragraph 1 – point e

Text proposed by the Commission

- (e) support a common learning process related to monitoring and evaluation.

Amendment

- (e) support a common learning process related to monitoring and evaluation, *taking into account areas where baseline data is missing or insufficient and for which more relevant and accurate indicators can be developed.*

Amendment 667

Proposal for a regulation

Article 117 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

Member States shall establish an electronic information system in which they shall record and maintain key information on the implementation of the CAP Strategic Plan that is needed for monitoring and evaluation, in particular on each

Amendment

Member States shall establish an electronic information system *or use an existing one* in which they shall record and maintain key information on the implementation of the CAP Strategic Plan that is needed for monitoring and evaluation, in particular on

intervention selected for funding, as well as on completed interventions, including information on each beneficiary and operation.

each intervention selected for funding, as well as on completed interventions, including information on each beneficiary and operation.

Amendment 668

Proposal for a regulation Article 118 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

Member States shall ensure that beneficiaries of support under the CAP Strategic Plan interventions and local action groups shall undertake to provide to the Managing Authority or other bodies delegated to perform functions on its behalf, all the information necessary for the purpose of monitoring and evaluation of the CAP Strategic Plan.

Amendment

Member States shall ensure that beneficiaries of support under the CAP Strategic Plan interventions and local action groups shall undertake to provide to the Managing Authority, ***or regional Managing Authorities*** or other bodies delegated to perform functions on its behalf, all the information necessary for the purpose of monitoring and evaluation of the CAP Strategic Plan.

Amendment 669

Proposal for a regulation Article 118 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

Member States shall ensure that comprehensive, ***complete***, timely and reliable data sources are established to enable effective follow-up of policy progress towards objectives using output, result and impact indicators.

Amendment

Member States shall ensure that comprehensive, timely and reliable data sources, ***including databases***, are established to enable effective follow-up of policy progress towards objectives using output, result and impact indicators.

Amendment 670

Proposal for a regulation Article 119 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

The Managing Authority ***and*** the Monitoring Committee shall monitor the

Amendment

The Managing Authority ***as well as*** the Monitoring Committee shall monitor the

implementation of the CAP Strategic Plan and progress made towards achieving the targets of the CAP Strategic Plan on the basis of the output and result indicators.

implementation of the CAP Strategic Plan and progress made towards achieving the targets of the CAP Strategic Plan on the basis of the output and result indicators, ***in collaboration, where applicable, with regional Managing Authorities and regional Monitoring Committees.***

Amendment 671

Proposal for a regulation Article 120 – title

Text proposed by the Commission

Implementing powers for the performance framework

Amendment

Delegated powers for the performance framework

Amendment 672

Proposal for a regulation Article 120 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

The Commission shall adopt ***implementing acts on*** the content of the performance framework. Such acts shall include the list of context indicators, other indicators needed for the appropriate monitoring and evaluation of the policy, the methods for the calculation of indicators and the necessary provisions to guarantee accuracy and reliability of the data collected by Member States. Those ***implementing*** acts shall be adopted in accordance with ***the examination procedure referred to in Article 139(2).***

Amendment

The Commission shall adopt ***delegated acts supplementing this Regulation by determining*** the content of the performance framework. Such acts shall include the list of context indicators, other indicators needed for the appropriate monitoring and evaluation of the policy, the methods for the calculation of indicators and the necessary provisions to guarantee accuracy and reliability of the data collected by Member States. Those ***delegated*** acts shall be adopted in accordance with Article ***138***.

Amendment 673

Proposal for a regulation Article 121 – title

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

Annual performance reports

Performance reports

Amendment 674

Proposal for a regulation Article 121 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

1. ***By 15 February 2023 and 15 February of each subsequent year until and including 2030, the*** Member States shall submit to the Commission ***an annual*** performance ***report*** on the implementation of the CAP Strategic Plan in ***the previous financial year. The report submitted in 2023 shall cover the financial years 2021 and 2022. For direct payments as referred to in Chapter II of Title III, the report shall cover only financial year 2022.***

1. Member States shall submit to the Commission performance ***reports*** on the implementation of the CAP Strategic Plan in ***accordance with Article 8 of Regulation (EU) [HzR]***.

Amendment 675

Proposal for a regulation Article 121 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

2. The last ***annual*** performance report, to be submitted ***by 15 February 2030***, shall comprise a summary of the evaluations carried out during the implementation period.

2. The last performance report to be submitted, shall comprise a summary of the evaluations carried out during the implementation period.

Amendment 676

Proposal for a regulation Article 121 – paragraph 3

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

3. In order to be admissible, the ***annual*** performance report shall contain all

3. In order to be admissible, the performance report shall contain all the

the information required in paragraphs 4, 5 and 6. The Commission shall inform the Member State within 15 working days of the date of receipt of the **annual** performance report if it is not admissible, failing which it shall be deemed admissible.

information required in paragraphs 4, 5 and 6. The Commission shall inform the Member State within 15 working days of the date of receipt of the performance report if it is not admissible, failing which it shall be deemed admissible.

Amendment 677

Proposal for a regulation

Article 121 – paragraph 4 – subparagraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

Annual performance reports shall set out key qualitative and quantitative information the implementation of the CAP Strategic Plan by reference to financial data, output and result indicators and in accordance with the second paragraph of Article 118. They shall also include information about realised outputs, realised expenditure, realised results and distance to respective targets.

Amendment

Performance reports shall set out key qualitative and quantitative information **regarding** the implementation of the CAP Strategic Plan by reference to financial data, output and result indicators and in accordance with the second paragraph of Article 118. They shall also include information about realised outputs, realised expenditure, realised results and distance to respective targets.

Amendment 678

Proposal for a regulation

Article 121 – paragraph 4 – subparagraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

For the types of interventions which are not subject to Article 89 of this Regulation, and where the realised output and the realised expenditure ratio deviates by 50% from the annual planned output and expenditure ratio, the Member State shall submit a justification for this deviation.

Amendment

deleted

Amendment 679

Proposal for a regulation

Article 121 – paragraph 5

Text proposed by the Commission

5. The data transmitted shall relate to achieved values for indicators for partial and fully implemented interventions. They shall also set out a synthesis of the state of implementation of the CAP Strategic Plan realised **during the previous financial year**, any issues which affect the performance of the CAP Strategic Plan, in particular as regards deviations from milestones, giving reasons and, where relevant, describing the measures taken.

Amendment

5. The data transmitted shall relate to achieved values for indicators for partial and fully implemented interventions. They shall also set out a synthesis of the state of implementation of the CAP Strategic Plan realised, any issues which affect the performance of the CAP Strategic Plan, in particular as regards deviations from milestones, giving reasons and, where relevant, describing the measures taken.

Amendment 680

**Proposal for a regulation
Article 121 – paragraph 7**

Text proposed by the Commission

7. ***The Commission shall carry out an annual performance review and an annual performance clearance referred to in Article [52] of the Regulation (EU) [HzR] based on the information provided in the annual Performance reports.***

Amendment

deleted

Amendment 681

**Proposal for a regulation
Article 121 – paragraph 8 – subparagraph 1**

Text proposed by the Commission

In the annual performance review, the Commission may make observations on the annual performance reports within one month from their submission. Where the Commission does not provide observations within that deadline, the reports shall be deemed to be accepted.

Amendment

The Commission shall carry out a performance review based on the information provided in the performance reports and may make observations within ***a maximum of*** one month from their ***complete*** submission. Where the Commission does not provide observations within that deadline, the reports shall be deemed to be accepted.

Amendment 682

Proposal for a regulation Article 121 – paragraph 9

Text proposed by the Commission

9. Where the reported value of one or more result indicators reveals a gap of more than 25% from the respective milestone for the reporting year concerned, the Commission may ask the Member State to submit an action plan in accordance with Article 39(1) of Regulation (EU) [HzR], describing the intended remedial actions and the expected timeframe.

Amendment

9. Where the reported value of one or more result indicators reveals a gap of more than 25% from the respective milestone for the reporting year concerned, ***Member States shall submit justification for that gap. Where necessary,*** the Commission may ask the Member State to submit an action plan ***to be established in consultation with the Commission*** in accordance with Article 39(1) of Regulation (EU) [HzR], describing the intended remedial actions and the expected timeframe ***for its execution.***

Amendment 683

Proposal for a regulation Article 121 – paragraph 10

Text proposed by the Commission

10. ***The annual*** performance reports, ***as well as a summary*** for citizens ***of their content,*** shall be made available to the public.

Amendment

10. ***A summary of the content of the*** performance reports ***shall be produced*** for citizens ***and*** shall be made available to the public.

Amendment 684

Proposal for a regulation Article 121 – paragraph 11

Text proposed by the Commission

11. The Commission shall adopt implementing acts laying down rules for the presentation of the content of the ***annual*** performance report. Those implementing acts shall be adopted in accordance with the examination procedure referred to in Article 139(2).

Amendment

11. The Commission shall adopt implementing acts laying down rules for the presentation of the content of the performance report. Those implementing acts shall be adopted in accordance with the examination procedure referred to in Article 139(2).

Amendment 685

Proposal for a regulation Article 122 – title

Text proposed by the Commission

Annual review meetings

Amendment

Review meetings

Amendment 686

Proposal for a regulation Article 122 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

1. Member States shall organise each year ***an annual*** review meeting with the Commission, to be chaired jointly or by the Commission, which will take place not earlier than two months after the submission of the ***annual*** performance report.

Amendment

1. Member States shall organise each year ***a*** review meeting with the Commission, to be chaired jointly or by the Commission, which will take place not earlier than two months after the submission of the performance report.

Amendment 687

Proposal for a regulation Article 122 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

2. The ***annual*** review meeting shall aim at examining the performance of each plan, including progress made towards achieving established targets, any issues affecting performance and past or future actions to be taken to address them.

Amendment

2. The review meeting shall aim at examining the performance of each plan, including progress made towards achieving established targets, any issues affecting performance and past or future actions to be taken to address them. ***Those meetings shall be used to examine the impact, where feasible.***

Amendment 688

Proposal for a regulation Article 123

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

Article 123

deleted

Performance bonus

1. A performance bonus may be attributed to Member States in the year 2026 to reward satisfactory performance in relation to the environmental and climate targets provided that the Member State concerned has met the condition set out in Article 124(1).

2. The performance bonus shall be equal to 5% of the amount per Member State for financial year 2027 as set out in Annex IX.

Resources transferred between the EAGF and the EAFRD under Articles 15 and 90 are excluded for the purpose of calculating the performance bonus.

Amendment 689

**Proposal for a regulation
Article 124**

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

Article 124

deleted

Attribution of the performance bonus

1. Based on the performance review of the year 2026, the performance bonus withheld from a Member State's allocation following the second paragraph of Article 123 shall be attributed to this Member State if the result indicators applied to the specific environmental- and climate-related objectives set out in points (d), (e) and (f) of Article 6(1) in its CAP Strategic Plan have achieved at least 90% of their target value for the year 2025.

2. The Commission shall within two months of the receipt of the annual performance report in the year 2026 adopt an implementing act without applying the

Committee procedure referred to in Article 139 to decide for each Member State whether the respective CAP Strategic Plans have achieved the target values referred to in paragraph 1 of this Article.

3. Where the target values referred to in paragraph 1 are achieved, the amount of the performance bonus shall be granted by the Commission to the Member States concerned and considered to be definitely allocated to financial year 2027 on the basis of the decision referred to in paragraph 2.

4. Where the target values referred to in paragraph 1 are not achieved, the commitments for financial year 2027 relating to the amount of the performance bonus of the Member States concerned shall not be granted by the Commission.

5. When attributing the performance bonus, the Commission may take into consideration cases of force majeure and serious socio-economic crises impeding the achievement of the relevant milestones.

6. The Commission shall adopt implementing acts laying down the detailed arrangements to ensure a consistent approach for determining the attribution of the performance bonus to Member States. Those implementing acts shall be adopted in accordance with the examination procedure referred to in Article 139(2).

Amendment 690

Proposal for a regulation Article 125 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

1. Member States shall carry out ex-ante evaluations to improve the quality of the design of their CAP Strategic Plans.

Amendment

1. Member States, **and where applicable with the regions**, shall carry out ex-ante evaluations to improve the quality

of the design of their CAP Strategic Plans.

Amendment 691

Proposal for a regulation

Article 125 – paragraph 3 – point g

Text proposed by the Commission

(g) the suitability of the procedures for monitoring the CAP Strategic Plan and for collecting the data necessary to carry out evaluations;

Amendment

(g) the suitability of the procedures for monitoring the CAP Strategic Plan and for collecting the data necessary, ***including gender-disaggregated data where appropriate***, to carry out evaluations;

Amendment 692

Proposal for a regulation

Article 126 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

1. Member States shall carry out evaluations of the CAP Strategic Plans shall be carried out by the to improve the quality of the design and implementation of the plans, as well as to assess their effectiveness, efficiency, relevance, coherence, Union added value and impact in relation to their contribution to the CAP general and specific objectives set out in Articles 5 and 6(1).

Amendment

1. Member States, ***and where applicable, with the regions***, shall carry out evaluations of the CAP Strategic Plans shall be carried out by the to improve the quality of the design and implementation of the plans, as well as to assess their effectiveness, efficiency, relevance, coherence, Union added value and impact in relation to their contribution to the CAP general and specific objectives set out in Articles 5 and 6(1).

Amendment 693

Proposal for a regulation

Article 126 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

2. Member States shall entrust evaluations to functionally independent experts.

Amendment

2. Member States, ***and where applicable, the regions***, shall entrust evaluations to functionally independent experts.

Amendment 694

Proposal for a regulation Article 126 – paragraph 3

Text proposed by the Commission

3. Member States shall ensure that procedures are in place to produce and collect the data necessary for evaluations.

Amendment

3. Member States, **and where applicable, the regions**, shall ensure that procedures are in place to produce and collect the data necessary for evaluations.

Amendment 695

Proposal for a regulation Article 126 – paragraph 4

Text proposed by the Commission

4. Member States shall be responsible for evaluating the adequacy of the CAP Strategic Plan interventions for the purpose of achieving the specific objectives set out in Article 6(1).

Amendment

4. Member States, **and where applicable, the regions**, shall be responsible for evaluating the adequacy of the CAP Strategic Plan interventions for the purpose of achieving the specific objectives set out in Article 6(1).

Amendment 696

Proposal for a regulation Article 126 – paragraph 5

Text proposed by the Commission

5. Member States shall draw up an evaluation plan providing indications on intended evaluation activities during the implementation period.

Amendment

5. Member States, **and where applicable, the regions**, shall draw up an evaluation plan providing indications on intended evaluation activities during the implementation period.

Amendment 697

Proposal for a regulation Article 126 – paragraph 6

Text proposed by the Commission

6. Member States shall submit the evaluation plan to the Monitoring Committee no later than one year after the adoption of the CAP Strategic Plan.

Amendment

6. Member States, **and where applicable, the regions**, shall submit the evaluation plan to the Monitoring Committee no later than one year after the adoption of the CAP Strategic Plan.

Amendment 698

Proposal for a regulation

Article 127 – paragraph 4 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

4a. In its evaluation reports, the Commission shall take into account the indicators appearing in Annex I to this Regulation, as well as factors external to the CAP which have had an impact on the performance achieved.

Amendment 699

Proposal for a regulation

Article 129 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

2. Data needed for the context and impact indicators shall primarily come from established data sources, such as the Farm Accountancy Data Network and Eurostat. Where data for these indicators are not available or not complete, the **gaps** shall **be addressed** in the context of the European Statistical Program established under Regulation (EC) No 223/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council⁴⁰, the legal framework governing the Farm Accountancy Data Network or through formal agreements with other data providers such as the Joint Research Centre and the European Environment Agency.

2. Data needed for the context and impact indicators shall primarily come from established data sources, such as the Farm Accountancy Data Network and Eurostat. Where data for these indicators are not available or not complete, the **Commission** shall **resolve gaps** in the context of the European Statistical Program established under Regulation (EC) No 223/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council⁴⁰, the legal framework governing the Farm Accountancy Data Network or through formal agreements with other data providers such as the Joint Research Centre and the European Environment Agency.

⁴⁰ Regulation (EC) No 223/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 March 2009 on European statistics and repealing Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 1101/2008 of the European Parliament and of the Council on the transmission of data subject to statistical confidentiality to the Statistical Office of the European Communities, Council Regulation (EC) No 322/97 on Community Statistics, and Council Decision 89/382/EEC, Euratom establishing a Committee on the Statistical Programs of the European Communities (OJ L 87, 31.3.2009, p. 164).

⁴⁰ Regulation (EC) No 223/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 March 2009 on European statistics and repealing Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 1101/2008 of the European Parliament and of the Council on the transmission of data subject to statistical confidentiality to the Statistical Office of the European Communities, Council Regulation (EC) No 322/97 on Community Statistics, and Council Decision 89/382/EEC, Euratom establishing a Committee on the Statistical Programs of the European Communities (OJ L 87, 31.3.2009, p. 164).

Amendment 700

Proposal for a regulation Article 129 – paragraph 3

Text proposed by the Commission

3. Existing administrative registers such as the IACS, LPIS, animal and vineyard registers shall be maintained. The IACS and LPIS shall be further developed to better meet the statistical needs of the CAP. Data from administrative registers shall be used as much as possible for statistical purposes, in cooperation with statistical authorities in Member States and with Eurostat.

Amendment

3. Existing ***up-to-date*** administrative registers such as the IACS, LPIS, animal and vineyard registers shall be maintained . The IACS and LPIS shall be further developed to better meet the statistical needs of the CAP. Data from administrative registers shall be used as much as possible for statistical purposes, in cooperation with statistical authorities in Member States and with Eurostat.

Amendment 701

Proposal for a regulation Article 129 – paragraph 4

Text proposed by the Commission

4. ***The Commission may adopt implementing acts, laying down rules on the information to be sent by the Member States, taking into account the need to avoid any undue administrative burden,***

Amendment

deleted

as well as rules on the data needs and synergies between potential data sources. Those implementing acts shall be adopted in accordance with the examination procedure referred to in Article 139(2).

Amendment 702

Proposal for a regulation Article 130 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

Where support under Title III of this Regulation is granted to forms of **cooperation** between undertakings, it may be granted only to such forms of **cooperation** which comply with the competition rules as they apply by virtue of Articles 206 to 209 of the Regulation (EU) No 1308/2013.

Amendment

Where support under Title III of this Regulation is granted to forms of **agreements, decisions and concerted practices** between undertakings, it may be granted only to such forms of **agreements, decisions and concerted practices** which comply with the competition rules as they apply by virtue of Articles 206 to 209 of the Regulation (EU) No 1308/2013.

Amendment 703

Proposal for a regulation Article 133 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

Articles 107, 108 and 109 TFEU shall not apply to national fiscal measures whereby Member States decide to deviate from general tax rules by allowing for the income tax base applied to farmers to be calculated on the basis of a multiannual period.

Amendment

In order to limit the effects of income variability, by encouraging farmers to build up savings in good years in order to cope with bad years, Articles 107, 108 and 109 TFEU shall not apply to national fiscal measures whereby Member States decide to deviate from general tax rules by allowing for the income tax base applied to farmers to be calculated on the basis of a multiannual period, ***including by carrying forward part of the tax base including by deferring part of the tax base, or by allowing the exclusion of amounts placed in a dedicated agricultural savings account.***

Amendment 704

Proposal for a regulation Article 135 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

1. For direct payments granted in the outermost regions of the Union in accordance with Chapter IV of Regulation (EU) No 228/2013 only point (a) and (b) of Article **3(2)**, point (a), (b) and (d) of Article 4(1), Section 2 of Chapter I of Title III, Article 16 and Title IX of this Regulation shall apply. Point (a), (b) and (d) of Article 4(1), Section 2 of Chapter I of Title III, Article 16 and Title IX shall apply without any obligations related to the CAP Strategic Plan.

Amendment

1. For direct payments granted in the outermost regions of the Union in accordance with Chapter IV of Regulation (EU) No 228/2013 only point (a) and (b) of Article **3**, point (a), (b) and (d) of Article 4(1), Section 2 of Chapter I of Title III, Article 16 and Title IX of this Regulation shall apply. Point (a), (b) and (d) of Article 4(1), Section 2 of Chapter I of Title III, Article 16 and Title IX shall apply without any obligations related to the CAP Strategic Plan.

Amendment 705

Proposal for a regulation Article 135 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

2. For direct payments granted in the smaller Aegean islands in accordance with Chapter IV of Regulation (EU) No 229/2013 only point (a) and (b) of Article **3(2)**, Article 4, Section 2 of Chapter I of Title III, Sections 1 and 2 of Chapter II of Title III and Title IX of this Regulation shall apply. Article 4, Section 2 of Chapter I of Title III, Sections 1 and 2 of Chapter II of Title III and Title IX shall apply without any obligations related to the CAP Strategic Plan.

Amendment

2. For direct payments granted in the smaller Aegean islands in accordance with Chapter IV of Regulation (EU) No 229/2013 only point (a) and (b) of Article **3**, Article 4, Section 2 of Chapter I of Title III, Sections 1 and 2 of Chapter II of Title III and Title IX of this Regulation shall apply. Article 4, Section 2 of Chapter I of Title III, Sections 1 and 2 of Chapter II of Title III and Title IX shall apply without any obligations related to the CAP Strategic Plan.

Amendment 706

Proposal for a regulation Article 138 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

2. The power to adopt delegated acts referred to in Articles 4, 7, 12, 15, 23, 28, 32, 35, 36, 37, 41, 50, 78, 81, 104 and 141 shall be conferred on the Commission for a period **of seven years** from the date of entry into force of this Regulation. The Commission shall draw up a report in respect of the delegation of power not later than nine months before the end of the seven-year period. The delegation of power shall be tacitly extended for periods of an identical duration, unless the European Parliament or the Council opposes such extension not later than three months before the end of each period.

Amendment

2. The power to adopt delegated acts referred to in Articles 4, 7, **11**, 12, 28, 32, 35, 36, 37, 41, 50, 78, 81, **83, 94, 110, 120** and 141 shall be conferred on the Commission for **the whole** period from the date of entry into force of this Regulation. The Commission shall draw up a report in respect of the delegation of power not later than nine months before the end of the seven-year period. The delegation of power shall be tacitly extended for periods of an identical duration, unless the European Parliament or the Council opposes such extension not later than three months before the end of each period.

Amendment 707

**Proposal for a regulation
Article 138 – paragraph 3**

Text proposed by the Commission

3. The delegation of powers referred to in Articles 4, 7, 12, 15, 23, 28, 32, 35, 36, 37, 41, 50, 78, 81, 104 and 141 may be revoked at any time by the European Parliament or by the Council. A decision to revoke shall put an end to the delegation of the powers specified in that decision. It shall take effect the day following the publication of the decision in the Official Journal of the European Union or at a later date specified therein. It shall not affect the validity of any delegated acts already in force.

Amendment

3. The delegation of powers referred to in Articles 4, 7, **11**, 12, 28, 32, 35, 36, 37, 41, 50, 78, 81, **83, 94, 110, 120** and 141 may be revoked at any time by the European Parliament or by the Council. A decision to revoke shall put an end to the delegation of the powers specified in that decision. It shall take effect the day following the publication of the decision in the Official Journal of the European Union or at a later date specified therein. It shall not affect the validity of any delegated acts already in force.

Amendment 708

**Proposal for a regulation
Article 138 – paragraph 6**

Text proposed by the Commission

6. A delegated act adopted pursuant to Articles 4, 7, 12, 15, 23, 28, 32, 35, 36, 37, 41, 50, 78, 81, 104 and 141 shall enter into force only if no objection has been expressed either by the European Parliament or the Council within a period of two months of notification of that act to the European Parliament and the Council or if, before the expiry of that period, the European Parliament and the Council have both informed the Commission that they will not object. That period shall be extended by two months at the initiative of the European Parliament or of the Council.

Amendment

6. A delegated act adopted pursuant to Articles 4, 7, **11**, 12, 28, 32, 35, 36, 37, 41, 50, 78, 81, **83, 94, 110, 120** and 141 shall enter into force only if no objection has been expressed either by the European Parliament or the Council within a period of two months of notification of that act to the European Parliament and the Council or if, before the expiry of that period, the European Parliament and the Council have both informed the Commission that they will not object. That period shall be extended by two months at the initiative of the European Parliament or of the Council.

Amendment 709

Proposal for a regulation
Article 139 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

Article 139a

Mid-term review

By 30 June 2026, the Commission shall carry out a mid-term review of the CAP and submit a report to the European Parliament and the Council in order to evaluate the operation of the new model of implementation by the Member States and, where appropriate, the Commission shall submit legislative proposals.

(This Article should be inserted in Chapter IV, before Article 140)

Amendment 710

Proposal for a regulation
Article 140 – paragraph 1 – subparagraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

Regulation (EU) No 1305/2013 is repealed with effect from 1 January **2021**.

Regulation (EU) No 1305/2013 is repealed with effect from 1 January **2022**.

However, without prejudice to Annexes IX and IXa to this Regulation, Regulation (EU) No 1305/2013 shall continue be applicable, until 31 December 2022 ,to:

(a) operations implemented pursuant to rural development programmes approved by the Commission under Regulation (EU) No 1305/2013, and

(b) rural development programs approved in accordance with Article 10(2) of Regulation (EU) No 1305/2013 before 1 January 2022.

Amendment 711

Proposal for a regulation

Article 140 – paragraph 2 – subparagraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

Regulation (EU) No 1307/2013 is repealed with effect from 1 January **2021**.

Regulation (EU) No 1307/2013 is repealed with effect from 1 January **2022**.

Amendment 712

Proposal for a regulation

Article 140 – paragraph 2 – subparagraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

However, it shall continue to apply in respect of aid applications relating to claim years starting before 1 January **2021**.

However, it shall continue to apply in respect of aid applications relating to claim years starting before 1 January **2022**.

Amendment 713

Proposal for a regulation

Article 140 – paragraph 2 – subparagraph 3

Text proposed by the Commission

Articles 17 and 19 of Regulation (EU) No 1307/2013, as well as Annex I to that Regulation where relevant for Croatia, shall continue to apply until 31 December **2021**.

Amendment

Articles 17 and 19 of Regulation (EU) No 1307/2013, as well as Annex I to that Regulation where relevant for Croatia, shall continue to apply until 31 December **2022**.

Amendment 714

**Proposal for a regulation
Article 141 – paragraph 1**

Text proposed by the Commission

The Commission is empowered to adopt delegated acts in accordance with Article 138 supplementing this Regulation with measures to protect any acquired rights and legitimate expectations of beneficiaries to the extent necessary for the transition from the arrangements provided for in Regulations (EU) No 1305/2013 **and** (EU) No 1307/2013 to those laid down in this Regulation. Those transitional rules shall in particular lay down the conditions under which support approved by the Commission under Regulation (EU) No 1305/2013 may be integrated into support provided for under this Regulation, including for technical assistance and for the ex post evaluations.

Amendment

The Commission is empowered to adopt delegated acts in accordance with Article 138 supplementing this Regulation with measures to protect any acquired rights and legitimate expectations of beneficiaries to the extent necessary for the transition from the arrangements provided for in Regulations (EU) No 1305/2013, (EU) No 1307/2013 **and (EU) No 1308/2013** to those laid down in this Regulation. Those transitional rules shall in particular lay down the conditions under which support approved by the Commission under Regulation (EU) No 1305/2013, **Regulation (EU) No 1307/2013 and Regulation (EU) No 1308/2013** may be integrated into support provided for under this Regulation, including for technical assistance and for the ex post evaluations.

Amendment 715

**Proposal for a regulation
Article 141 a (new)**

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

Article 141a

Reports

By 31 December 2025, the European

Commission shall submit a report on the impact that the CAP has had on the separate island regions referred to in Article 135. That report shall be accompanied by proposals to amend the strategic plans to take into account the specific features of those areas and to improve the outcomes hoped for in line with the objectives set out in Article 6(1).

Amendment 716

Proposal for a regulation Annex I

Text proposed by the Commission

EU cross-cutting objective: Modernisation	Indicator	Result indicators (only based on interventions supported by the CAP)	Agricultural Knowledge and Innovation Systems (AKIS)	Output indicators
Fostering knowledge, innovation and digitalisation in agriculture and rural areas and encouraging their uptake	I.1 Sharing knowledge and innovation: Share of CAP budget for knowledge sharing and innovation	R.1 Enhancing performance through knowledge and innovation: Share of farmers receiving support for advice, training, knowledge exchange, or participation in operational groups to enhance economic, environmental, climate and resource efficiency performance. R.2 Linking advice and knowledge systems: number of advisors integrated within AKIS (compared to total number of farmers) R.3 Digitising agriculture: Share of farmers benefitting from support to precision farming technology through CAP	European Innovation Partnership for agricultural knowledge and innovation (EIP)**	O.1 Number of EIP operational groups O.2 Number of advisors setting up or participating in EIP operational groups

EU Specific objectives	Impact indicators	Result indicators (only based on interventions supported by the CAP)	Broad type of intervention	Output indicators (per intervention)
Support viable farm income and resilience across the Union to	I.2 Reducing income disparities: Evolution of agricultural income compared to general economy	R.4 Linking income support to standards and good practices: Share of UAA covered by income support and subject to conditionality	CAP support	O.3 Number of CAP support beneficiaries

EU Specific objectives	Impact indicators	Result indicators (only based on interventions supported by the CAP)	Broad type of intervention	Output indicators (per intervention)
enhance <i>food security</i>	I.3 Reducing farm income variability: Evolution of agricultural income	R.5 Risk Management: Share of farms with CAP risk management tools	Decoupled direct support	O.4 Number of ha for decoupled DP
	I.4 Supporting viable farm income: Evolution of agricultural income level by sectors (compared to the average in agriculture)	R.6 Redistribution to smaller farms: Percentage additional support per hectare for eligible farms below average farm size (compared to average)		O.5 Number of beneficiaries for decoupled DP
	I.5 Contributing to territorial balance: Evolution of agricultural income in areas with natural constraints (compared to the average)	R.7 Enhancing support to farms in areas with specific needs: Percentage additional support per hectare in areas with higher needs (compared to average)		O.6 Number of ha subject to enhanced income support for young farmers O.7 Number of beneficiaries subject to enhanced income support for young farmers
Enhance market orientation and increase competitiveness, including greater focus on research, technology and digitalisation	I.6 Increasing farm productivity: Total factor productivity	R.8 Targeting farms in sectors in difficulties: Share of farmers benefitting from coupled support for improving competitiveness, sustainability or quality	Risk management tools	O.8 Number of farmers covered by supported risk management instruments
	I.7 Harness Agri-food trade: Agri-food trade imports and exports	R.9 Farm modernisation: Share of farmers receiving investment support to restructure and modernise, including to improve resource efficiency	Coupled support	O.9 Number of ha benefitting from coupled support
Improve the farmers' position in the value chain	I.8 Improving farmers' position in the food chain: Value added for primary producers in the food chain	R.10 Better supply chain organisation: Share of farmers participating in supported Producer Groups, Producer Organisations, local markets, short supply chain circuits and quality schemes		O.10 Number of heads benefitting from coupled support
		R.11 Concentration of supply: Share of value of marketed production by Producer Os with operational programmes	Payments for natural constraints and other region specific constraints	O.11 Number of ha receiving ANC top up (3 categories)
Contribute to climate change mitigation and	I.9 Improving farm resilience: Index	R.12 Adaptation to climate change: Share of agricultural land under commitments to improve climate adaptation		O.12 Number of ha receiving support under Natura 2000 or the

EU Specific objectives	Impact indicators	Result indicators (only based on interventions supported by the CAP)	Broad type of intervention	Output indicators (per intervention)
adaptation, as well as sustainable energy				Water Framework Directive
	I.10 Contribute to climate change mitigation: Reducing GHG emissions from agriculture	R.13 Reducing emissions in the livestock sector: Share of livestock units under support to reduce GHG emissions and/or ammonia, including manure management	Payments for management commitments (environment-climate, genetic resources, animal welfare)	O.13 Number of ha (agricultural) covered by environment/climate commitments going beyond mandatory requirements
	I.11 Enhancing carbon sequestration: Increase the soil organic carbon	R.14 Carbon storage in soils and biomass: Share of agricultural land under commitments to reducing emissions, maintaining and/or enhancing carbon storage (permanent grassland, agricultural land in peatland, forest, etc.)		
	I.12 Increase sustainable energy in agriculture: Production of renewable energy from agriculture and forestry	R.15 Green energy from agriculture and forestry: Investments in renewable energy production capacity, including bio-based (MW)		
		R.16 Enhance energy efficiency: Energy savings in agriculture		
		R 17 Afforested land: Area supported for afforestation and creation of woodland , including agroforestry		
Foster sustainable development and efficient management of natural resources such as water, soil and air	I.13 Reducing soil erosion: Percentage of land in moderate and severe soil erosion on agricultural land	R.18 Improving soils: Share of agricultural land under management commitments beneficial for soil management		O.14 Number of ha (forestry) covered by environment/climate commitments going beyond mandatory requirements
	I.14 Improving air quality: Reduce ammonia emissions from agriculture	R.19 Improving air quality: Share of agricultural land under commitments to reduce ammonia emission		O.15 Number of ha with support for organic farming
	I.15 Improving water quality: Gross nutrient balance on agricultural land	R.20 Protecting water quality: Share of agricultural land under management commitments for water quality		O.16 Number of livestock units covered by support for animal

EU Specific objectives	Impact indicators	Result indicators (only based on interventions supported by the CAP)	Broad type of intervention	Output indicators (per intervention)
				welfare, health or increased biosecurity measures
	1.16 Reducing nutrient leakage: Nitrate in ground water - Percentage of ground water stations with N concentration over 50 mg/l as per the Nitrate directive	R.21 Sustainable nutrient management: Share of agricultural land under commitments related to improved nutrient management		O.17 Number of projects supporting genetic resources
	I.17 Reducing pressure on water resource: Water Exploitation Index Plus (WEI+)	R.22 Sustainable water use: Share of irrigated land under commitments to improve water balance	Investments	O.18 Number of supported on-farm productive investments
		R.23 Environment-/climate-related performance through investment: Share of farmers with support in investments related to care for the environment or climate		O.19 Number of supported local infrastructures
		R.24 Environmental/climate performance through knowledge: Share of farmers receiving support for advice/training related to environmental- climate performance		O.20 Number of supported non-productive investments O.21 Number of off-farm productive investments
Contribute to the protection of biodiversity, enhance ecosystem services and preserve habitats and landscapes	I.18 Increasing farmland bird populations: Farmland Bird Index	R.25 Supporting sustainable forest management: Share of forest land under management commitments to support forest protection and management.	Installation grants	O.22 Number of farmers receiving installation grants
	I.19 Enhanced biodiversity protection: Percentage of species and habitats of Community interest related to agriculture with stable or increasing trends	R.26 Protecting forest ecosystems: Share of forest land under management commitments for supporting landscape, biodiversity and ecosystem services		O.23 Number of rural entrepreneurs receiving installation grants
	I.20 Enhanced provision of ecosystem services: share of UAA covered with landscape features	R.27 Preserving habitats and species: Share of agricultural land under management commitments supporting biodiversity conservation or restoration	Cooperation	O.24 Number of supported producer groups/organisations O.25 Number of farmers receiving support to participate in EU quality schemes

EU Specific objectives	Impact indicators	Result indicators (only based on interventions supported by the CAP)	Broad type of intervention	Output indicators (per intervention)
		R.28 Supporting Natura 2000: Area in Natura 2000 sites under commitments for protection, maintenance and restoration		O.26 Number of generational renewal projects (young/non-young farmers)
		R.29 Preserving landscape features: Share of agriculture land under commitments for managing landscape features, including hedgerows		O.27 Number of local development strategies (LEADER) O.28 Number of other cooperation groups (excluding EIP reported under O.1)
Attract young farmers and facilitate business development in rural areas	1.21 Attracting young farmers: Evolution of number of new farmers	R.30 Generational renewal: Number of young farmers setting up a farm with support from the CAP	Knowledge exchange and information	O.29 Number of farmers trained/given advice
Promote employment, growth, social inclusion and local development in rural areas, including bio-economy and sustainable forestry	I.22 Contributing to jobs in rural areas: Evolution of the employment rate in predominantly rural areas	R.31 Growth and jobs in rural areas: New jobs in supported projects	Horizontal indicators	O.30 Number of non-farmers trained/given advice
	I.23 Contributing to growth in rural areas: Evolution of GDP per head in predominantly rural areas	R.32 Developing the rural bioeconomy: Number of bio-economy businesses developed with support		O.31 Number of ha under environmental practices (synthesis indicator on physical area covered by conditionality, ELS, AECM, forestry measures, organic farming)
	1.24 A fairer CAP: Improve the distribution of CAP support	R.33 Digitising the rural economy: Rural population covered by a supported Smart Villages strategy		O.32 Number of ha subject to conditionality (broken down by GAEP practice)
	I.25 Promoting rural inclusion: Evolution of poverty index in rural areas	R.34 Connecting rural Europe: Share of rural population benefitting from improved access to services and infrastructure through CAP support	Sectorial programmes	O.33 Number of producer organisations setting up an

EU Specific objectives	Impact indicators	Result indicators (only based on interventions supported by the CAP)	Broad type of intervention	Output indicators (per intervention)
Improve the response of EU agriculture to societal demands on food and health, including safe, nutritious and sustainable food, as well as animal welfare				operational fund/program
		R.35 Promoting social inclusion: Number of people from minority and/or vulnerable groups benefitting from supported social inclusion projects		O.34 Number of promotion and information actions, and market monitoring
	I.26 Limiting antibiotic use in agriculture: sales/use in food producing animals	R.36 Limiting antibiotic use: Share of livestock units concerned by supported actions to limit the use of antibiotics (prevention/reduction)		O.35 Number of actions for beekeeping preservation/improvement
	I.27 Sustainable use of pesticides: Reduce risks and impacts of pesticides**	R.37 Sustainable pesticide use: Share of agricultural land concerned by supported specific actions which lead to a sustainable use of pesticides in order to reduce risks and impacts of pesticides		
	1.28 Responding to consumer demand for quality food: Value of production under EU quality schemes (incl. organics)	R.38 Improving animal welfare: Share of livestock units covered by supported action to improve animal welfare		

** Most of impact indicators are already collected via other channels (European statistics, JRC, EEA...) and used in the framework of other EU legislation or SDGs. The data collection frequency is not always annual and there might be 2/3 years delay ** Directive on sustainable use of pesticides.*

** Proxies for results. Data notified annually by MS to monitor the progress towards the targets they established in the CAP plans.*

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Amendment

EU cross-cutting objective: Modernisation	Indicator	Result indicators (only based on interventions supported by the CAP)	Agricultural Knowledge and Innovation Systems (AKIS)	Output indicators
Modernising the sector by ensuring that farmers have access to research, training and sharing of knowledge and knowledge transfer services , innovation and digitalisation in agriculture and rural areas, and encouraging their uptake.	I.1 Sharing knowledge and innovation: Share of CAP budget for knowledge sharing and innovation	<p>R.1 Enhancing performance through knowledge and innovation: Share of farmers receiving support for advice, training, knowledge exchange, or participation in operational groups to enhance economic, environmental, climate and resource efficiency performance</p> <p>R.2 Linking advice and knowledge systems: number of advisors integrated within AKIS (compared to total number of farmers)</p> <p>R.3 Digitising agriculture: Share of farmers benefitting from support to precision and smart farming technology through CAP</p>	European Innovation Partnership for agricultural knowledge and innovation (EIP)**	<p>O.1 Number of EIP operational groups</p> <p>O.2 Number of advisors setting up or participating in EIP operational groups</p>

EU Specific objectives	Impact indicators	Result indicators (only based on interventions supported by the CAP)	Broad type of intervention	Output indicators (per intervention)
Support viable farm income and resilience of the agricultural sector across the Union to enhance long term food security and agricultural diversity, while	I.2 Reducing income disparities: Evolution of agricultural income compared to general economy	R.4 Linking income support to standards and good practices: Share of UAA covered by income support and subject to conditionality	CAP support	O.3 Number of CAP support beneficiaries, including a breakdown per type of intervention.
	I.3 Reducing farm income variability: Evolution of agricultural income	R.5 Risk Management: Share of farms with CAP risk management tools	Decoupled direct support	O.4 Number of ha for decoupled DP

EU Specific objectives	Impact indicators	Result indicators (only based on interventions supported by the CAP)	Broad type of intervention	Output indicators (per intervention)
providing safe and high quality food at fair prices with the aim of reversing the loss of farmers and ensuring the economic sustainability of agricultural production in the Union;	I.4 Supporting viable farm income: Evolution of agricultural income level by sectors (compared to the average in agriculture)	R.6 Redistribution to smaller farms: Percentage additional support per hectare for eligible farms below average farm size (compared to average).		O.5 Number of beneficiaries for decoupled DP O.5a Number of beneficiaries for basic income support
	I.4a Avoiding a decrease in the farming population: evolution of farming population by sectors (compared to the last year before the application of the Strategic Plans)			O.6 Number of ha subject to enhanced income support for young farmers
	I.5 Contributing to territorial balance: Evolution of agricultural income in areas with natural constraints (compared to the average)	R.7 Enhancing support to farms in areas with specific needs: Percentage additional support per hectare in areas with higher needs (compared to average)		O.7 Number of beneficiaries subject to enhanced income support for young farmers O.7b Number of beneficiaries receiving support for eco-schemes
Enhance market orientation, in local, national, Union as well as international markets, as well as market stabilisation, risk and crisis management , and increase long-term farm competitiveness, processing and marketing capabilities of agricultural products, with greater focus on	I.6 Increasing farm productivity: Total factor productivity	R.8 Targeting farms in sectors in difficulties: Share of farmers benefitting from coupled support for improving competitiveness, sustainability or quality	Risk management tools	O.8 Number of farmers covered by supported risk management instruments
	I.7 Harness Agri-food trade: Agri-food trade imports and exports I.7a Diversification and building of markets: evolution compared to the last year of the application of the Strategic Plans	R.9 Farm modernisation: Share of farmers receiving investment support to restructure and modernise, including to improve resource efficiency R.9a Improvement of presence in external markets: share of promotion actions intended for external markets R.9b Diversification of production sectors:: share of the	Coupled support	O.9 Number of ha benefitting from coupled support

EU Specific objectives	Impact indicators	Result indicators (only based on interventions supported by the CAP)	Broad type of intervention	Output indicators (per intervention)
<i>quality differentiation, research, innovation, technology, knowledge transfer and exchange and digitalisation, and facilitating the access of farmers to circular economy dynamics.</i>		<i>regional agricultural area used for each crop or production sector</i>		
Improve the farmers' <i>bargaining</i> position in the value chains <i>by encouraging associative forms, producer organisations and collective negotiations, as well as promoting short supply chains;</i>	I.8 Improving farmers' position in the food chain: Value added for primary producers in the food chain	R.10 Better supply chain organisation: Share of farmers participating in supported Producer Groups, Producer Organisations, local markets, short supply chain circuits and quality schemes		O.10 Number of heads benefitting from coupled support <i>O. 10a Number of ha covered by commitments to grow leguminous crops</i>
		R.11 Concentration of supply: Share of value of marketed production by Producer Os with operational programmes	Payments for natural constraints and other region specific constraints	O.11 Number of ha receiving ANC top up (3 categories)
Contribute to climate change mitigation and adaptation <i>to global warming</i> , as well as <i>favouring the incorporation of</i> sustainable energy <i>while ensuring food security in the future, by reducing the greenhouse gas emissions of the agricultural and food sector, including through soil carbon</i>	I.9 Improving farm resilience: Index	R.12 Adaptation to climate change: Share of agricultural land under commitments to improve climate adaptation		O.12 Number of ha receiving support under Natura 2000 or the Water Framework Directive
	I.10 Contribute to climate change mitigation: Reducing GHG emissions from agriculture	R.13 Reducing emissions in the livestock sector: Share of livestock units under support to reduce GHG emissions and/or ammonia, including manure management	Payments for management commitments (environment-climate, genetic resources, animal welfare)	O.13 Number of ha (agricultural) <i>and number of other units</i> covered by environment/climate commitments going beyond mandatory requirements, <i>including eco-scheme</i>

EU Specific objectives	Impact indicators	Result indicators (only based on interventions supported by the CAP)	Broad type of intervention	Output indicators (per intervention)
<i>sequestration and the protection of forests, in accordance with the relevant international agreements.</i>	I.11 Enhancing carbon sequestration: Increase the soil organic carbon	R.14 Carbon storage in soils and biomass: Share of land under commitments to reducing emissions, maintaining and/or enhancing carbon storage (permanent grassland, agricultural land in wetland peatland, forest, etc.)		<i>O. 13a Number of ha covered by commitments in High Natural Value land.</i>
	I.12 Increase sustainable energy in agriculture: Production of renewable energy from agriculture, forestry and agroforestry .	R.15 Renewable energy from agriculture and forestry: Investments in renewable energy production capacity, including bio-based (MW)		
		R.16 Enhance energy efficiency: Net energy savings in agriculture		
		R 17 Afforested land: Area supported for afforestation restoration and creation of permanent woodland including agroforestry		
Foster sustainable development and efficient management of natural resources, such as water, soil and air, while reducing chemical dependency with the aim of reaching the goals provided for in the relevant legislative instruments and rewarding farming practices and systems that deliver multiple environmental benefits including the halting of desertification.	I.13 Reducing soil erosion and increase resilience against extreme weather conditions : Percentage of land in moderate and severe soil erosion on agricultural land	R.18 Improving soils: Share of agricultural land under management commitments to improve soil quality and abundance of soil biota		O.14 Number of ha (forestry) covered by environment/climate commitments going beyond mandatory requirements <i>O.14a Number of ha covered by commitments to support Integrated pest Management</i>
	I.14 Improving air quality: Reduce ammonia emissions from agriculture	R.19 Improving air quality: Share of agricultural land under commitments to reduce ammonia emission		O.15 Number of ha with support for organic farming
	I.15 Improving water quality: Gross nutrient balance on agricultural land	R.20 Protecting water quality: Share of agricultural land under management commitments for water quality for improving the status of water bodies.		O.16 Number of livestock units covered by support for animal welfare, health or increased biosecurity measures

EU Specific objectives	Impact indicators	Result indicators (only based on interventions supported by the CAP)	Broad type of intervention	Output indicators (per intervention)
	1.16 Reducing nutrient leakage: Nitrate in ground water - Percentage of ground water stations with N concentration over 50 mg/l as per the Nitrate directive	R.21 Sustainable nutrient management: Share of agricultural land under commitments related to improved nutrient management	Investments	O.17 Number of projects and farmers supporting genetic resources and genetic diversity, including a break down by sectors.ces
	I.17 Reducing pressure on water resource: Water Exploitation Index Plus (WEI+)	R.22 Sustainable water use: Share of irrigated land under commitments to improve water balance		O.18 Number of supported on-farm productive investments
		R.23 Environment-/climate-related performance through investment: Share of farmers with support in productive and non-productive investments related to care for the environment or climate		O.19 Number of supported local infrastructures
		R.24 Environmental/climate performance through knowledge: Share of farmers receiving support for advice/training related to environmental- climate performance		O.20 Number of supported non-productive investments
				O.21 Number of off-farm productive investments
Contribute to reversing the decline of biodiversity, including by protecting beneficial fauna, including pollinator species, promoting agrobiodiversity, environmental services, nature conservation and agroforestry, as well as contributing to preventing natural risk	I.18 Increasing farmland bird populations: Farmland Bird Index	R.25 Supporting sustainable forest management: Share of forest land under management commitments to support forest protection and management.	Installation grants	O.22 Number of young farmers receiving installation grants O.22a Number of new farmers receiving installation grants
	I.19 Enhanced biodiversity protection: Percentage of species and habitats of Community interest related to agriculture with stable or increasing trends I.19a Reducing pollinators decline in EU: EU	R.26 Protecting forest ecosystems: Share of forest land under management commitments for supporting landscape, biodiversity and ecosystem services		O.23 Number of rural entrepreneurs receiving installation grants

EU Specific objectives	Impact indicators	Result indicators (only based on interventions supported by the CAP)	Broad type of intervention	Output indicators (per intervention)
and achieving greater resilience, restoring and preserving soils, water bodies, habitats and landscapes, and supporting High Nature Value farming systems.	<i>pollinator index</i>^{*a}			
	I.20 Enhanced provision of ecosystem services: share of agricultural land covered with landscape features	R.27 Preserving habitats and species: Share of agricultural land under management commitments supporting biodiversity conservation or restoration, including HNV farmland	Cooperation	O.24 Number of supported producer groups/organisations
	<i>I.20a Increased agro-biodiversity in farming system: enhanced varietal diversity</i>	R.28 Supporting Natura 2000: Area in Natura 2000 sites under commitments for protection, maintenance and restoration		O.25 Number of farmers receiving support to participate in EU quality schemes
		<i>R.28a. Improving biodiversity: Share of lands under commitments beneficial for agro-biodiversity, broken down by types of interventions.</i>		O.26 Number of generational renewal projects (young/non-young farmers)
		R.29 Preserving landscape features: Share of agriculture land under commitments for managing landscape features, including hedgerows, trees and semi-natural vegetation . <i>R.29a Preserving beehives: Number of beneficiaries for the support to beekeeping.</i>		O.27 Number of local development strategies (LEADER) O.28 Number of other cooperation groups (excluding EIP reported under O.1)
Attract and support young farmers, new farmers, and promoting the participation of women in the agricultural sector, particularly in the most depopulated areas and areas with natural	1.21 Attracting young farmers: new farmers and facilitate business development: Evolution of number of young farmers, new farmers and SMEs in rural areas. <i>I.21a Attracting women: Evolution of number of women setting up as young farmers or new farmers.</i>	R.30 Generational renewal: Number of young farmers and new farmers setting up a farm with support from the CAP, including a gender breakdown.	Knowledge exchange and information	O.29 Number of farmers trained/given advice

EU Specific objectives	Impact indicators	Result indicators (only based on interventions supported by the CAP)	Broad type of intervention	Output indicators (per intervention)
constraints; facilitate training and experience across the Union, sustainable business development and job creation in rural areas;				
Promote social and territorial cohesion in rural areas including through employment creation , growth, investment, social inclusion, combatting rural poverty and through local development, including high quality local services for rural communities, focussing in particular on areas with natural constraints; promoting decent living, working and economic conditions; diversification of activities and income , including agri-tourism , bio-economy, circular economy , and sustainable forestry, while respecting gender equality; promoting equal opportunities in rural areas through specific support	I.22 Contributing to jobs in rural areas: Evolution of the employment rate in predominantly rural areas, including a gender breakdown.	R.31 Growth and jobs in rural areas: New jobs in supported projects, including a gender breakdown.		O.30 Number of non-farmers trained/given advice
	I.23 Contributing to growth in rural areas: Evolution of GDP per head in predominantly rural areas	R.32 Developing the rural bioeconomy: Number of bio-economy businesses developed with support	Horizontal indicators	O.31 Number of ha under environmental practices (synthesis indicator on physical area covered by conditionality, ELS, AECM, forestry measures, organic farming)
	1.24 A fairer CAP: Improve the distribution of CAP support	R.33 Digitising the rural economy: Share of Rural population covered by supported farming digitalisation and shared of rural areas covered a supported Smart Villages strategy		O.32 Number of ha subject to conditionality (broken down by GAEP practice)
	I.25 Promoting rural inclusion: Evolution of poverty index in rural areas, including a gender breakdown.	R.34 Connecting rural Europe: Share of rural population benefitting from improved access to services and infrastructure through CAP support	Sectorial programmes	O.33 Number of producer organisations setting up an operational fund/program
		R.35 Promoting social inclusion: Number of people from minority and/or vulnerable groups benefitting from supported social inclusion projects		O.34 Number of promotion and information actions, and market monitoring

EU Specific objectives	Impact indicators	Result indicators (only based on interventions supported by the CAP)	Broad type of intervention	Output indicators (per intervention)
<i>measures, and recognition of women's work in agriculture, crafts, tourism and local services</i>				
Improve the response of EU agriculture to societal demands on food and health, including safe, nutritious, high quality and sustainable food, organic agriculture , food waste, as well as environmental sustainability, antimicrobial resistance and improving animal health and welfare, as well as increasing social awareness of the importance of agriculture and rural areas while contributing to the implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development.	I.26 Limiting antibiotic use in agriculture: sales/use in food producing animals	R.36 Limiting antibiotic use: Share of livestock units concerned by supported actions to limit the use of antibiotics (prevention/reduction)		O.35 Number of actions for beekeeping preservation/improvement
	I.27 Sustainable and reduced use of pesticides: Reduce risks, use and impacts of pesticides**	R.37 Sustainable and reduced pesticide use: Share of agricultural land concerned by supported specific actions which lead to a sustainable use of pesticides in order to reduce risks and impacts of pesticides		
	1.28 Responding to consumer demand for quality food: Value of production under EU quality schemes (incl. organics)	R.38 Improving animal welfare: Share of livestock units covered by supported action to improve animal welfare R.38a Increasing the number of organic farms: number of farms which have received support to transition to organic farming.		

* Most of impact indicators are already collected via other channels (European statistics, JRC, EEA...) and used in the framework of other EU legislation or SDGs. The data collection frequency is not always annual and there might be 2/3 years delay. ****Pollinator index will be implemented after their methodology will be set up by the Commission**
 ** Directive on sustainable use of pesticides.

* Proxies for results. Data notified annually by MS to monitor the progress towards the targets they established in the CAP plans.

* Proxies for results. Data notified annually by MS to monitor the progress towards the targets they established in the CAP plans.

Amendment 717

Proposal for a regulation Annex III

Text proposed by the Commission

Areas	Main Issue	Requirements and standards		Main objective of the standard
Climate and environment	Climate change (mitigation of and adaptation to)	GAEC 1	Maintenance of permanent grassland based on a ratio of permanent grassland in relation to agricultural area	<i>General safeguard against conversion to other agricultural uses to preserve carbon stock</i>
		GAEC 2	<i>Appropriate protection</i> of wetland and peatland	<i>Protection of carbon-rich soils</i>
		GAEC 3	Ban on burning arable stubble, except for plant health reasons	<i>Maintenance of soil organic matter</i>
	Water	SMR 1	Directive 2000/60/EC of 23 October 2000 of the European Parliament and of the Council establishing a framework for Community action in the field of water policy: Article 11(3)(e) and Article 11(3)(h) as regards mandatory requirements to control diffuse sources of pollution by phosphates	

Areas	Main Issue	Requirements and standards		Main objective of the standard
		SMR 2	Council Directive 91/676/EEC of 12 December 1991 concerning the protection of waters against pollution caused by nitrates from agricultural sources (OJ L 375, 31.12.1991, p. 1): Articles 4 and 5	
		GAEC 4	Establishment of buffer strips along water courses ¹	<i>Protection of river courses against pollution and run-off</i>
		GAEC 5	<i>Use of Farm Sustainability Tool for Nutrients²</i>	<i>Sustainable management of nutrients</i>
	Soil (protection and quality)	GAEC 6	Tillage management reducing the risk of soil degradation, including slope consideration	<i>Minimum land management reflecting site specific conditions to limit erosion</i>
		GAEC 7	<i>No bare soil in most sensitive period(s)</i>	<i>Protection of soils in winter</i>
		GAEC 8	Crop rotation	<i>Preserve the soil potential</i>

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Areas	Main Issue	Requirements and standards		Main objective of the standard
	Biodiversity and landscape (protection and quality)	SMR 3	Directive 2009/147/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 30 November 2009 on the conservation of wild birds (OJ L 20, 26.1.2010, p. 7): Article 3(1), Article 3(2)(b), Article 4(1), (2) and (4)	
		SMR 4	Council Directive 92/43/EEC of 21 May 1992 on the conservation of natural habitats and of wild flora and fauna (OJ L 206, 22.7.1992, p. 7): Article 6(1) and (2)	
		GAEC 9	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Minimum share of agricultural area devoted to non-productive features or areas • Retention of landscape features • Ban on cutting hedges and trees during the bird breeding and rearing season • As an option, measures for avoiding invasive plant species 	<i>Maintenance of non-productive features and area to improve on-farm biodiversity</i>
		GAEC 10	Ban on converting or ploughing permanent grassland in Natura 2000 sites	<i>Protection of habitats and species</i>

Areas	Main Issue	Requirements and standards		Main objective of the standard
Public health, animal health and plant health	Food safety	SMR 5	Regulation (EC) No 178/2002 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 28 January 2002 laying down the general principles and requirements of food law, establishing the European Food Safety Authority and laying down procedures in matters of food safety (OJ L 31, 1.2.2002, p. 1): Articles 14 and 15, Article 17(1) ¹ and Articles 18, 19 and 20	
	Identification and registration of animals	SMR 6	Council Directive 96/22/EC of 29 April 1996 concerning the prohibition on the use in stockfarming of certain substances having a hormonal or thyrostatic action and beta-agonists, and repealing Directives 81/602/EEC, 88/146/EEC and 88/299/EEC (OJ L 125, 23.5.1996, p. 3): Article 3(a), (b), (d) and (e) and Articles 4, 5 and 7	
		SMR 7	Council Directive 2008/71/EC of 15 July 2008 on identification and registration of pigs (OJ L 213, 8.8.2005, p. 31): Articles 3, 4 and 5	

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Areas	Main Issue	Requirements and standards		Main objective of the standard
		SMR 8	Regulation (EC) No 1760/2000 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 17 July 2000 establishing a system for the identification and registration of bovine animals and regarding the labelling of beef and beef products and repealing Council Regulation (EC) No 820/97(OJ L 204, 11.8.2000, p. 1): Articles 4 and 7	
		SMR 9	Council Regulation (EC) No 21/2004 of 17 December 2003 establishing a system for the identification and registration of ovine and caprine animals and amending Regulation (EC) No 1782/2003 and Directives 92/102/EEC and 64/432/EEC (OJ L 5, 9.1.2004, p. 8): Articles 3, 4 and 5	
	Animal diseases	SMR 10	Regulation (EC) No 999/2001 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 22 May 2001 laying down rules for the prevention, control and eradication of certain transmissible spongiform encephalopathies (OJ L 147, 31.5.2001, p. 1): Articles 7, 11, 12, 13 and 15	

Areas	Main Issue	Requirements and standards		Main objective of the standard
		SMR 11	<p>Regulation (EU) 2016/429 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 9 March 2016 on transmissible animal diseases (OJ L 84, 31.3.2016, p.1)</p> <p>Article 18(1), limited to foot-and-mouth disease, swine vesicular disease and blue tongue.</p>	
	Plant protection products	SMR 12	<p>Regulation (EC) No 1107/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 21 October 2009 concerning the placing of plant protection products on the market and repealing Council Directives 79/117/EEC and 91/414/EEC (OJ L 309, 24.11.2009, p. 1):</p> <p>Article 55, first and second sentence</p>	
		SMR 13	<p>Directive 2009/128/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 21 October 2009 establishing a framework for Community action to achieve the sustainable use of pesticides (OJ L 309, 24.11.2009, p. 71):</p> <p>Article 5(2) and Article 8(1) to (5)</p> <p>Article 12 with regard to restrictions on the use of pesticides in protected areas defined on the basis of the Water Framework Directive and Natura 2000 legislation.</p> <p>Article 13(1) and (3) on handling and storage of pesticides and disposal of remnants.</p>	

Areas	Main Issue	Requirements and standards		Main objective of the standard
Animal welfare	Animal welfare	SMR 14	Council Directive 2008/119/EC of 18 December 2008 laying down minimum standards for the protection of calves (OJ L 10, 15.1.2009, p. 7): Articles 3 and 4	
		SMR 15	Council Directive 2008/120/EC of 18 December 2008 laying down minimum standards for the protection of pigs (OJ L 47, 18.2.2009, p. 5): Article 3 and Article 4	
		SMR 16	Council Directive 98/58/EC of 20 July 1998 concerning the protection of animals kept for farming purposes(OJ L 221, 8.8.1998, p. 23): Article 4	

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Areas	Main Issue	Requirements and standards		Main objective of the standard
Climate and environment	Climate change (mitigation of and adaptation to)	GAEC 1	Maintenance of permanent grassland <i>at regional or national level</i> based on a ratio of permanent grassland in relation to agricultural area <i>in comparison to a reference year before the year 2019.</i> <i>Maximum variation coefficient of 5 per cent</i>	<i>General safeguard against conversion to other agricultural uses to preserve carbon stock</i>

Areas	Main Issue	Requirements and standards		Main objective of the standard
		GAEC 2	<i>Maintenance</i> of wetland and peatland <i>in sensitive areas of Natura 2000</i>	<i>Protection of carbon-rich soils</i>
		GAEC 3	Ban on burning arable stubble, except for plant health reasons	<i>Maintenance of soil organic matter, reducing air pollution</i>
	Water	SMR 1	Directive 2000/60/EC of 23 October 2000 of the European Parliament and of the Council establishing a framework for Community action in the field of water policy: Article 11(3)(e) and Article 11(3)(h) as regards mandatory requirements to control diffuse sources of pollution by phosphates	
		SMR 2	Council Directive 91/676/EEC of 12 December 1991 concerning the protection of waters against pollution caused by nitrates from agricultural sources (OJ L 375, 31.12.1991, p. 1): Article 5	
		GAEC 4	Establishment of buffer strips along water courses <i>without using pesticides and fertilizers</i>	<i>Protection of river courses, water supplies and ecosystems against pollution and run-off</i>
		GAEC 5	<i>Deleted</i>	<i>Deleted</i>

Areas	Main Issue	Requirements and standards		Main objective of the standard
	Soil, protection, quality (a.p soil building humidification)	GAEC 6	<i>Appropriate</i> tillage management reducing the risk of soil degradation <i>and loss</i> , including slope consideration	<i>Minimum land management reflecting site specific conditions to limit erosion</i>
		GAEC 7	<i>Minimum soil cover or protection to limit erosion in the most sensitive periods</i>	<i>Physical</i> protection of soils <i>against erosion, maintaining soil biota</i>
		GAEC 8	Crop rotation <i>or alternative practices in arable land except for crops grown underwater</i>	<i>Preserve the soil potential</i>
	Biodiversity and landscape (protection and quality)	SMR 3	Directive 2009/147/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 30 November 2009 on the conservation of wild birds (OJ L 20, 26.1.2010, p. 7): Article 3(1), Article 3(2)(b), Article 4(1), (2) and (4)	
		SMR 4	Council Directive 92/43/EEC of 21 May 1992 on the conservation of natural habitats and of wild flora and fauna (OJ L 206, 22.7.1992, p. 7): Article 6(1) and (2)	
		GAEC 9	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Retention of landscape features • Ban on cutting hedges and trees during the bird breeding and rearing season • As an option, measures for avoiding invasive plant species 	<i>Maintenance of non-productive features and area to improve on-farm biodiversity</i>

Areas	Main Issue	Requirements and standards		Main objective of the standard
		GAEC 10	<i>Appropriate protection of</i> permanent grassland in Natura 2000 sites <i>recognised as sensitive areas according to sites specific management plans</i>	<i>Protection of habitats and species, carbon sinking</i>
Public health, animal health and plant health	Food safety	SMR 5	Regulation (EC) No 178/2002 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 28 January 2002 laying down the general principles and requirements of food law, establishing the European Food Safety Authority and laying down procedures in matters of food safety (OJ L 31, 1.2.2002, p. 1): Articles 14 and 15, Article 17(1) ¹ and Articles 18, 19 and 20	
		SMR 6	Council Directive 96/22/EC of 29 April 1996 concerning the prohibition on the use in stockfarming of certain substances having a hormonal or thyrostatic action and beta-agonists, and repealing Directives 81/602/EEC, 88/146/EEC and 88/299/EEC (OJ L 125, 23.5.1996, p. 3): Article 3(a), (b), (d) and (e) and Articles 4, 5 and 7	

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Areas	Main Issue	Requirements and standards		Main objective of the standard
	Identification and registration of animals	SMR 7	Council Directive 2008/71/EC of 15 July 2008 on identification and registration of pigs (OJ L 213, 8.8.2005, p. 31): Articles 3 and 4	
		SMR 8	Regulation (EC) No 1760/2000 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 17 July 2000 establishing a system for the identification and registration of bovine animals and regarding the labelling of beef and beef products and repealing Council Regulation (EC) No 820/97(OJ L 204, 11.8.2000, p. 1): Articles 7	
		SMR 9	Council Regulation (EC) No 21/2004 of 17 December 2003 establishing a system for the identification and registration of ovine and caprine animals and amending Regulation (EC) No 1782/2003 and Directives 92/102/EEC and 64/432/EEC (OJ L 5, 9.1.2004, p. 8): Articles 3 and 5	
	Animal diseases	SMR 10	Regulation (EC) No 999/2001 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 22 May 2001 laying down rules for the prevention, control and eradication of certain transmissible spongiform encephalopathies (OJ L 147, 31.5.2001, p. 1): Articles 7, 11, 12, 13 and 15	

Areas	Main Issue	Requirements and standards		Main objective of the standard
		SMR 11	Regulation (EU) 2016/429 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 9 March 2016 on transmissible animal diseases (OJ L 84, 31.3.2016, p.1) Article 18(1), limited to foot-and-mouth disease, swine vesicular disease and blue tongue.	
	Plant protection products	SMR 12	Regulation (EC) No 1107/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 21 October 2009 concerning the placing of plant protection products on the market and repealing Council Directives 79/117/EEC and 91/414/EEC (OJ L 309, 24.11.2009, p. 1): Article 55, first and second sentence	
		SMR 13	Directive 2009/128/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 21 October 2009 establishing a framework for Community action to achieve the sustainable use of pesticides (OJ L 309, 24.11.2009, p. 71): Article 5(2) and Article 8(1) to (5) Article 12 with regard to restrictions on the use of pesticides in protected areas defined on the basis of the Water Framework Directive and Natura 2000 legislation. Article 13(1) and (3) on handling and storage of pesticides and disposal of remnants.	

Areas	Main Issue	Requirements and standards		Main objective of the standard
Animal welfare	Animal welfare	SMR 14	Council Directive 2008/119/EC of 18 December 2008 laying down minimum standards for the protection of calves (OJ L 10, 15.1.2009, p. 7): Articles 3 and 4	
		SMR 15	Council Directive 2008/120/EC of 18 December 2008 laying down minimum standards for the protection of pigs (OJ L 47, 18.2.2009, p. 5): Article 3 and Article 4	
		SMR 16	Council Directive 98/58/EC of 20 July 1998 concerning the protection of animals kept for farming purposes(OJ L 221, 8.8.1998, p. 23): Article 4	

Amendment 718

Proposal for a regulation Annex IV – table

Text proposed by the Commission

MEMBER STATES ALLOCATIONS FOR DIRECT PAYMENTS REFERRED TO IN THE FIRST SUBPARAGRAPH OF ARTICLE 81(1)

(current prices in EUR)

Calendar year	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027 and the subsequent years
Belgium	485 603 954	485 603 954	485 603 954	485 603 954	485 603 954	485 603 954	485 603 954
Bulgaria	776 281 570	784 748 620	793 215 670	801 682 719	810 149 769	818 616 819	818 616 819
Czech Republic	838 844 295	838 844 295	838 844 295	838 844 295	838 844 295	838 844 295	838 844 295
Denmark	846 124 520	846 124 520	846 124 520	846 124 520	846 124 520	846 124 520	846 124 520
Germany	4 823 107 939	4 823 107 939	4 823 107 939	4 823 107 939	4 823 107 939	4 823 107 939	4 823 107 939
Estonia	167 721 513	172 667 776	177 614 039	182 560 302	187 506 565	192 452 828	192 452 828
Ireland	1 163 938 279	1 163 938 279	1 163 938 279	1 163 938 279	1 163 938 279	1 163 938 279	1 163 938 279
Greece	2 036 560 894	2 036 560 894	2 036 560 894	2 036 560 894	2 036 560 894	2 036 560 894	2 036 560 894
Spain	4 768 736 743	4 775 898 870	4 783 060 997	4 790 223 124	4 797 385 252	4 804 547 379	4 804 547 379
France	7 147 786 964	7 147 786 964	7 147 786 964	7 147 786 964	7 147 786 964	7 147 786 964	7 147 786 964
Croatia	344 340 000	367 711 409	367 711 409	367 711 409	367 711 409	367 711 409	367 711 409
Italy	3 560 185 516	3 560 185 516	3 560 185 516	3 560 185 516	3 560 185 516	3 560 185 516	3 560 185 516
Cyprus	46 750 094	46 750 094	46 750 094	46 750 094	46 750 094	46 750 094	46 750 094
Latvia	299 633 591	308 294 625	316 955 660	325 616 694	334 277 729	342 938 763	342 938 763

Calendar year	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027 and the subsequent years
Lithuania	510 820 241	524 732 238	538 644 234	552 556 230	566 468 227	580 380 223	580 380 223
Luxembourg	32 131 019	32 131 019	32 131 019	32 131 019	32 131 019	32 131 019	32 131 019
Hungary	1 219 769 672	1 219 769 672	1 219 769 672	1 219 769 672	1 219 769 672	1 219 769 672	1 219 769 672
Malta	4 507 492	4 507 492	4 507 492	4 507 492	4 507 492	4 507 492	4 507 492
Netherlands	703 870 373	703 870 373	703 870 373	703 870 373	703 870 373	703 870 373	703 870 373
Austria	664 819 537	664 819 537	664 819 537	664 819 537	664 819 537	664 819 537	664 819 537
Poland	2 972 977 807	3 003 574 280	3 034 170 753	3 064 767 227	3 095 363 700	3 125 960 174	3 125 960 174
Portugal	584 824 383	593 442 972	602 061 562	610 680 152	619 298 742	627 917 332	627 917 332
Romania	1 856 172 601	1 883 211 603	1 910 250 604	1 937 289 605	1 964 328 606	1 991 367 607	1 991 367 607
Slovenia	129 052 673	129 052 673	129 052 673	129 052 673	129 052 673	129 052 673	129 052 673
Slovakia	383 806 378	388 574 951	393 343 524	398 112 097	402 880 670	407 649 243	407 649 243
Finland	505 999 667	507 783 955	509 568 242	511 352 530	513 136 817	514 921 104	514 921 104
Sweden	672 760 909	672 984 762	673 208 615	673 432 468	673 656 321	673 880 175	673 880 175

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MEMBER STATES ALLOCATIONS FOR DIRECT PAYMENTS REFERRED TO IN THE FIRST SUBPARAGRAPH OF ARTICLE 81(1)

(current prices in EUR)

Calendar year	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027 and the subsequent years
Belgium	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Bulgaria	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Czech Republic	X	X	X	X	X	X	X

Calendar year	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027 and the subsequent years
Denmark	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Germany	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Estonia	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Ireland	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Greece	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Spain	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
France	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Croatia	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Italy	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Cyprus	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Latvia	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Lithuania	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Luxembourg	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Hungary	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Malta	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Netherlands	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Austria	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Poland	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Portugal	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Romania	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Slovenia	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Slovakia	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Finland	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Sweden	X	X	X	X	X	X	X

Amendment 719

Proposal for a regulation Annex V – table

Text proposed by the Commission

MEMBER STATES' ANNUAL ALLOCATIONS FOR TYPES OF INTERVENTION IN THE WINE SECTOR AS REFERRED TO IN ARTICLE 82(1)	
	EUR (current prices)

Bulgaria	25 721 000
Czech Republic	4 954 000
Germany	37 381 000
Greece	23 030 000
Spain	202 147 000
France	269 628 000
Croatia	10 410 000
Italy	323 883 000
Cyprus	4 465 000
Lithuania	43 000
Hungary	27 970 000
Austria	13 155 000
Portugal	62 670 000
Romania	45 844 000
Slovenia	4 849 000
Slovakia	4 887 000

Amendment

MEMBER STATES' ANNUAL ALLOCATIONS FOR TYPES OF INTERVENTION IN THE WINE SECTOR AS REFERRED TO IN ARTICLE 82(1)	
	EUR (current prices)
Bulgaria	X
Czech Republic	X
Germany	X
Greece	X
Spain	X
France	X
Croatia	X
Italy	X
Cyprus	X
Lithuania	X
Hungary	X

Austria	<i>X</i>
Portugal	<i>X</i>
Romania	<i>X</i>
Slovenia	<i>X</i>
Slovakia	<i>X</i>

Amendment 720

Proposal for a regulation
Annex VI – table

Text proposed by the Commission

MEMBER STATES ALLOCATIONS FOR COTTON REFERRED TO IN THE SECOND SUBPARAGRAPH OF ARTICLE 81(1)

(current prices in EUR)

Calendar year	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027 and the subsequent years
Bulgaria	2 509 615	2 509 615	2 509 615	2 509 615	2 509 615	2 509 615	2 509 615
Greece	180 532 000	180 532 000	180 532 000	180 532 000	180 532 000	180 532 000	180 532 000
Spain	58 565 040	58 565 040	58 565 040	58 565 040	58 565 040	58 565 040	58 565 040
Portugal	174 239	174 239	174 239	174 239	174 239	174 239	174 239

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MEMBER STATES ALLOCATIONS FOR COTTON REFERRED TO IN THE SECOND SUBPARAGRAPH OF ARTICLE 81(1)

(current prices in EUR)

Calendar year	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027 and the subsequent years
Bulgaria	X	X	X	X	X	X	X

Greece	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Spain	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Portugal	X	X	X	X	X	X	X

Amendment 721

Proposal for a regulation Annex VII – table

Text proposed by the Commission

MEMBER STATES ALLOCATIONS FOR DIRECT PAYMENTS WITHOUT COTTON AND BEFORE CAPPING TRANSFER REFERRED TO IN THE THIRD SUBPARAGRAPH OF ARTICLE 81(1)

(current prices in EUR)

Calendar year	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027 and the subsequent years
Belgium	485 603 954	485 603 954	485 603 954	485 603 954	485 603 954	485 603 954	485 603 954
Bulgaria	773 771 955	782 239 005	790 706 055	799 173 104	807 640 154	816 107 204	816 107 204
Czech Republic	838 844 295	838 844 295	838 844 295	838 844 295	838 844 295	838 844 295	838 844 295
Denmark	846 124 520	846 124 520	846 124 520	846 124 520	846 124 520	846 124 520	846 124 520
Germany	4 823 107 939	4 823 107 939	4 823 107 939	4 823 107 939	4 823 107 939	4 823 107 939	4 823 107 939
Estonia	167 721 513	172 667 776	177 614 039	182 560 302	187 506 565	192 452 828	192 452 828
Ireland	1 163 938 279	1 163 938 279	1 163 938 279	1 163 938 279	1 163 938 279	1 163 938 279	1 163 938 279

Calendar year	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027 and the subsequent years
Greece	<i>1 856 028 894</i>	<i>1 856 028 894</i>	<i>1 856 028 894</i>	<i>1 856 028 894</i>	<i>1 856 028 894</i>	<i>1 856 028 894</i>	<i>1 856 028 894</i>
Spain	<i>4 710 171 703</i>	<i>4 717 333 830</i>	<i>4 724 495 957</i>	<i>4 731 658 084</i>	<i>4 738 820 212</i>	<i>4 745 982 339</i>	<i>4 745 982 339</i>
France	<i>7 147 786 964</i>	<i>7 147 786 964</i>	<i>7 147 786 964</i>	<i>7 147 786 964</i>	<i>7 147 786 964</i>	<i>7 147 786 964</i>	<i>7 147 786 964</i>
Croatia	<i>344 340 000</i>	<i>367 711 409</i>	<i>367 711 409</i>	<i>367 711 409</i>	<i>367 711 409</i>	<i>367 711 409</i>	<i>367 711 409</i>
Italy	<i>3 560 185 516</i>	<i>3 560 185 516</i>	<i>3 560 185 516</i>	<i>3 560 185 516</i>	<i>3 560 185 516</i>	<i>3 560 185 516</i>	<i>3 560 185 516</i>
Cyprus	<i>46 750 094</i>	<i>46 750 094</i>	<i>46 750 094</i>	<i>46 750 094</i>	<i>46 750 094</i>	<i>46 750 094</i>	<i>46 750 094</i>
Latvia	<i>299 633 591</i>	<i>308 294 625</i>	<i>316 955 660</i>	<i>325 616 694</i>	<i>334 277 729</i>	<i>342 938 763</i>	<i>342 938 763</i>
Lithuania	<i>510 820 241</i>	<i>524 732 238</i>	<i>538 644 234</i>	<i>552 556 230</i>	<i>566 468 227</i>	<i>580 380 223</i>	<i>580 380 223</i>
Luxembourg	<i>32 131 019</i>	<i>32 131 019</i>	<i>32 131 019</i>	<i>32 131 019</i>	<i>32 131 019</i>	<i>32 131 019</i>	<i>32 131 019</i>
Hungary	<i>1 219 769 672</i>	<i>1 219 769 672</i>	<i>1 219 769 672</i>	<i>1 219 769 672</i>	<i>1 219 769 672</i>	<i>1 219 769 672</i>	<i>1 219 769 672</i>
Malta	<i>4 507 492</i>	<i>4 507 492</i>	<i>4 507 492</i>	<i>4 507 492</i>	<i>4 507 492</i>	<i>4 507 492</i>	<i>4 507 492</i>
Netherlands	<i>703 870 373</i>	<i>703 870 373</i>	<i>703 870 373</i>	<i>703 870 373</i>	<i>703 870 373</i>	<i>703 870 373</i>	<i>703 870 373</i>
Austria	<i>664 819 537</i>	<i>664 819 537</i>	<i>664 819 537</i>	<i>664 819 537</i>	<i>664 819 537</i>	<i>664 819 537</i>	<i>664 819 537</i>
Poland	<i>2 972 977 807</i>	<i>3 003 574 280</i>	<i>3 034 170 753</i>	<i>3 064 767 227</i>	<i>3 095 363 700</i>	<i>3 125 960 174</i>	<i>3 125 960 174</i>
Portugal	<i>584 650 144</i>	<i>593 268 733</i>	<i>601 887 323</i>	<i>610 505 913</i>	<i>619 124 503</i>	<i>627 743 093</i>	<i>627 743 093</i>
Romania	<i>1 856 172 601</i>	<i>1 883 211 603</i>	<i>1 910 250 604</i>	<i>1 937 289 605</i>	<i>1 964 328 606</i>	<i>1 991 367 607</i>	<i>1 991 367 607</i>
Slovenia	<i>129 052 673</i>	<i>129 052 673</i>	<i>129 052 673</i>	<i>129 052 673</i>	<i>129 052 673</i>	<i>129 052 673</i>	<i>129 052 673</i>
Slovakia	<i>383 806 378</i>	<i>388 574 951</i>	<i>393 343 524</i>	<i>398 112 097</i>	<i>402 880 670</i>	<i>407 649 243</i>	<i>407 649 243</i>
Finland	<i>505 999 667</i>	<i>507 783 955</i>	<i>509 568 242</i>	<i>511 352 530</i>	<i>513 136 817</i>	<i>514 921 104</i>	<i>514 921 104</i>
Sweden	<i>672 760 909</i>	<i>672 984 762</i>	<i>673 208 615</i>	<i>673 432 468</i>	<i>673 656 321</i>	<i>673 880 175</i>	<i>673 880 175</i>

Amendment

MEMBER STATES ALLOCATIONS FOR DIRECT PAYMENTS WITHOUT COTTON AND BEFORE CAPPING TRANSFER REFERRED TO IN THE THIRD SUBPARAGRAPH OF ARTICLE 81(1)

(current prices in EUR)

Calendar year	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027 and the subsequent years
Belgium	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Bulgaria	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Czech Republic	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Denmark	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Germany	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Estonia	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Ireland	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Greece	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Spain	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
France	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Croatia	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Italy	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Cyprus	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Latvia	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Lithuania	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Luxembourg	X	X	X	X	X	X	X

Calendar year	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027 and the subsequent years
Hungary	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Malta	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Netherlands	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Austria	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Poland	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Portugal	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Romania	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Slovenia	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Slovakia	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Finland	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Sweden	X	X	X	X	X	X	X

Amendment 722

Proposal for a regulation Annex IX – table

Text proposed by the Commission

BREAKDOWN OF UNION SUPPORT FOR TYPES OF INTERVENTIONS FOR RURAL DEVELOPMENT (2021 to 2027) REFERRED TO IN ARTICLE 83(3)

(current prices; in EUR)

Year	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027	TOTAL 2021-2027
Belgium	<i>67 178 046</i>	<i>67 178 046</i>	<i>67 178 046</i>	<i>67 178 046</i>	<i>67 178 046</i>	<i>67 178 046</i>	<i>67 178 046</i>	<i>470 246 322</i>
Bulgaria	<i>281 711 396</i>	<i>281 711 396</i>	<i>281 711 396</i>	<i>281 711 396</i>	<i>281 711 396</i>	<i>281 711 396</i>	<i>281 711 396</i>	<i>1 971 979 772</i>
Czech Republic	<i>258 773 203</i>	<i>258 773 203</i>	<i>258 773 203</i>	<i>258 773 203</i>	<i>258 773 203</i>	<i>258 773 203</i>	<i>258 773 203</i>	<i>1 811 412 421</i>
Denmark	<i>75 812 623</i>	<i>75 812 623</i>	<i>75 812 623</i>	<i>75 812 623</i>	<i>75 812 623</i>	<i>75 812 623</i>	<i>75 812 623</i>	<i>530 688 361</i>
Germany	<i>989 924 996</i>	<i>989 924 996</i>	<i>989 924 996</i>	<i>989 924 996</i>	<i>989 924 996</i>	<i>989 924 996</i>	<i>989 924 996</i>	<i>6 929 474 972</i>
Estonia	<i>87 875 887</i>	<i>87 875 887</i>	<i>87 875 887</i>	<i>87 875 887</i>	<i>87 875 887</i>	<i>87 875 887</i>	<i>87 875 887</i>	<i>615 131 209</i>
Ireland	<i>264 670 951</i>	<i>264 670 951</i>	<i>264 670 951</i>	<i>264 670 951</i>	<i>264 670 951</i>	<i>264 670 951</i>	<i>264 670 951</i>	<i>1 852 696 657</i>
Greece	<i>509 591 606</i>	<i>509 591 606</i>	<i>509 591 606</i>	<i>509 591 606</i>	<i>509 591 606</i>	<i>509 591 606</i>	<i>509 591 606</i>	<i>3 567 141 242</i>
Spain	<i>1 001 202 880</i>	<i>1 001 202 880</i>	<i>1 001 202 880</i>	<i>1 001 202 880</i>	<i>1 001 202 880</i>	<i>1 001 202 880</i>	<i>1 001 202 880</i>	<i>7 008 420 160</i>
France	<i>1 209 259 199</i>	<i>1 209 259 199</i>	<i>1 209 259 199</i>	<i>1 209 259 199</i>	<i>1 209 259 199</i>	<i>1 209 259 199</i>	<i>1 209 259 199</i>	<i>8 464 814 393</i>
Croatia	<i>281 341 503</i>	<i>281 341 503</i>	<i>281 341 503</i>	<i>281 341 503</i>	<i>281 341 503</i>	<i>281 341 503</i>	<i>281 341 503</i>	<i>1 969 390 521</i>
Italy	<i>1 270 310 371</i>	<i>1 270 310 371</i>	<i>1 270 310 371</i>	<i>1 270 310 371</i>	<i>1 270 310 371</i>	<i>1 270 310 371</i>	<i>1 270 310 371</i>	<i>8 892 172 597</i>
Cyprus	<i>15 987 284</i>	<i>15 987 284</i>	<i>15 987 284</i>	<i>15 987 284</i>	<i>15 987 284</i>	<i>15 987 284</i>	<i>15 987 284</i>	<i>111 910 988</i>
Latvia	<i>117 307 269</i>	<i>117 307 269</i>	<i>117 307 269</i>	<i>117 307 269</i>	<i>117 307 269</i>	<i>117 307 269</i>	<i>117 307 269</i>	<i>821 150 883</i>
Lithuania	<i>195 182 517</i>	<i>195 182 517</i>	<i>195 182 517</i>	<i>195 182 517</i>	<i>195 182 517</i>	<i>195 182 517</i>	<i>195 182 517</i>	<i>1 366 277 619</i>
Luxembourg	<i>12 290 956</i>	<i>12 290 956</i>	<i>12 290 956</i>	<i>12 290 956</i>	<i>12 290 956</i>	<i>12 290 956</i>	<i>12 290 956</i>	<i>86 036 692</i>
Hungary	<i>416 202 472</i>	<i>416 202 472</i>	<i>416 202 472</i>	<i>416 202 472</i>	<i>416 202 472</i>	<i>416 202 472</i>	<i>416 202 472</i>	<i>2 913 417 304</i>
Malta	<i>12 207 322</i>	<i>12 207 322</i>	<i>12 207 322</i>	<i>12 207 322</i>	<i>12 207 322</i>	<i>12 207 322</i>	<i>12 207 322</i>	<i>85 451 254</i>
Netherlands	<i>73 151 195</i>	<i>73 151 195</i>	<i>73 151 195</i>	<i>73 151 195</i>	<i>73 151 195</i>	<i>73 151 195</i>	<i>73 151 195</i>	<i>512 058 365</i>
Austria	<i>480 467 031</i>	<i>480 467 031</i>	<i>480 467 031</i>	<i>480 467 031</i>	<i>480 467 031</i>	<i>480 467 031</i>	<i>480 467 031</i>	<i>3 363 269 217</i>
Poland	<i>1 317 890 530</i>	<i>1 317 890 530</i>	<i>1 317 890 530</i>	<i>1 317 890 530</i>	<i>1 317 890 530</i>	<i>1 317 890 530</i>	<i>1 317 890 530</i>	<i>9 225 233 710</i>

Year	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027	TOTAL 2021-2027
Portugal	493 214 858	493 214 858	493 214 858	493 214 858	493 214 858	493 214 858	493 214 858	3 452 504 006
Romania	965 503 339	965 503 339	965 503 339	965 503 339	965 503 339	965 503 339	965 503 339	6 758 523 373
Slovenia	102 248 788	102 248 788	102 248 788	102 248 788	102 248 788	102 248 788	102 248 788	715 741 516
Slovakia	227 682 721	227 682 721	227 682 721	227 682 721	227 682 721	227 682 721	227 682 721	1 593 779 047
Finland	292 021 227	292 021 227	292 021 227	292 021 227	292 021 227	292 021 227	292 021 227	2 044 148 589
Sweden	211 550 876	211 550 876	211 550 876	211 550 876	211 550 876	211 550 876	211 550 876	1 480 856 132
Total EU-27	11 230 561 046	11 230 561 046	11 230 561 046	11 230 561 046	11 230 561 046	11 230 561 046	11 230 561 046	78 613 927 322

Technical assistance (0,25%)	28 146 770	28 146 770	28 146 770	28 146 770	28 146 770	28 146 770	28 146 770	197 027 390
Total	11 258 707 816	11 258 707 816	11 258 707 816	11 258 707 816	11 258 707 816	11 258 707 816	11 258 707 816	78 810 954 712

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BREAKDOWN OF UNION SUPPORT FOR TYPES OF INTERVENTIONS FOR RURAL DEVELOPMENT (2021 to 2027) REFERRED TO IN ARTICLE 83(3)

(current prices; in EUR)

Year	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027	TOTAL 2021-2027
Belgium	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Bulgaria	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X

Year	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027	TOTAL 2021-2027
Czech Republic	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Denmark	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Germany	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Estonia	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Ireland	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Greece	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Spain	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
France	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Croatia	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Italy	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Cyprus	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Latvia	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Lithuania	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Luxembourg	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Hungary	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Malta	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Netherlands	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Austria	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Poland	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Portugal	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Romania	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X

Year	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027	TOTAL 2021-2027
Slovenia	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Slovakia	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Finland	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Sweden	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Total EU-27	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X

Technical assistance (0,25%)	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Total	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X

Amendment 723

Proposal for a regulation Annex IXa – table

Text proposed by the Commission

BREAKDOWN OF UNION SUPPORT FOR TYPES OF INTERVENTIONS FOR RURAL DEVELOPMENT (2021 to 2027) REFERRED TO IN ARTICLE 83(3)

(2018 prices ¹ ; in EUR)								
Year	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027	TOTAL 2021-2027

Year	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027	TOTAL 2021-2027
Belgium	<i>63 303 373</i>	<i>62 062 131</i>	<i>60 845 226</i>	<i>59 652 182</i>	<i>58 482 532</i>	<i>57 335 815</i>	<i>56 211 584</i>	<i>417 892 843</i>
Bulgaria	<i>265 462 940</i>	<i>260 257 785</i>	<i>255 154 691</i>	<i>250 151 658</i>	<i>245 246 723</i>	<i>240 437 964</i>	<i>235 723 494</i>	<i>1 752 435 255</i>
Czech Republic	<i>243 847 768</i>	<i>239 066 440</i>	<i>234 378 862</i>	<i>229 783 198</i>	<i>225 277 645</i>	<i>220 860 437</i>	<i>216 529 840</i>	<i>1 609 744 190</i>
Denmark	<i>71 439 928</i>	<i>70 039 145</i>	<i>68 665 828</i>	<i>67 319 440</i>	<i>65 999 451</i>	<i>64 705 344</i>	<i>63 436 611</i>	<i>471 605 747</i>
Germany	<i>932 828 433</i>	<i>914 537 679</i>	<i>896 605 568</i>	<i>879 025 067</i>	<i>861 789 281</i>	<i>844 891 452</i>	<i>828 324 953</i>	<i>6 158 002 433</i>
Estonia	<i>82 807 411</i>	<i>81 183 737</i>	<i>79 591 899</i>	<i>78 031 273</i>	<i>76 501 248</i>	<i>75 001 224</i>	<i>73 530 611</i>	<i>546 647 403</i>
Ireland	<i>249 405 348</i>	<i>244 515 047</i>	<i>239 720 635</i>	<i>235 020 230</i>	<i>230 411 990</i>	<i>225 894 108</i>	<i>221 464 812</i>	<i>1 646 432 170</i>
Greece	<i>480 199 552</i>	<i>470 783 875</i>	<i>461 552 818</i>	<i>452 502 763</i>	<i>443 630 160</i>	<i>434 931 529</i>	<i>426 403 460</i>	<i>3 170 004 157</i>
Spain	<i>943 455 836</i>	<i>924 956 702</i>	<i>906 820 296</i>	<i>889 039 505</i>	<i>871 607 358</i>	<i>854 517 018</i>	<i>837 761 782</i>	<i>6 228 158 497</i>
France	<i>1 139 511 952</i>	<i>1 117 168 580</i>	<i>1 095 263 314</i>	<i>1 073 787 562</i>	<i>1 052 732 904</i>	<i>1 032 091 083</i>	<i>1 011 854 003</i>	<i>7 522 409 398</i>
Croatia	<i>265 114 382</i>	<i>259 916 061</i>	<i>254 819 668</i>	<i>249 823 204</i>	<i>244 924 709</i>	<i>240 122 264</i>	<i>235 413 984</i>	<i>1 750 134 272</i>
Italy	<i>1 197 041 834</i>	<i>1 173 570 426</i>	<i>1 150 559 241</i>	<i>1 127 999 256</i>	<i>1 105 881 623</i>	<i>1 084 197 670</i>	<i>1 062 938 892</i>	<i>7 902 188 942</i>
Cyprus	<i>15 065 175</i>	<i>14 769 779</i>	<i>14 480 176</i>	<i>14 196 251</i>	<i>13 917 893</i>	<i>13 644 993</i>	<i>13 377 444</i>	<i>99 451 711</i>
Latvia	<i>110 541 260</i>	<i>108 373 784</i>	<i>106 248 808</i>	<i>104 165 498</i>	<i>102 123 037</i>	<i>100 120 625</i>	<i>98 157 475</i>	<i>729 730 487</i>
Lithuania	<i>183 924 845</i>	<i>180 318 475</i>	<i>176 782 819</i>	<i>173 316 489</i>	<i>169 918 127</i>	<i>166 586 399</i>	<i>163 319 999</i>	<i>1 214 167 153</i>
Luxembourg	<i>11 582 043</i>	<i>11 354 944</i>	<i>11 132 298</i>	<i>10 914 018</i>	<i>10 700 017</i>	<i>10 490 213</i>	<i>10 284 523</i>	<i>76 458 056</i>
Hungary	<i>392 196 885</i>	<i>384 506 750</i>	<i>376 967 402</i>	<i>369 575 884</i>	<i>362 329 298</i>	<i>355 224 802</i>	<i>348 259 610</i>	<i>2 589 060 631</i>
Malta	<i>11 503 233</i>	<i>11 277 679</i>	<i>11 056 548</i>	<i>10 839 753</i>	<i>10 627 209</i>	<i>10 418 832</i>	<i>10 214 541</i>	<i>75 937 795</i>
Netherlands	<i>68 932 004</i>	<i>67 580 397</i>	<i>66 255 291</i>	<i>64 956 167</i>	<i>63 682 517</i>	<i>62 433 840</i>	<i>61 209 647</i>	<i>455 049 863</i>
Austria	<i>452 754 814</i>	<i>443 877 269</i>	<i>435 173 793</i>	<i>426 640 974</i>	<i>418 275 464</i>	<i>410 073 985</i>	<i>402 033 318</i>	<i>2 988 829 617</i>
Poland	<i>1 241 877 681</i>	<i>1 217 527 138</i>	<i>1 193 654 057</i>	<i>1 170 249 075</i>	<i>1 147 303 015</i>	<i>1 124 806 877</i>	<i>1 102 751 840</i>	<i>8 198 169 683</i>

Year	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027	TOTAL 2021-2027
Portugal	464 767 377	455 654 291	446 719 893	437 960 679	429 373 215	420 954 132	412 700 130	3 068 129 717
Romania	909 815 361	891 975 844	874 486 121	857 339 335	840 528 760	824 047 803	807 890 003	6 006 083 227
Slovenia	96 351 317	94 462 075	92 609 878	90 793 998	89 013 723	87 268 356	85 557 212	636 056 559
Slovakia	214 550 513	210 343 640	206 219 255	202 175 740	198 211 510	194 325 010	190 514 716	1 416 340 384
Finland	275 178 124	269 782 474	264 492 622	259 306 492	254 222 051	249 237 305	244 350 299	1 816 569 367
Sweden	199 349 116	195 440 310	191 608 147	187 851 124	184 167 769	180 556 636	177 016 310	1 315 989 412
Total EU-27	10 582 808 505	10 375 302 457	10 171 865 154	9 972 416 815	9 776 879 229	9 585 175 716	9 397 231 093	69 861 678 969

Technical assistance (0,25%)	26 523 330	26 003 264	25 493 396	24 993 526	24 503 457	24 022 997	23 551 958	175 091 928
Total	10 609 331 835	10 401 305 721	10 197 358 550	9 997 410 341	9 801 382 686	9 609 198 713	9 420 783 051	70 036 770 897
<p>_____</p> <p>¹ The figures in "2018 prices" are included for information purposes; they are indicative and are not legally binding.</p>								

Amendment

BREAKDOWN OF UNION SUPPORT FOR TYPES OF INTERVENTIONS FOR RURAL DEVELOPMENT (2021 to 2027) REFERRED TO IN ARTICLE 83(3)

(2018 prices¹; in EUR)

Year	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027	TOTAL 2021-2027
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Year	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027	TOTAL 2021-2027
Belgium	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Bulgaria	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Czech Republic	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Denmark	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Germany	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Estonia	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Ireland	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Greece	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Spain	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
France	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Croatia	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Italy	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Cyprus	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Latvia	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Lithuania	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Luxembourg	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Hungary	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Malta	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Netherlands	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Austria	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Poland	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X

Year	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027	TOTAL 2021-2027
Portugal	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Romania	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Slovenia	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Slovakia	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Finland	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Sweden	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Total EU-27	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X

Technical assistance (0,25%)	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Total	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
<hr/> ¹ The figures in "2018 prices" are included for information purposes; they are indicative and are not legally binding.								

Amendment 724

Proposal for a regulation Annex X – table

Text proposed by the Commission

MINIMUM AMOUNTS RESERVED FOR THE OBJECTIVE "ATTRACT YOUNG FARMERS AND FACILITATE BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT" AS REFERRED TO IN ARTICLE

(current prices, in EUR)

Calendar year	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027 and the subsequent years
Belgium	<i>9 712 079</i>	<i>9 712 079</i>	<i>9 712 079</i>	<i>9 712 079</i>	<i>9 712 079</i>	<i>9 712 079</i>	<i>9 712 079</i>
Bulgaria	<i>15 475 439</i>	<i>15 644 780</i>	<i>15 814 121</i>	<i>15 983 462</i>	<i>16 152 803</i>	<i>16 322 144</i>	<i>16 322 144</i>
Czech Republic	<i>16 776 886</i>	<i>16 776 886</i>	<i>16 776 886</i>	<i>16 776 886</i>	<i>16 776 886</i>	<i>16 776 886</i>	<i>16 776 886</i>
Denmark	<i>16 922 490</i>	<i>16 922 490</i>	<i>16 922 490</i>	<i>16 922 490</i>	<i>16 922 490</i>	<i>16 922 490</i>	<i>16 922 490</i>
Germany	<i>96 462 159</i>	<i>96 462 159</i>	<i>96 462 159</i>	<i>96 462 159</i>	<i>96 462 159</i>	<i>96 462 159</i>	<i>96 462 159</i>
Estonia	<i>3 354 430</i>	<i>3 453 356</i>	<i>3 552 281</i>	<i>3 651 206</i>	<i>3 750 131</i>	<i>3 849 057</i>	<i>3 849 057</i>
Ireland	<i>23 278 766</i>	<i>23 278 766</i>	<i>23 278 766</i>	<i>23 278 766</i>	<i>23 278 766</i>	<i>23 278 766</i>	<i>23 278 766</i>
Greece	<i>37 120 578</i>	<i>37 120 578</i>	<i>37 120 578</i>	<i>37 120 578</i>	<i>37 120 578</i>	<i>37 120 578</i>	<i>37 120 578</i>
Spain	<i>94 203 434</i>	<i>94 346 677</i>	<i>94 489 919</i>	<i>94 633 162</i>	<i>94 776 404</i>	<i>94 919 647</i>	<i>94 919 647</i>
France	<i>142 955 739</i>	<i>142 955 739</i>	<i>142 955 739</i>	<i>142 955 739</i>	<i>142 955 739</i>	<i>142 955 739</i>	<i>142 955 739</i>
Croatia	<i>6 886 800</i>	<i>7 354 228</i>	<i>7 354 228</i>	<i>7 354 228</i>	<i>7 354 228</i>	<i>7 354 228</i>	<i>7 354 228</i>
Italy	<i>71 203 710</i>	<i>71 203 710</i>	<i>71 203 710</i>	<i>71 203 710</i>	<i>71 203 710</i>	<i>71 203 710</i>	<i>71 203 710</i>
Cyprus	<i>935 002</i>	<i>935 002</i>	<i>935 002</i>	<i>935 002</i>	<i>935 002</i>	<i>935 002</i>	<i>935 002</i>
Latvia	<i>5 992 672</i>	<i>6 165 893</i>	<i>6 339 113</i>	<i>6 512 334</i>	<i>6 685 555</i>	<i>6 858 775</i>	<i>6 858 775</i>
Lithuania	<i>10 216 405</i>	<i>10 494 645</i>	<i>10 772 885</i>	<i>11 051 125</i>	<i>11 329 365</i>	<i>11 607 604</i>	<i>11 607 604</i>
Luxembourg	<i>642 620</i>	<i>642 620</i>	<i>642 620</i>	<i>642 620</i>	<i>642 620</i>	<i>642 620</i>	<i>642 620</i>
Hungary	<i>24 395 393</i>	<i>24 395 393</i>	<i>24 395 393</i>	<i>24 395 393</i>	<i>24 395 393</i>	<i>24 395 393</i>	<i>24 395 393</i>
Malta	<i>90 150</i>	<i>90 150</i>	<i>90 150</i>	<i>90 150</i>	<i>90 150</i>	<i>90 150</i>	<i>90 150</i>

Calendar year	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027 and the subsequent years
Netherlands	14 077 407	14 077 407	14 077 407	14 077 407	14 077 407	14 077 407	14 077 407
Austria	13 296 391	13 296 391	13 296 391	13 296 391	13 296 391	13 296 391	13 296 391
Poland	59 459 556	60 071 486	60 683 415	61 295 345	61 907 274	62 519 203	62 519 203
Portugal	11 693 003	11 865 375	12 037 746	12 210 118	12 382 490	12 554 862	12 554 862
Romania	37 123 452	37 664 232	38 205 012	38 745 792	39 286 572	39 827 352	39 827 352
Slovenia	2 581 053	2 581 053	2 581 053	2 581 053	2 581 053	2 581 053	2 581 053
Slovakia	7 676 128	7 771 499	7 866 870	7 962 242	8 057 613	8 152 985	8 152 985
Finland	10 119 993	10 155 679	10 191 365	10 227 051	10 262 736	10 298 422	10 298 422
Sweden	13 455 218	13 459 695	13 464 172	13 468 649	13 473 126	13 477 604	13 477 604

Amendment

MINIMUM AMOUNTS RESERVED FOR YOUNG FARMERS AS REFERED IN ARTICLE 86 (4)

(current prices, in EUR)

Calendar year	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027 and the subsequent years
Belgium	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Bulgaria	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Czech Republic	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Denmark	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Germany	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Estonia	X	X	X	X	X	X	X

Calendar year	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027 and the subsequent years
Ireland	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Greece	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Spain	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
France	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Croatia	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Italy	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Cyprus	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Latvia	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Lithuania	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Luxembourg	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Hungary	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Malta	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Netherlands	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Austria	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Poland	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Portugal	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Romania	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Slovenia	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Slovakia	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Finland	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Sweden	X	X	X	X	X	X	X

Amendment 725

Proposal for a regulation Annex IXa a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

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ANNEX IXa a (new)

AMOUNTS OF SUPPORT FOR CERTAIN TYPES OF INTERVENTIONS FOR RURAL DEVELOPMENT

<i>Article</i>	<i>Subject matter</i>	<i>Minimum/maximum amounts in Eur or rates</i>	
<i>Article 65</i>	<i>Aid for Agri-environmental sustainability, climate mitigation and adaption measures and other management commitments</i>	<i>600(*)</i>	<i>Maximum per ha per year for annual crops</i>
		<i>900(*)</i>	<i>Maximum per ha per year for specialised perennial crops</i>
		<i>450(*)</i>	<i>Maximum per ha per year for other</i>

<i>Article</i>	<i>Subject matter</i>	<i>Minimum/maximum amounts in Eur or rates</i>	
			<i>land uses</i>
		<i>200(*)</i>	<i>Maximum per livestock unit ("LU") per year for local breeds in danger of being lost to farmers</i>
		<i>500</i>	<i>Maximum per LU for actions promoting animal welfare</i>
		<i>200(*)</i>	<i>Maximum per ha per year for actions consisting of forest, environmental and climate services and forest conservation</i>
<i>Article 66</i>	<i>Aid for Natural or other area-specific constraints</i>	<i>25</i>	<i>Minimum per ha per year on average of the area of the beneficiary receiving support</i>
		<i>250(*)</i>	<i>Maximum per ha per year</i>
		<i>450(*)</i>	<i>Maximum per ha per year in mountain areas as defined in Article 32(2) of Regulation (EU) 1305/2013.</i>
<i>Article 67</i>	<i>Aid for Area-specific disadvantages resulting from certain mandatory requirements</i>	<i>500(*)</i>	<i>Maximum per ha per year during the initial period not exceeding five years</i>
		<i>200(*)</i>	<i>Maximum per ha per year</i>
		<i>50(**)</i>	<i>Minimum per ha per year for Water Framework Directive payments</i>
<i>Article 68</i>	<i>Aid for Investments</i>	<i>55%</i>	<i>Maximum rate of the amount of the eligible costs. This rate may be exceeded according to Article 68(4).</i>

<i>Article</i>	<i>Subject matter</i>	<i>Minimum/maximum amounts in Eur or rates</i>	
<i>Article 68a</i>	<i>Aid for investments in irrigation</i>	<i>75%</i>	<i>Maximum rate of the amount of the eligible costs</i>
<i>Article 69</i>	<i>Aid for installation of young farmers, new farmers, sustainable rural business start-up and development</i>	<i>100 000</i>	<i>Maximum per beneficiary</i>
<i>Article 69a</i>	<i>Aid for installation of digital technologies</i>	<i>70%</i>	<i>Maximum rate of the amount of the eligible costs</i>
<i>Article 70</i>	<i>Aid for risk management tools</i>	<i>70%</i>	<i>Maximum rate of the amount of the eligible costs.</i>
<i>Article 71</i>	<i>Cooperation: Aid for quality schemes for agricultural products and foodstuffs;</i>	<i>3 000</i>	<i>Maximum per holding per year</i>
		<i>70%</i>	<i>Of the eligible costs of information and promotion actions</i>
	<i>Cooperation: Aid for setting up producer groups and organisations</i>	<i>10 %</i>	<i>As a percentage of marketed production during the first five years following recognition. The aid shall be degressive.</i>
		<i>100 000</i>	<i>Maximum amount per year in all cases</i>
<i>Article 72</i>	<i>Aid for advisory services</i>	<i>1 500</i>	<i>Maximum amount per advice</i>
		<i>200 000</i>	<i>Maximum amount per three years for the training of advisors</i>
	<i>Aid for other knowledge exchange and information services</i>	<i>100%</i>	<i>Maximum rate of the amount of the eligible costs</i>

() These amounts may be increased in duly substantiated cases taking into account specific circumstances to be justified in the rural development programmes.*

*(**) This amount may be decreased in duly substantiated cases taking into account specific circumstances to be justified in the rural development programmes.*

Amendment 726

Proposal for a regulation

Annex XII – table

Text proposed by the Commission

Objectives	Core set of indicators
Support viable farm income and resilience across the Union to enhance food security;	O.3 Number of CAP support beneficiaries
	R.6 Redistribution to smaller farms: Percentage additional support per hectare for eligible farms below average farm size (compared to average)
Enhance market orientation and increase competitiveness, including through a greater focus on and uptake of research, innovative solutions, technology and digitalisation;	R.9 Farm modernisation: Share of farmers receiving investment support to restructure and modernise, including to improve resource efficiency

Objectives	Core set of indicators
Improve the farmers' position in the value chain;	R.10 Better supply chain organisation: Share of farmers participating in supported Producer Groups, Producer Organisations, local markets, short supply chain circuits and quality schemes
Contribute to climate change mitigation and adaptation, as well as sustainable energy;	R.14 Carbon storage in soils and biomass: Share of agricultural land under commitments to reducing emissions, maintaining and/or enhancing carbon storage (permanent grassland, agricultural land in peatland, forest, etc.)
Foster sustainable development and efficient management of natural resources such as water, soil and air;	O.13 Number of ha (agricultural) covered by environment/climate commitments going beyond mandatory requirements
	R.4 Linking income support to standards and good practices: Share of UAA covered by income support and subject to conditionality
Contribute to the protection of biodiversity, enhance ecosystem services and preserve habitats and landscapes;	R.27 Preserving habitats and species: Share of agricultural land under management commitments supporting biodiversity conservation or restoration
Attract young farmers and facilitate business development;	R.30 Generational renewal: Number of young farmers setting up a farm with support from the CAP

Objectives	Core set of indicators
Promote employment, growth, social inclusion and local development in rural areas, including bio-economy and sustainable forestry;	R.31 Growth and jobs in rural areas: New jobs in supported projects
	R.34 Connecting rural Europe: Share of rural population benefitting from improved access to services and infrastructure through CAP support
Improve the response of EU agriculture to societal demands on food and health, including safe, nutritious and sustainable food, as well as animal welfare.	O.16 Number of livestock units covered by support for animal welfare, health or increased biosecurity measures

Amendment

Objectives	Core set of indicators
Support viable farm income and resilience across the Union to enhance food security;	O.3 Number of CAP support beneficiaries, <i>including a breakdown per type of intervention</i>
	R.6 Redistribution to smaller farms: Percentage additional support per hectare for eligible farms below average farm size (compared to average)

Objectives	Core set of indicators
Enhance market orientation and increase competitiveness, including through a greater focus on and uptake of research, innovative solutions, technology and digitalisation;	R.9 Farm modernisation: Share of farmers receiving investment support to restructure and modernise, including to improve resource efficiency
Improve the farmers' position in the value chain;	R.10 Better supply chain organisation: Share of farmers participating in supported Producer Groups, Producer Organisations, local markets, short supply chain circuits and quality schemes
Contribute to climate change mitigation and adaptation, as well as sustainable energy;	R.14 Carbon storage in soils and biomass: Share of agricultural land under commitments to reducing emissions, maintaining and/or enhancing carbon storage (permanent grassland, agricultural land in <i>wetland</i> peatland, forest, etc.)
Foster sustainable development and efficient management of natural resources such as water, soil and air;	O.13 Number of ha (agricultural) <i>and number of other units</i> covered by environment/climate commitments going beyond mandatory requirements, <i>including eco-scheme</i>
	R.4 Linking income support to standards and good practices: Share of UAA covered by income support and subject to conditionality

Objectives	Core set of indicators
Contribute to the protection of biodiversity, enhance ecosystem services and preserve habitats and landscapes;	R.27 Preserving habitats and species: Share of agricultural land under management commitments supporting biodiversity conservation or restoration, <i>including HNV farmland</i>
Attract young farmers and facilitate business development;	R.30 Generational renewal: Number of young farmers <i>and new farmers</i> setting up a farm with support from the CAP, <i>including a gender breakdown</i>
Promote employment, growth, social inclusion and local development in rural areas, including bio-economy and sustainable forestry;	R.31 Growth and jobs in rural areas: New jobs in supported projects, <i>including a gender breakdown</i>
	R.34 Connecting rural Europe: Share of rural population benefitting from improved access to services and infrastructure through CAP support
Improve the response of EU agriculture to societal demands on food and health, including safe, nutritious and sustainable food, as well as animal welfare.	O.16 Number of livestock units covered by support for animal welfare, health or increased biosecurity measures

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

The proposed reform of the European Commission's Common Agricultural Policy (CAP) involves a radical and unprecedented paradigm shift, as it plans to move from a purely prescriptive system based on a complex framework of rules for eligibility to one based on achieving concrete results, with a strong environmental component, in which a wide berth of subsidiarity is granted to the member states to meet their particular needs. The European Commission will no longer control the management of CAP subsidies on the ground and will focus on monitoring the level of compliance with the targets set by the member states based on specific shared objectives. Simplification is one of the motivations for the proposal, according to the European Commission, as well as lessening the administrative burden for the states and beneficiaries.

The new CAP model implies the merger of the so-called "first" and "second" pillars into a single regulation, as well as its incorporation of a substantial part of the Common Market Organisation (CMO) of agricultural products, all within the more global perspective of the new national strategic plans.

The redistribution of CAP subsidies, modernisation, innovation and especially an agriculture that is more committed to the environment are at the heart of the reform.

The way I see it, this is a project heavily influenced by the threat of budget cuts that the European Union is experiencing as a result of the United Kingdom's exit, and probably also as a result of other political priorities.

When I was writing my draft parliamentary report, negotiations were under way over the new multi-annual financial framework for the period 2021-2027, so it is good that the European Parliament's Committee on Agriculture calls for keeping the CAP's budgetary allocation at least at the same level as in the current programming period. European governments must be reminded of the important role that this policy plays as an engine of many rural areas and in guaranteeing a high level of food quality, safety and sufficiency for European consumers.

Many members of our parliamentary committee have expressed their concern about the heavy burden of subsidiarity in the proposal, evoking the fearsome spectre of renationalisation. Hence the importance of the exercise that we will have to perform in the European Parliament in the coming months, with a view to rewording the text on the table to strengthen certain common elements of the CAP. However, I believe that we must strike a proper balance between the establishment of this common framework and the need to grant the member states leeway to adapt the EU's rules to their particular domestic situations. With no intention to question the philosophy of the new model, which seems to accept a greater part of the sectors and governments involved, one of the guiding threads of my report is the achievement of a solid body of European Union rules that thwart the risk of distortions of competition between farmers in different parts of the member states or regions.

Paradoxically, the European Commission proposes to build a more simplified policy while raising a new model that will involve complexity, at least for the first few years. Designing and managing the new strategic plans will not be easy, which is why I propose postponing their implementation until 2023. This would also prevent delays in paying producers.

Member states may encounter many problems in meeting their targets linked to ambitious environmental, economic and social objectives. It seems quite clear that the strategic plans will resemble pilot projects to some degree in the first few years, and they may need to be improved over time. However, the member states will be required to reduce the administrative burden for farmers. In principle, this should be able to happen thanks to the widespread use of satellite data collection.

In addition to the change of model, there are several innovative parts to the proposal, such as the introduction of a new ecological regime within the chapter on decoupled subsidies, which seems to respond to growing pressure to bestow the CAP with environmental legitimacy. We will have to examine this regime within the context of proposal's entire new green architecture, which also provides for strengthened conditionality and maintenance of agro-environmental and climatic measures that have thus far been considered a "second pillar" of the CAP. Furthermore, the environmental ambition of the Rural Development measures would increase considerably by excluding areas with natural limitations from calculating 30 per cent of the EAFRD funds that will have to be linked to commitments related to the environment and the struggle against climate change.

To prevent the new ecological regime from having a significant effect on producers' income, I propose that it cover the maintenance of certain practices that are beneficial for conserving rural areas in order to cover as many beneficiaries as possible. This scheme must also be allowed to be fully complementary to the agro-environmental and climatic measures taken as part of Rural Development efforts. At the next parliamentary debate, I hope that we can show the important environmental role played by areas with natural limitations and I hope that the final decision will be against their exclusion from the 30 per cent calculation, also bearing in mind that the same European Commission proposal and the assessment of its impact contain elements that contradict the basis for this exclusion.

I also think that the performance bonus proposed by the Commission indirectly forms part of the environmental architecture of the proposal. In reality, this bonus does not entail a boost in funds for the countries that get the best results, as one might think at first glance. Instead, the bonus results in a penalty for countries that do not reach it. I suggest removing it in my report, as the new model already provides for financial penalties for countries that do not meet the established targets.

Another pillar of the new model is the redistribution of CAP subsidies. Here, the Commission proposes reducing the funds received by larger farms and introducing a mandatory redistributive payment that would benefit small and medium-sized farms. In my dealings with the various players involved in the reform, I have found that many say that the "capping" measures proposed by the Commission do not take into account the different productive structures existing in the member states, which would lead to a very disparate impact from one country to another. My amendments are intended to respond to that concern by suggesting an *à la carte* solution that is better adjusted to the situation in each country. As for redistributive payments, the Commission has neglected key aspects that I think should be reflected in the basic act, if for no other purpose than to establish common criteria for redistributing CAP subsidies.

In accordance with the proposal, national strategic plans will have to contribute to achieving the new specific objectives that form the bases for the various impact, results and

implementation indicators put forward by the European Commission to monitor the level of fulfilment of the targets set by each country. I am told that it is not introducing significant changes into the Commission's proposal in terms of the objectives and indicators. This is so as not to further complicate the implementation of strategic plans, although I have wished to supplement these objectives and indicators in order to emphasise, above all, the issue of depopulation and the need to improve women's participation in the rural economy.

Beyond any objective, the new model must guarantee the continuation of adequate income for the European agricultural population, a requirement which cannot be separated from environmental ambition. An insufficient income would have a negative impact on farmers' commitment to protecting their environment. I therefore consider that, in order to be sustainable, the basic income payments must have a significant influence on the combination of the payments made directly to producers, and I propose that a minimum amount of the national pay packets awarded directly are directed to this support.

With regard to the difficult chapter on definitions, among which the definition of genuine farmers stands out, I hope that the parliamentary debate clarifies some essential aspects. Some definitions proposed by the Commission are not sufficiently clear, such as 'permanent pasture'. This does not take into account the definition agreed upon just two years ago with the aim of revising the texts of the CAP for the purpose of a mid-term review within the context of the Omnibus Regulation. The new definition does not duly cover the different circumstances of the Member States, particularly the reality of Mediterranean pastures, and especially meadows.

The payments related to production also constitute an important matter in the debate. I am aware of the degree to which these payments are necessary for holdings, which present a fragile situation in environmental and economic terms and, especially, for landless livestock farmers, who cannot receive CAP payments through other means. I propose keeping the quota of direct payments combined, while welcoming the European Commission's proposal to grant Member States the option of dedicating up to 3% of the direct payment packages to implementing the new sectoral interventions, which may equally contribute to combatting the difficulties facing some types of production.

With regard to young farmers, although the generational renewal falls within the objective of the new regulation, there are no significant changes in the support tools currently included in the Commission's proposal. If the objective is to strengthen the revitalisation of rural areas, I believe that it is within our means to improve the common eligibility criteria, putting young people first, but also boosting support for new farmers, regardless of age, as well as promoting women's participation in the economy of rural areas.

In the chapter on Rural Development, the proposed cut to funding is very concerning, as is the reduction of European co-financing rate by 10%. The Commission forgets the liquidity problems phased by some European countries and regions, which have an impact on the level of implementation of programmes, which may get worse if these cuts go ahead.

In general terms, the new chapter on Rural Development proposed by the European Commission is notably lacking in content on the role, in comparison with the current regulation, giving more flexibility to Member States to design their interventions. Although in

principle a certain degree of flexibility is necessary, I believe that the text must be supplemented, better identifying who will benefit, and establishing a maximum payment cap common to all Member States for the various interventions.

Lastly, I would like to highlight that we are dealing with a proposal with a broad scope and which is of great importance for the European countryside, at a crucial moment of change for the future of the European Union, and I believe that the European Parliament has an important role to play in this reform. I therefore wish to demonstrate my firm intention to work to achieve substantial progress in debates during this parliamentary term.

04.04.2019

OPINION OF THE COMMISSION ON THE ENVIRONMENT, PUBLIC HEALTH AND FOOD SAFETY

for the Committee on Agriculture and Rural Development

on the proposal for a regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council Establishing rules on support for strategic plans to be drawn up by Member States under the Common agricultural policy (CAP Strategic Plans) and financed by the European Agricultural Guarantee Fund (EAGF) and by the European Agricultural Fund for Rural Development (EAFRD) and repealing Regulation (EU) No 1305/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council and Regulation (EU) No 1307/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council
(COM(2018)0392 – C8-0248/2018 – 2018/0216(COD))

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SHORT JUSTIFICATION

Over the last years, the CAP has been the subject of a significant reform process. This phase has been of fundamental importance in shaping the future of the biggest European policy, but unfortunately has not been able to properly address the major challenges ahead of us. The CAP has to ensure essential public goods to our community: food security, sustainable growth, and offer a concrete response to the environmental and climate crisis. For guaranteeing these goals, it has to adequately support farmers' income, and the level of employment in the agricultural sector, especially in rural areas.

In order to do so, is of utmost importance that the CAP maintains the same level of financing in the next Multiannual Financial Framework. After the Brexit and other global emergencies that need a stronger support from the EU budget, I do understand the necessity of funding new policies, but this should not be detrimental to the one and traditional EU Common policy, from which new and challenging tasks are demanded over the decades.

The new Commission proposal introduces a new model, based on nine objectives and puts emphasis on the environmental and climate change related policy goals. I propose to modify two of the nine objectives, to make them more consistent with the current environmental legislation. The proposal defines a new paradigm, with more flexibility left to the Member States through their Strategic Plans, and a shift towards a more performance-based policy.

But even though I welcome the new enhanced conditionality, and the potential of the mandatory eco-scheme, which could reward those farmers who make a concrete contribution towards the EU climate and environmental objectives and national targets, this new proposal leaves, in my opinion, a lot of discretion for the Member States in the resource spending and in setting the level of ambition. This could unfortunately lead to a situation in which we have 27 agricultural policies, thus losing the common “soul” of the CAP. That is why I intend to strengthen the common aspects of the proposal, adding some elements to the basic act, and lowering the discretionality of the Member States. Of course, I consider a certain degree of flexibility to be positive, and in compliance with the subsidiarity principle, but we should not let Member States shape the agricultural future taking different directions, and treating farmers in complete different ways for their identical job and activities.

In addition, the new performance-oriented CAP requires a strong framework able to allow properly assessing and monitoring the policy’s performance, in relation to the specific objectives set in each Member State. In this exercise, we should be very careful, avoiding loopholes, and thus guarantee a strong accountability of the expenses and the results.

Moreover, the proposal foresees as well a certain level of flexibility to the Member States for transfers between allocations, up to 15% of the direct payments can be transferred to EAFRD allocation and vice versa, and a higher percentage can be transferred only from the first to the second pillar for interventions addressing environmental and climate objectives. I consider more efficient to allow the transfers only from the first to the second pillar.

We should always bear in mind that the challenge of the future will not only be to produce larger amounts of safe and high-quality agricultural products, but to produce food more efficiently and sustainably whilst ensuring our farmers competitiveness, and therefore providing them a fair economic compensation for the environmental services they supply to the community. In this direction, I welcome the focus on young people. I strongly believe that young people must be at the centre of the CAP post 2020: without a stronger action in this direction, European agriculture-and not only- is without a future.

In conclusion, I would like to underline that we are called to decide at a time when this Parliament is heading towards the end of its term. We obviously have the intention to close the pending legislative work, including this important piece of legislation, despite the limited time available and the lack of knowledge of the resources that will be available to the CAP in the new Multiannual Financial Framework, considering the ongoing negotiations. Defining the details of such a policy, without knowing the exact amount of resources available, is not an easy task. For these reasons, it seems appropriate to me to postpone the date of entry into force of this regulation to 2023, in order to allow a smooth transition from the current CAP to the new model of the future.

AMENDMENTS

The Committee on the Environment, Public Health and Food Safety 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 1 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(1a) The CAP continues to play a key role in the development of the European Union’s rural areas and the level of self-sufficiency of Union citizens is to a large

extent dependent on it. It is therefore necessary to attempt to slow down the gradual abandonment of agricultural activity by keeping a CAP that is strong, with adequate resources, to mitigate the depopulation of rural areas and to continue meeting consumer expectations in terms of the environment, food safety and animal welfare. In view of the challenges faced by Union producers in responding to new regulatory requirements and a higher level of environmental ambition, against a background of price volatility and Union borders that are more open to imports from third countries, it is appropriate to keep the CAP budget at least at the same level as during the 2014-2020 period.

Amendment 3

Proposal for a regulation

Recital 2

Text proposed by the Commission

(2) Since the CAP needs to sharpen its responses to the challenges and opportunities as they manifest themselves at Union, international, national, regional, local and farm levels, it is necessary to 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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and needs, tailoring the support to maximise the contribution to Union objectives.

Justification

Simplification must be made to work for the farmer while maintaining a common policy.

Amendment 4

Proposal for a regulation

Recital 3

Text proposed by the Commission

(3) The use of common definitions entirely set at Union level has caused certain difficulties for Member States to cater their own specificities at national, regional, and local level. Member States should therefore be given **the** flexibility to specify certain definitions in their CAP Strategic Plan. In order to ensure a common level playing field, a certain framework has, however, to be set at Union level constituting the necessary essential elements to be included in those definitions ('framework definitions').

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Justification

Member States should have some degree of flexibility in the implementation of measures, but this must not jeopardise the communality of the policy. The CAP must be based on common EU rules.

Amendment 5

Proposal for a regulation

Recital 5

Text proposed by the Commission

(5) In order to retain the **essential** Union-wide elements to ensure comparability between Member State decisions, without however limiting

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Member States in reaching Union objectives, a framework definition for ‘agricultural area’ should be set out. The related framework definitions for ‘arable land’, ‘permanent crops’ and ‘permanent grassland’ should be set out in a broad way to allow Member States to further specify definitions according to their local conditions. The framework definition for ‘arable land’ should be laid down in a way that allows Member States to cover different production forms, including system such as agroforestry and arable areas with shrubs and trees and that requires the inclusion of fallow land areas in order to ensure the decoupled nature of the interventions. The framework definition of ‘permanent crops’ should include both areas actually used for production and not, as well as nurseries and short rotation coppice to be defined by Member States. The framework definition of ‘permanent grassland’ should be set in a way that allows Member States to specify further criteria and allows them to include species other than grasses or other herbaceous forage that can be grazed or that may produce animal feed, whether used for actual production or not.

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Justification

The protection of permanent grasslands in certain areas are dependent on traditional practices, many low input permeant pastures are essential forage areas for pollinators.

Amendment 6

Proposal for a regulation

Recital 6

Text proposed by the Commission

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Amendment 7

Proposal for a regulation Recital 9

Text proposed by the Commission

(9) In view of further improving the performance of the CAP, income support should be targeted to genuine farmers. In order to ensure a common approach at Union level for such a targeting of support, a framework definition for ‘genuine farmer’ displaying the essential elements should be set out. On the basis of this framework, Member States should define in their CAP Strategic Plans which farmers are not considered genuine farmers based on conditions such as income tests, labour inputs on the farm, company object and inclusion in registers. It should also not result in precluding support to pluri-active farmers, who are actively farming but who are also engaged in non-agricultural activities outside their farm, as their multiple activities often strengthen the socio-economic fabric of rural areas.

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Amendment 8

Proposal for a regulation Recital 10

Text proposed by the Commission

(10) In order to ensure consistency between **the** direct **payments** types of interventions and rural development types of interventions when addressing the objective of generational renewal, a framework definition for ‘young farmer’ with the essential elements should be set out at Union level.

Amendment

(10) In order to ensure consistency between direct **payment** types of interventions and rural development types of interventions when addressing the objective of generational renewal **which is of critical importance**, a framework definition for ‘young farmer’ with the essential **broad** elements should be set out at Union level, **which should not be restrictive in order to facilitate new entrants into agriculture and reflect the realities on the ground in the Member States**.

Justification

Previous support schemes on this topic were too restrictive and resulted in excluding young farmers from support.

Amendment 9

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 10 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(10a) It is essential for the future of Europe and the planet that the Union urgently phases out agricultural support for farmers who do not pursue environmentally and climatically sustainable operations.

Justification

Europas skattebetalare ska inte sponsra verksamhet som bidrar till klimatet och miljöns förstörelse. Därför är det viktigt att jordbruksfonden och fonden för landsbygdsutveckling belönar de verksamheter som säkrar vår mat tillgång på ett ekologiskt hållbart sätt. Planeten står inför en klimatkris, där vi på en europeisk nivå har stora möjligheter att göra skillnad. Samtidigt finns det många lant- och jordbrukare som tar stort ansvar för miljö och klimat - men dom behöver bli fler. Europa ska gå före i både klimat och miljöfrågan och bör därför snarast fasa ut jordbruksstöd till verksamheter som inte bidrar till den målsättningen. Den gemensamma jordbrukspolitiken bör bemöta medborgarnas oro när det gäller hållbar jordbruksproduktion, samtidigt som man tar hänsyn till jordbrukarnas svårigheter att

förutsäga produktion och efterfrågan. Därför bör stödet bibehållas, men gå till hållbar produktion.

Amendment 10

Proposal for a regulation

Recital 11

Text proposed by the Commission

(11) In order to give substance to the objectives of the CAP as established by Article 39 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union (TFEU), as well as to ensure that the Union adequately addresses its most recent challenges, it is appropriate to provide for a set of general objectives reflecting the orientations given in the Communication on ‘The Future of Food and Farming’. A set of specific objectives should be further defined at Union level and applied by the Member States in their CAP Strategic Plans. ***While striking*** a balance across the dimensions of sustainable development, ***in line with the impact assessment, these*** specific objectives should translate the general objectives of the CAP into more concrete priorities and take into account relevant Union legislation, particularly with regard to climate, energy and environment.

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Amendment 11

Proposal for a regulation

Recital 12

Text proposed by the Commission

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Amendment 12

Proposal for a regulation Recital 13 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(13a) Horizontal principles as set out in Article 3 of the Treaty on the European Union ('TEU') and in Article 10 of the TFEU, including principles of subsidiarity and proportionality as set out in Article 5 of the TEU should be respected in the implementation of CAP Strategic plans. Member States and the Commission should aim at eliminating inequalities and at promoting equality between men and women and integrating the gender perspective, as well as at combating discrimination based on sex, racial or ethnic origin, religion or belief, disability, age or sexual orientation. The Funds should not support actions that contribute to any form of segregation, discrimination or exclusion. The objectives of the Funds should be pursued in the framework of sustainable development and in line with the Aarhus Convention and the Union's promotion of the aim of preserving, protecting and improving the quality of the environment and combating climate change as set out in Article 11 and Article 191(1) of the TFEU, while applying the polluter pays principle.

Amendment 13

Proposal for a regulation Recital 13 b (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(13b) The delivery model should not lead to a situation in which we have 27 different national agricultural policies, thus endangering the common spirit of the CAP and creating distortions. It should leave to Member States a certain degree of flexibility within a strong common regulatory framework.

Amendment 14

Proposal for a regulation Recital 14

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

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Amendment 15

Proposal for a regulation Recital 15

Text proposed by the Commission

(15) In the context of greater market-orientation of the CAP, as outlined by the Communication on ‘The Future of Food and Farming’, market exposure, climate change and associated frequency and severity of extreme weather events, as well as sanitary and phytosanitary crises, may lead to risks of price volatility and increasing pressures on incomes. Thus, although farmers are ultimately responsible for designing their on-farm strategies, a robust framework should be set up to ensure appropriate risk management. To this aim, Member States and farmers may be able to draw on a Union-level platform on risk management for capacity-building in order to provide farmers with adequate financial instruments for investments and access to working capital, training, knowledge transfer and advice.

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Amendment 16

Proposal for a regulation

Recital 16

Text proposed by the Commission

(16) ***Bolstering*** environmental ***care and*** climate action and contributing to the achievement of Union environmental- and climate-related objectives is a very high priority in the future of Union agriculture and forestry. The architecture of the CAP should therefore reflect greater ambition with respect to these objectives. By virtue of the delivery model, action taken to tackle environmental degradation and climate change should be result-driven and Article 11 TFEU should, for this purpose,

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be considered as an obligation of result.

As many rural areas in the Union suffer from structural problems such as lack of attractive employment opportunities, skill shortages, underinvestment in connectivity, infrastructures and essential services, as well as youth drain, it is fundamental to strengthen the socio-economic fabric in those areas, in line with the Cork 2.0 Declaration, particularly through job creation and generational renewal, by bringing the Commission's jobs and growth to rural areas, promoting social inclusion, generational renewal and the development of 'Smart Villages' across the European countryside. As indicated in the Communication on 'The Future of Food and Farming', new rural value chains such as renewable energy, the emerging bio-economy, the circular economy, and ecotourism can offer good growth and job potential for rural areas. In this context, financial instruments and the use of the InvestEU guarantee can play a crucial role for ensuring access to financing and for bolstering the growth capacity of farms and enterprises. There is a potential for employment opportunities in rural areas for legally staying third country nationals, promoting their social and economic integration especially in the framework of Community-led Local Development strategies.

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Amendment 17

Proposal for a regulation

Recital 17

Text proposed by the Commission

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Amendment 18

Proposal for a regulation Recital 17 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(17a) In line with the commitment to the 2030 Agenda and the Paris Agreement, and with the conclusions of the International Assessment of Agricultural Knowledge, Science and Technology for Development, as well as the recommendations of the UN Special Rapporteur on the right to food, the Union and its Member States should transition to a sustainable European food and agriculture system. The pathway for this transition should focus on promoting diversified, sustainable and resilient agricultural practices that contribute to protecting and enhancing natural resources, reinforcing ecosystems and to climate change adaptation and mitigation, through adjusting livestock production to ecological carrying capacities, minimising dependence on unsustainable inputs including fossil energies and progressively improving biodiversity and soil quality.

Amendment 19

Proposal for a regulation Recital 17 b (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(17b) While the One Health Action Plan against antimicrobial resistance considers vaccination as a cost-effective public health intervention to combat AMR, the relatively higher cost of diagnosis, antimicrobial alternatives and vaccination compared with conventional antibiotics are an obstacle to increasing the vaccination rate of animals.

Amendment 20

Proposal for a regulation Recital 17 c (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(17c) In order to meet the environmental objectives of the CAP but also societal requirements in terms of increased food safety, the use of fertilising products with very low levels of heavy metals should be promoted.

Justification

The newly adopted EU fertilisers regulation amending Regulations (EC) No 1069/2009 and No 1107/2009 shall contain several provisions on labelling concerning heavy metals such as cadmium and arsenic, in particular in phosphates. The labelling will allow farmers to have a full knowledge of the amount of contaminants present in the fertilising products they use. Such labelling provisions should promote a more sustainable agriculture in line with the greening objectives of the CAP and the promotion of high-quality standards in the EU.

Amendment 21

Proposal for a regulation Recital 21

(21) Building on the previous system of cross-compliance implemented until 2020, the system of new conditionality links full receipt of CAP support to the compliance by beneficiaries of basic standards concerning the environment, climate change, public health, animal health, plant health and animal welfare. The basic standards encompass in a streamlined form a list of statutory management requirements (SMRs) and standards of good agricultural and environmental conditions of land (GAECs). These basic standards should better take into account the environmental and climate challenges and the new environmental architecture of the CAP, thus delivering a higher level of environmental and climate ambition as the Commission announced in its Communications on the ‘Future of Food and Farming’ and the Multiannual Financial Framework (MFF). Conditionality aims to contribute to the development of sustainable agriculture through better awareness on the part of beneficiaries of the need to respect those basic standards. It also aims to make the CAP more compatible with the expectations of society through improving consistency of the policy with the environment, public health, animal health, plant health and animal welfare objectives. Conditionality should form an integral part of the environmental architecture of the CAP, as part of the baseline for more ambitious environmental and climate commitments, and should be comprehensively applied across the Union. For those farmers who do not comply with those requirements, Member States should ensure that proportionate, effective and dissuasive penalties are applied in accordance with [the HZR Regulation].

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accordance with [the HZR Regulation].

Amendment 22

Proposal for a regulation

Recital 22

Text proposed by the Commission

(22) The framework of standards of GAECs aims to contribute to the mitigation and adaptation to climate change, the tackling of water challenges, the protection and quality of soil and the protection and quality of biodiversity. The framework needs to be enhanced to take into account in particular the practices set until 2020 under the greening of direct payments, the mitigation of climate change and the need to improve farms sustainability, and in particular the nutrients management. It is acknowledged that each GAEC contributes to multiple objectives. In order to implement the framework, Member States should define a national standard for each of the standards set at Union level taking into account the specific characteristics of the area concerned, including soil and climatic conditions, existing farming conditions, land use, crop rotation, farming practices and farm structures. Member States may also define in addition other national standards related to the main objectives laid down in Annex III in order to improve the environmental and climate delivery of the GAEC framework. As part of GAEC framework, in order to support both the agronomic and the environmental performance of farms, nutrient management plans will be established with the help of a dedicated electronic Farm Sustainability Tool made available by the Member States to individual farmers. The tool should provide on-farm decision support starting from minimum nutrient management functionalities. A wide interoperability and modularity should also

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ensure the possibility to add other electronic on-farm and e-governance applications. In order to ensure a level playing field between farmers and across the Union, the Commission may provide support to the Member States in the design of the Tool as well as with the data storage and processing services required.

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Amendment 23

Proposal for a regulation Recital 22 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(22a) While agricultural plastic products constitute a low percentage of the overall amount of plastic used and plastic waste generated, their use is concentrated geographically. Moreover, categories of agricultural plastic products have a very homogeneous composition, rendering the waste stream very valuable to the recycler. The problem of agricultural plastic waste should be addressed in the CAP Strategic Plans proposal and the European Commission should, as appropriate, introduce a new GAEC standard for good agricultural and environmental condition of land on plastic waste as a new element of enhanced conditionality in the mid-term, by 2023. Under the new cross-compliance requirement, farmers would be bound to use an authorised waste management business to arrange collection and recycling of plastic, and keep evidence that plastic waste was handled correctly.

Amendment 24

Proposal for a regulation Recital 23

Text proposed by the Commission

(23) SMRs need to be fully implemented by Member States in order to become operational at farm level and ensure equal treatment of farmers. To ensure the consistency of the rules on conditionality in enhancing the sustainability of the policy, SMRs should encompass main Union legislation on environment, public health, animal health, plant health and animal welfare which implementation at national level imply precise obligations on individual farmers, including obligations under Council Directive 92/43/EEC¹¹ and Directive 2009/147/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council¹² or Council Directive 91/676/EEC.¹³ In order to follow up on the joint statement made by the European Parliament and the Council as annexed to Regulation (EU) No 1306/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council,¹⁴ the relevant provisions of Directive 2000/60/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council¹⁵ and Directive 2009/128/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council¹⁶ are included as SMRs into the scope of conditionality and the list of GAEC standards is adapted accordingly.

¹¹ Council Directive 92/43/EEC of 21 May 1992 on the conservation of natural habitats and of wild fauna and flora (OJ L 206, 22.7.1992, p. 7).

Amendment

(23) SMRs need to be fully implemented by Member States in order to become operational at farm level and ensure equal treatment of farmers. To ensure the consistency of the rules on conditionality in enhancing the sustainability of the policy, SMRs should encompass main Union legislation on environment, public health, animal health, plant health and animal welfare which implementation at national level imply precise obligations on individual farmers, including obligations under Council Directive 92/43/EEC¹¹ and Directive 2009/147/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council¹² or Council Directive 91/676/EEC.¹³ In order to follow up on the joint statement made by the European Parliament and the Council as annexed to Regulation (EU) No 1306/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council,¹⁴ the relevant provisions of Directive 2000/60/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council¹⁵ and Directive 2009/128/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council¹⁶ are included as SMRs into the scope of conditionality, ***as well as under Directive [Directive XXX of the European Parliament and of the Council on the reduction of the impact of certain plastic products on the environment] and Regulation (EU) 2019/6 of the European Parliament and of the Council^{16a}*** and the list of GAEC standards is adapted accordingly.

¹¹ Council Directive 92/43/EEC of 21 May 1992 on the conservation of natural habitats and of wild fauna and flora (OJ L 206, 22.7.1992, p. 7).

¹² Directive 2009/147/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 30 November 2009 on the conservation of wild birds (OJ L 20, 26.1.2010, p. 7).

¹³ Council Directive 91/676/EEC of 12 December 1991 concerning the protection of waters against pollution caused by nitrates from agricultural sources (OJ L 375, 31.12.1991, p. 1).

¹⁴ Regulation (EU) No 1306/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 17 December 2013 on the financing, management and monitoring of the common agricultural policy and repealing Council Regulations (EEC) No 352/78, (EC) No 165/94, (EC) No 2799/98, (EC) No 814/2000, (EC) No 1290/2005 and (EC) No 485/2008 (OJ L 347, 20.12.2013, p. 549).

¹⁵ Directive 2000/60/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 October 2000 establishing a framework for Community action in the field of water policy (OJ L 327, 22.12.2000, p. 1).

¹⁶ Directive 2009/128/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 21 October 2009 establishing a framework for Community action to achieve the sustainable use of pesticides (OJ L 309, 24.11.2009, p. 71).

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^{16a} Regulation (EU) 2019/6 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 December 2018 on veterinary medicinal products and repealing Directive 2001/82/EC (OJ L 4, 7.1.2019, p. 43).

Justification

Animal owners or animal keepers are bound to keep records of medicinal products applied to them. The Reg as well reads that "Antimicrobial medicinal products shall not be applied routinely..". EP mandate on the SUP Dir at this stage (trilogues) proposes ban on oxo-degradable products, such as those currently still in use in agriculture (e.g. mulching films). For the health of our soils it is crucial that this is as well implemented and controlled (If needed, then as GAEC and not SMR)

Amendment 25

Proposal for a regulation

Recital 24

Text proposed by the Commission

(24) Member States should set farm advisory services for the purpose of improving the sustainable management and overall performance of agricultural holdings and rural businesses, covering economic, environmental and social dimensions, and to identify the necessary improvements as regards all measures at farm level provided for in the CAP Strategic Plans. These farm advisory services should help farmers and other beneficiaries of CAP support to become more aware of the relationship between farm management and land management on the one hand, and certain standards, requirements and information, including environmental and climate ones, on the other hand. The list of the latter includes standards applying to or necessary for farmers and other CAP beneficiaries and set in the CAP Strategic Plan, as well as those stemming from the legislation on water, on the sustainable use of pesticides, as well as the initiatives to combat antimicrobial resistance and the management of risks. In order to enhance the quality and effectiveness of the advice, Member States should integrate advisors within the Agricultural Knowledge and Innovation Systems (AKIS), in order to be able to deliver up-to-date technological and scientific information developed by research and innovation.

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(24) Member States should set ***up and ensure access to*** farm advisory services for the purpose of improving the sustainable management and overall performance of agricultural holdings and rural businesses, covering economic, environmental and social dimensions, and to identify the necessary improvements as regards all measures at farm level provided for in the CAP Strategic Plans. These farm advisory services should help farmers and other beneficiaries of CAP support to become more aware of the relationship between farm management and land management on the one hand, and certain standards, requirements and information, including environmental and climate ***and animal welfare*** ones, on the other hand. The list of the latter includes standards applying to or necessary for farmers and other CAP beneficiaries and set in the CAP Strategic Plan, as well as those stemming from the legislation on water, on the sustainable use of pesticides, as well as the initiatives to combat antimicrobial resistance, the management of risks, ***and to promote the sustainable management of nutrients, and input reduction***. In order to enhance the quality and effectiveness of the advice, Member States should integrate advisors within the Agricultural Knowledge and Innovation Systems (AKIS), in order to be able to deliver up-to-date technological and scientific information developed by research and innovation.

Amendment 26

Proposal for a regulation Recital 24 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(24a) To ensure the provision of high quality advice to all farmers in the Union, the Commission should define minimum standards for farm advisory services, in terms of the quality and territorial coverage of the advice provided. The Commission should, prior to the entry into force of this Regulation and for the purposes of quality control, accredit all farm advisory services. In cases where it concludes that a farm advisory service does not meet minimum standards, the Commission should notify the Member State concerned in writing and requesting that it take remedial action.

Justification

Farmers need to acquire new types of skills and knowledge in order to take up new and more sustainable agricultural practices, which are often more complex than current ones. The provision of high quality farm advisory services (FAS) is therefore increasingly important. However, at the moment the CAP seems to lack a real quality control system for FAS, whose capacity to help farmers varies enormously across the Member States.

Amendment 27

Proposal for a regulation Recital 25

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(25) In order to ensure a fairer distribution of income support, the amounts of direct payments above a certain ceiling should be ***reduced*** and the product should either be used for ***decoupled direct payments and in priority for the complementary redistributive income support for sustainability***, or be transferred to the EAFRD. ***In order to avoid negative***

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effects on employment, labour should be taken into account when applying the mechanism.

redistributive income support for sustainability.

Amendment 28

Proposal for a regulation Recital 28

Text proposed by the Commission

(28) Small farms remain a cornerstone of Union agriculture as they play a vital role in supporting rural employment and contribute to territorial development. In order to promote a more balanced distribution of support and to reduce administrative burden for beneficiaries of small amounts, Member States should have the option of offering to small farmers the possibility of replacing the other direct payments by providing a round **some** payment for small farmers.

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Justification

Small farms in peripheral and disadvantage areas are under particular threat.

Amendment 29

Proposal for a regulation Recital 30 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(30a) Organic farming is developing in many European countries and has a proven track record of delivering public goods, preserving ecosystems services and natural resources, reducing inputs, attracting young farmers and women in particular, creating jobs, experimenting new business models, meeting societal demands, and revitalising rural areas. Yet

the growth in the demand for organic products continues to outpace the growth in production. Member States should ensure that their CAP Strategic Plans include objectives to increase the share of agricultural land under organic management in order to meet the increasing demand for organic products, and to develop the entire organic supply chain. Member States may fund organic conversion and maintenance through rural development measures or eco-schemes, or through a combination of both, and should ensure that allocated budgets match the expected growth in organic production.

Amendment 30

Proposal for a regulation

Recital 31

Text proposed by the Commission

(31) The CAP should ensure that Member States increase the environmental delivery by respecting local needs and farmers' actual circumstances. Member States should under direct payments in the CAP Strategic Plan set up Eco-schemes voluntary for farmers, which should be fully coordinated with the other relevant interventions. They should be defined by the Member States as a payment granted either for incentivising and remunerating the provision of public goods by agricultural practices beneficial to the environment and climate or as a compensation for the introduction of these practices. In both cases they should aim at enhancing the environmental and climate performance of the CAP and should consequently be conceived to go beyond the mandatory requirements already prescribed by the system of conditionality. Member States may decide to set up eco-schemes for agricultural practices such as

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Amendment 31

Proposal for a regulation Recital 32

Text proposed by the Commission

(32) Member States should be allowed to use part of their financial ceiling available for direct payments for coupled income support in order to improve competitiveness, sustainability, and/or quality in certain sectors and productions that are particularly important for social, economic ***or*** environmental ***reasons*** and undergo certain difficulties. Furthermore, Member States should also be allowed to use an additional part of their financial ceiling available for direct payments to grant coupled income support specifically for the support of protein crop production in order to reduce the Union's deficit in this regard.

Amendment 32

Proposal for a regulation Recital 37

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Text proposed by the Commission

(37) For interventions for rural development, principles are defined at Union level, particularly with regard to the basic requirements for the Member States to apply selection criteria. However, Member States should have ample discretion to define specific conditions according to their needs. Types of interventions for rural development include payments for environmental, climate and other management commitments that Member States should support throughout their territories, in accordance with their national, regional or local specific needs. Member States should grant payments to farmers and other land managers who undertake, on a voluntary basis, management commitments that contribute to climate change mitigation and adaptation and to the protection and improvement of the environment including water quality and quantity, air quality, soil, biodiversity and ecosystem services including voluntary commitments in Natura 2000 and support for genetic diversity. Support under payments for management commitments may also be granted in the form of locally-led, integrated or cooperative approaches and result-based interventions.

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Amendment 33

**Proposal for a regulation
Recital 38**

Text proposed by the Commission

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environmentally friendly production systems such as agro-ecology, **conservation agriculture and** integrated production; forest environmental and climate services and forest conservation; premia for forests and establishment of agroforestry systems; animal welfare; conservation, sustainable use and development of genetic resources. Member States may develop other schemes under this type of interventions on the basis of their needs. This type of payments should cover additional costs and income foregone only resulting from commitments going beyond the baseline of mandatory standards and requirements established in Union and national law, as well as conditionality, as laid down in the CAP Strategic Plan. Commitments related to this type of interventions may be undertaken for a pre-established annual or pluri-annual period and might go beyond seven years where duly justified.

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Amendment 34

Proposal for a regulation Recital 39

Text proposed by the Commission

(39) Forestry measures should contribute to the implementation of the Union Forest Strategy, and be based on Member States' national or sub-national forest programs or equivalent instruments, which should build on the commitments stemming from the Regulation on the inclusion of greenhouse gas emission and removals from land use, land use energy and forestry [LULUCF Regulation] and those made in the Ministerial Conferences on the Protection of Forests in Europe. Interventions should be based on forest

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management plans or equivalent instruments and may comprise forest area development and sustainable management of forests, including the afforestation of land and the creation and regeneration of agroforestry systems; the protection, restoration and improvement of forest resources, taking into account adaptation needs; investments to guarantee and enhance forest conservation and resilience, and the provision of forest ecosystem and climate services; and measures and investments in support of the renewable energy and bio-economy.

sustainable forest management plans or equivalent instruments ***delivering effective carbon sequestration from the atmosphere while enhancing biodiversity*** and may comprise forest area development and sustainable management of forests, including the afforestation of land, ***fire prevention***, and the creation and regeneration of agroforestry systems; the protection, restoration and improvement of forest resources, taking into account adaptation needs; investments to guarantee and enhance forest conservation and resilience, and the provision of forest ecosystem and climate services; and measures and investments in support of the renewable energy and bio-economy.

Amendment 35

Proposal for a regulation

Recital 40

Text proposed by the Commission

(40) In order to ensure a fair income and a resilient agricultural sector across the Union territory, Member States may grant support to farmers in areas facing natural and other area-specific constraints. As regards payments for ANC, the designation of the 2014-2020 Rural Development policy should continue to apply. For the CAP to deliver enhanced Union added on the environment and reinforce its synergies with the financing of investments in nature and biodiversity, it is necessary to keep a separate measure aiming at compensating beneficiaries for disadvantages related to the implementation of Natura 2000 and Water Framework Directives. Support should therefore continue to be granted to farmers and forest holders to help address specific disadvantages resulting from the implementation of Directive 2009/147/EC and Directive 92/43/EEC and in order to contribute to the effective management of

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Natura 2000 sites. Support should also be made available to farmers to help address disadvantages in river basin areas resulting from the implementation of the Water Framework Directive. Support should be linked to specific requirements described in the CAP Strategic Plans that go beyond relevant mandatory standards and requirements. Member States should also ensure that payments to farmers do not lead to double funding with eco schemes. Furthermore, the specific needs of Natura 2000 areas should be taken into account by Member States in the overall design of their CAP Strategic Plans.

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Amendment 36

Proposal for a regulation Recital 41

Text proposed by the Commission

(41) The objectives of the CAP should also be pursued through support for investments, productive as well as non-productive, on farm as well as off-farm. Such investments may concern, inter alia, infrastructures related to the development, modernisation or adaptation to climate change of agriculture and forestry, including access to farm and forest land, land consolidation and improvement, agro-forestry practices and the supply and saving of energy and water. In order to better ensure the consistency of the CAP Strategic Plans with Union objectives, as well as a level playing field between Member States, a negative list of investment topics is included in this Regulation.

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Amendment 37

Proposal for a regulation Recital 44

Text proposed by the Commission

(44) In the light of the need to ensure appropriate risk management tools, ***insurance premia and*** mutual funds should be maintained, financed by the ***EAFRD***. The category of mutual funds encompasses both those linked to production losses, and the general and sector-specific income stabilisation tools, linked to income losses.

Amendment

(44) In the light of the need to ensure appropriate risk management tools ***in specific sectors***, mutual funds should be maintained, financed by the ***EAGF***. The category of mutual funds encompasses both those linked to production losses, and the general and sector-specific income stabilisation tools, linked to income losses.

Justification

No rewarding risk behaviour

Amendment 38

Proposal for a regulation Recital 45

Text proposed by the Commission

(45) Support should enable the establishment and implementation of cooperation between at least two entities in view of achieving CAP objectives. Support can entail all aspects of such cooperation, such as the setting up of quality schemes; collective environmental and climate action; the promotion of short supply chain and local markets; pilot projects; Operational Group projects within the EIP for agricultural productivity and sustainability local development projects, Smart Villages, buyers' clubs and machinery rings; farm partnerships; forest management plans; networks and clusters; social farming; community supported agriculture; actions within the scope of LEADER; and the setting up of producer groups and producer organisations, as well as other forms of cooperation deemed

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Amendment 39

Proposal for a regulation Recital 48

Text proposed by the Commission

(48) Support for direct payments under the CAP Strategic Plans should be granted within national allocations to be fixed by this Regulation. These national allocations should reflect a continuation of the changes whereby the allocations to Member States with the lowest support level per hectare are gradually increased to close 50% of the gap towards 90% of the Union average. In order to take into account the reduction of payments' mechanism and the use of its product in the Member State, the total indicative financial allocations per year in the CAP Strategic Plan of a Member State should be allowed to exceed the national allocation.

Amendment

(48) ***The EAGF should not provide support to activities that would harm the environment, or which are not consistent with climate and environment objectives.*** Support for direct payments under the CAP Strategic Plans should be granted within national allocations to be fixed by this Regulation. These national allocations should reflect a continuation of the changes whereby the allocations to Member States with the lowest support level per hectare are gradually increased to close 50% of the gap towards 90% of the Union average. In order to take into account the reduction of payments' mechanism and the use of its product in the Member State, the total indicative financial allocations per year in the CAP Strategic Plan of a Member State should be allowed to exceed the national allocation.

Amendment 40

Proposal for a regulation Recital 50

Text proposed by the Commission

(50) EAFRD should not provide support to investments that would harm the environment. Hence it is necessary to provide in this Regulation a number of exclusion rules, as well as the possibility to further develop these guarantees in delegated acts. Notably, the EAFRD should not finance investments in irrigation

Amendment

(50) EAFRD should not provide support to investments that would harm the environment ***or which are not consistent with climate, environment, animal welfare and biodiversity objectives. Investments that generate both economic and environmental benefits should be emphasised.*** Hence it is necessary to

which do not contribute towards the achievement, or the preservation, of good status of the associated water body or bodies and investments in afforestation which are not consistent with climate and environmental objectives in line with sustainable forest management principles

provide in this Regulation a number of ***more specific*** exclusion rules, as well as the possibility to further develop these guarantees in delegated acts. Notably, the EAFRD should not finance investments in irrigation which do not contribute towards the achievement, or the preservation, of good status of the associated water body or bodies and investments in afforestation which are not consistent with climate and environmental objectives in line with sustainable forest management principles. ***Member States should ensure that authorities play an active role on ecology and management of forest fires in any afforestation or reforestation action and strengthen the role of soft preventive measures and land use management.***

Amendment 41

Proposal for a regulation Recital 51

Text proposed by the Commission

(51) For the purpose of ensuring adequate financing for certain priorities, rules on minimum financial allocations for these priorities should be set for the support under EAFRD. For the sake of ensuring a level playing field between farmers, a maximum allocation should also be set for the coupled support under direct payments. Furthermore, Member States should also be allowed to use an additional part of their financial ceiling available for direct payments to grant coupled income support specifically for improving the competitiveness, sustainability, and/or quality of the ***protein crop*** production.

Amendment

(51) For the purpose of ensuring adequate financing for certain priorities, rules on minimum financial allocations for these priorities should be set for the support under EAFRD. For the sake of ensuring a level playing field between farmers, a maximum allocation should also be set for the coupled support under direct payments. Furthermore, Member States should also be allowed to use an additional part of their financial ceiling available for direct payments to grant coupled income support specifically for improving the competitiveness, sustainability, and/or quality of the production ***in order to reduce dependence on imports of protein crops.***

Amendment 42

Proposal for a regulation Recital 52

Text proposed by the Commission

(52) Reflecting the importance of tackling climate change in line with the Union's commitments to implement the Paris Agreement and the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals, this Program will contribute to mainstream climate action in the Union's policies and to the achievement of an overall target of **25%** of the EU budget expenditures supporting climate objectives. Actions under the CAP **are expected to** contribute 40 % of the overall financial envelope of the CAP to climate objectives. Relevant actions will be identified during the Program's preparation and implementation, and reassessed in the context of the relevant evaluations and review processes.

Amendment

(52) Reflecting the importance of tackling climate change in line with the Union's commitments to implement the Paris Agreement and the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals, this Program will contribute to mainstream climate action **and phase out environmentally harmful subsidies** in the Union's policies and to the achievement of an overall target of **at least 30%** of the EU budget expenditures supporting climate objectives. Actions under the CAP **should** contribute **at least** 40 % of the overall financial envelope of the CAP to climate objectives. Relevant actions will be identified during the Program's preparation and implementation, and reassessed in the context of the relevant evaluations and review processes.

Amendment 43

Proposal for a regulation Recital 52 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(52a) In view of the importance of combating the loss of biodiversity in accordance with the Union's obligations to implement the Convention on Biological Diversity and the UN Sustainable Development Goals, this Program will contribute to the incorporation of biodiversity protection measures into the Union's policies, particularly as concerns agricultural spaces and habitats, and provide EUR 15 billion of CAP funding in support of biodiversity objectives, to be supplemented

by EUR 5 billion in funding from the Member States. In particular, this financing will support measures to preserve biodiversity in accordance with Article 28 and measures to preserve biodiversity in accordance with Articles 65 and 67.

Justification

Arresting the loss of biodiversity
Amendment 44

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 58 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(58a) The existing knowledge base, in terms of the quantity and quality of available information, varies considerably for the purposes of monitoring the specific objectives set out in Article 6 of this proposal. For some specific objectives, in particular for monitoring biodiversity, the knowledge base is currently weak or insufficiently adapted for the purposes of creating robust impact indicators, such as for pollinators and crop biodiversity. Specific objectives and indicators set for the Union as a whole in Article 6 and Annex 1 respectively should be based on a shared or comparable knowledge base and methodologies in all Member States. The Commission should identify areas where knowledge gaps exist or where the knowledge base is insufficiently adapted for the purposes of monitoring the impact of the CAP. It should use the Union budget to provide a common response to knowledge-related and monitoring obstacles related to all Article 6 specific objectives and indicators. It should draw up a report on this issue no later than 31 December 2020 and make its findings public.

Amendment 45

Proposal for a regulation Recital 59

Text proposed by the Commission

(59) The strategy should also highlight complementarity both between CAP tools and with **the** other Union policies. In particular, each CAP Strategic Plan should take account of environmental and climate legislation **where appropriate**, and national plans emanating from this legislation should be described as part of the analysis of the current situation ('SWOT analysis'). It is appropriate to list the legislative instruments which should specifically be referred to in the CAP Strategic Plan.

Amendment

(59) The strategy should also highlight complementarity both between CAP tools and with other Union policies **including cohesion**. In particular, each CAP Strategic Plan should take account of environmental and climate legislation, **the Union's commitments to Policy Coherence for Development**, and national plans emanating from this legislation should be described as part of the analysis of the current situation ('SWOT analysis'). It is appropriate to list the legislative instruments which should specifically be referred to in the CAP Strategic Plan.

Amendment 46

Proposal for a regulation Recital 63

Text proposed by the Commission

(63) Considering the importance of the general **objective of** modernising the agricultural sector, and in view of its crosscutting nature, it is appropriate that Member States include in their CAP Strategic Plan a dedicated description of the contribution that such a Plan will make to **this objective**.

Amendment

(63) Considering the importance of the general **objectives of increasing environmental resilience, improving the primary producers' position in the food chain and** modernising the agricultural sector, and in view of its crosscutting nature, it is appropriate that Member States include in their CAP Strategic Plan a dedicated description of the contribution that such a Plan will make to **these objectives**.

Justification

Agriculture must improve its environmental delivery and improve the position of the primary produce ahead of the goal of modernising.

Amendment 47

Proposal for a regulation Recital 68 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(68a) Water is an essential production factor for agriculture. Water management is therefore a fundamental issue, and better forms of water management are required. In addition, climate change will have a significant impact on water resources, with more frequent and intense periods of drought as well as periods of heavy precipitation. Storing water during autumn and winter is a common-sense solution. In addition, bodies of water help to create favourable environments for rich biodiversity. They also make it possible to maintain living soils and sufficient flow in waterways, thus encouraging aquatic life.

Amendment 48

Proposal for a regulation Recital 69

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(69) A Managing Authority should be responsible for the management and implementation of each CAP Strategic Plan. ***Its*** duties should be specified in this Regulation. The Managing Authority should be able to delegate part of its duties while retaining responsibility for the efficiency and correctness of management. Member States should ensure that in the Management and Implementation of CAP Strategic Plans, the financial interests of the Union are protected, in accordance with [Regulation (EU, Euratom) X] of the European Parliament and the Council [the new Financial Regulation] and Regulation (EU) X of the European Parliament and the Council [the new Horizontal Regulation].

(69) A Managing Authority should be responsible for the management and implementation of each CAP Strategic Plan. ***However, when elements related to rural development policy are regionalised, Member States should have the possibility to establish regional management authorities. Their*** duties should be specified in this Regulation. The Managing Authority should be able to delegate part of its duties while retaining responsibility for the efficiency and correctness of management. Member States should ensure that in the Management and Implementation of CAP Strategic Plans, the financial interests of the Union are protected, in accordance with [Regulation

(EU, Euratom) X] of the European Parliament and the Council [the new Financial Regulation] and Regulation (EU) X of the European Parliament and the Council [the new Horizontal Regulation].

Amendment 49

Proposal for a regulation Recital 71

Text proposed by the Commission

(71) The EAFRD should support through technical assistance, at the initiative of the Commission, actions relating to the fulfilment of the tasks referred to in [Article 7 HzR]. Technical assistance may also be provided, at the initiative of Member States, for the purpose of the fulfilment of the tasks necessary for the effective administration and implementation of support in relation to the CAP Strategic Plan. An increase of the technical assistance at the initiative of Member States is only available for Malta.

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(71) The EAFRD should support through technical assistance, at the initiative of the Commission, actions relating to the fulfilment of the tasks referred to in [Article 7 HzR], ***including improving the quantity and quality of baseline data available for monitoring the specific objectives laid out in Article 6 and the relevance and accuracy of the corresponding indicators laid out in Annex I.*** Technical assistance may also be provided, at the initiative of Member States, for the purpose of the fulfilment of the tasks necessary for the effective administration and implementation of support in relation to the CAP Strategic Plan. An increase of the technical assistance at the initiative of Member States is only available for Malta.

Justification

The New Delivery Model is based on the principle of ‘public money in exchange for results’. This implies a greater focus on monitoring results than before. Currently, the baseline data necessary for effective, consistent monitoring of results is missing. The Commission should therefore be allowed under this proposal to use the technical assistance budget to fill the gaps in the baseline data available and the corresponding indicators.

Amendment 50

Proposal for a regulation Recital 74

Text proposed by the Commission

(74) The result-orientation triggered by the delivery model requires a strong performance framework, particularly since CAP Strategic Plans would contribute to broad general objectives for other shared managed policies. A performance-based policy implies annual and multi-annual assessment on the basis of selected outputs, result and impact indicators, as defined in the performance monitoring and evaluation framework. To this end, a limited and targeted set of indicators should be selected in a way which reflects as closely as possible whether the supported intervention contributes to achieving the envisaged objectives. Result and output indicators relating to climate- and environment-related objectives *may* include interventions set out in national environmental and climate-planning instruments emanating from Union legislation.

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Amendment 51

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 83

Text proposed by the Commission

(83) In order to ensure legal certainty, protect the rights of farmers and guarantee a smooth, coherent and efficient functioning of types of interventions in the form of direct payments, the power to adopt certain acts should be delegated to the Commission in respect of rules making the granting of payments conditional upon the use of certified seeds of certain hemp varieties and the procedure for the determination of hemp varieties and the verification of their tetrahydrocannabinol content; rules for good agricultural and

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environmental condition and certain related elements in respect of the eligibility requirements; and on the content of the declaration and the requirements for the activation of payment entitlements; further rules on eco-schemes; measures to avoid that beneficiaries of coupled income support suffering from structural market imbalances in a sector, including the decision that such support may continue to be paid until 2027 on the basis of the production units for which it was granted in a past reference period; rules and conditions for the authorisation of land and varieties for the purposes of the crop-specific payment for cotton and rules on the conditions for the granting of that payment.

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Amendment 52

Proposal for a regulation Recital 87

Text proposed by the Commission

(87) In order to ensure uniform conditions for the implementation of this Regulation and to avoid unfair competition or discrimination between farmers, implementing powers should be conferred on the Commission as regards the fixing of reference areas for the support for oilseeds, rules for the authorisation of land and varieties for the purposes of the crop-specific payment for cotton and related notifications, the calculation of the reduction where the eligible area of cotton exceeds the base area, the Union financial assistance for distillation of by-products of wine-making, the annual breakdown by Member State of the total amount of Union support for types of interventions for rural development, rules on the presentation of

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the elements to be included in the CAP Strategic Plan, rules on the procedure and time limits for the approval of CAP Strategic Plans and the submission and approval of requests for amendment of CAP Strategic Plans, uniform conditions for the application of the information and publicity requirements relating to the possibilities offered by the CAP Strategic Plans, rules relating to the performance, monitoring and evaluation framework, rules for the presentation of the content of the annual performance report, rules on the information to be sent by the Member States for the performance assessment by the Commission and rules on the data needs and synergies between potential data sources, and arrangements to ensure a consistent approach for determining the attribution of the performance bonus to Member States. Those powers should be exercised in accordance with Regulation (EU) No 182/2011 of the European Parliament and of the Council.²²

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²² Regulation (EU) No 182/2011 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 16 February 2011 laying down the rules and general principles concerning mechanisms for control by the Member States of the Commission's exercise of implementing powers (OJ L 55, 28.2.2011, p. 13).

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Amendment 53

Proposal for a regulation

Article 3 – paragraph 1 – point b a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(ba) 'stocking density' means the total weight of animals which are present in a house at the same time per square metre

of useable area;

Justification

Stocking density can be used as a parameter in interventions relevant to animal welfare and animal health, and it thus needs to be defined within this Regulation.

Amendment 54

Proposal for a regulation

Article 3 – paragraph 1 – point b b (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(bb) ‘concentrated animal feeding operation’ means a livestock holding rearing animals at a density beyond that permitted by the area and natural resources, or carrying capacity, of the holding, or in the case of cattle and ruminants, where the animals are without access to grazing or without the appropriate amount of supporting forage hectares to support pasture or grassland-based grazing or foraging;

Amendment 55

Proposal for a regulation

Article 3 – paragraph 1 – point e

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(e) 'mutual fund' means a scheme accredited by the Member State in accordance with its national law for affiliated farmers to insure themselves, whereby compensation payments are made to affiliated farmers who experience **economic** losses.

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Justification

The mutual fund should only compensate losses if the farmer can prove that they undertook

precautionary measures in advance. Payments should be granted for production losses. Other kinds of losses should not be paid by the mutual fund.

Amendment 56

Proposal for a regulation

Article 3 – paragraph 1 – point i

Text proposed by the Commission

(i) 'targets' means pre-agreed values to be achieved at the end of the period in relation to the result indicators included under a specific objective;

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Amendment 57

Proposal for a regulation

Article 3 – paragraph 1 – point i a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(ia) 'policy coherence for development' means that the Union shall, in line with Article 208 of the TFEU, take account of the objectives of development cooperation in the policies that it implements, and in pursuing its domestic policy objectives, that it shall avoid negative policy measures which adversely affect the Union's development objectives;

Amendment 58

Proposal for a regulation

Article 3 – paragraph 1 – point j a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(ja) 'environment and biodiversity proofing' means a structured process of ensuring the effective application of tools to avoid harmful impacts of Union spending and to maximise its benefits on the state of the Union's environment and

biodiversity, based on the Commission's "Common Framework for Biodiversity Proofing of the EU Budget", and in accordance with national rules and guidance, where available, or internationally recognised standards;

Amendment 59

Proposal for a regulation

Article 3 – paragraph 1 – point j b (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(jb) 'climate proofing' means a process to ensure that infrastructure is resilient to the adverse impacts of the climate in accordance with national rules and guidance, where available, or internationally recognised standards.

Amendment60

Proposal for a regulation

Article 4 – paragraph 1 – point a and b

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

Article 4

Article 4

Definitions to be formulated in the CAP Strategic Plans

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(a) 'agricultural activity' shall be defined in a way that it includes both the production of agricultural products listed in Annex I to the TFEU, including cotton and short rotation coppice, and maintenance of the agricultural area in a state which makes it suitable for grazing or cultivation, without preparatory action going beyond

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usual agricultural methods and machineries;

(b) 'agricultural area' shall be defined in a way that it is composed of arable land, permanent crops and permanent grassland. The terms 'arable land', 'permanent crops' and 'permanent grassland' shall be further specified by Member States within the following framework:

(i) 'arable land' shall be land cultivated for crop production or areas available for crop production but lying fallow, and include areas set aside in accordance with Articles 22, 23 and 24 of Council Regulation (EC) No 1257/1999¹, with Article 39 of Council Regulation (EC) No 1698/2005², with Article 28 of Regulation (EU) No 1305/2013 or with Article 65 of this Regulation;

(ii) 'permanent crops' shall be non-rotational crops other than permanent grassland and permanent pasture that occupy the land for five years or more, which yield repeated harvests, including nurseries and short rotation coppice;

(iii) 'permanent grassland and permanent pasture' (together referred to as 'permanent grassland') shall be land **not included in the crop rotation of the holding for five years or more**, used to grow grasses or other herbaceous forage naturally (self-seeded) or through cultivation (sown). **It may** include other species such as shrubs and/or trees which can be grazed **or** produce animal feed;

usual agricultural methods and machineries **including in agroforestry**;

(b) 'agricultural area' shall be defined in a way that it is composed of arable land, permanent crops and permanent grassland. **Landscape features may hereby be included as components of the agricultural area.** The terms 'arable land', 'permanent crops' and 'permanent grassland' shall be further specified by Member States within the following framework:

(i) 'arable land' shall be land cultivated for crop production or areas available for crop production but lying fallow, **and it can include a combination of crops with trees and/or shrubs to form a silvoarable agroforestry system**, and include areas set aside in accordance with Articles 22, 23 and 24 of Council Regulation (EC) No 1257/1999¹, with Article 39 of Council Regulation (EC) No 1698/2005², with Article 28 of Regulation (EU) No 1305/2013 or with Article 65 of this Regulation;

(ii) 'permanent crops' shall be non-rotational crops other than permanent grassland and permanent pasture that occupy the land for five years or more, which yield repeated harvests, including nurseries, **including those in planters lined with plastic (if the Member State makes provision for this)**, and short rotation coppice;

(iii) 'permanent grassland and permanent pasture' (together referred to as 'permanent grassland') shall be land, used to grow grasses or other herbaceous forage naturally (self-seeded) or through cultivation (sown) **and that has not been included in the crop rotation of the holding for five years or more, as well as that has not been ploughed up for five years or more. The definition shall** include other species such as shrubs and/or trees which can be grazed **and other species**

such as shrubs and/or trees which produce animal feed, provided that the grasses and other herbaceous forage remain predominant;

(iiia) ‘temporary grassland’ shall be defined as grass or herbaceous species grown on arable land for less than five consecutive years, or beyond five years where ploughing and reseeded occur. It shall not count towards carbon sinking or climate goals.

Member States may also decide to consider as permanent grassland:

(a) land which can be grazed and which forms part of established local practices where grasses and other herbaceous forage are traditionally not predominant in grazing areas; and/or

((b) land which can be grazed where grasses and other herbaceous forage are not predominant or are absent in grazing areas;

¹ Council Regulation (EC) No 1257/1999 of 17 May 1999 on support for rural development from the European Agricultural Guidance and Guarantee Fund (EAGGF) and amending and repealing certain Regulations (OJ L 160, 26.6.1999, p. 80).

² Council Regulation (EC) No 1698/2005 of 20 September 2005 on support for rural development by the European Agricultural Fund for Rural Development (EAFRD) (OJ L 277, 21.10.2005, p. 1).

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Amendment 61

Proposal for a regulation Article 5

Text proposed by the Commission

Article 5

General objectives

Support from the EAGF and EAFRD shall aim to further improve the sustainable development of farming, food and rural areas and shall contribute to achieving the following general objectives:

- (a) to foster *a* smart, resilient and diversified agricultural sector ensuring food security;
- (b) to ***bolster*** environmental ***care and*** climate action and ***to contribute to the*** environmental- and climate-related objectives of the Union;
- (c) to strengthen the socio-economic fabric ***of*** rural areas.

Those objectives shall be complemented by the cross-cutting objective of modernising the sector by fostering and sharing of knowledge, innovation and digitalisation in agriculture and rural areas, and encouraging their uptake.

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Article 5

General objectives

Support from the EAGF and EAFRD shall aim to further improve the sustainable development of farming, food and rural areas, ***be coherent with the Union's environmental and climate objectives***, and shall contribute to achieving the following general objectives:

- (a) to foster ***an inclusive***, smart, resilient and diversified agricultural sector ensuring ***sustainable, and long-term*** food security;
- (b) to ***support and improve*** environmental ***protection***, climate action and ***biodiversity***; ***to meet*** environmental- and climate-related objectives of the Union;
- (c) to strengthen the socio-economic fabric ***for both women and men in*** rural areas, ***to achieve a balanced territorial development of rural economies and to contribute, to create and maintain employment, observing the principles of fairness and equality***.

Those objectives shall be complemented by the cross-cutting objective of modernising the sector by fostering ***sustainable development*** and sharing of knowledge, innovation and digitalisation in agriculture and rural areas, and encouraging their uptake.

These objectives shall be achieved while aiming at external convergence between Member States.

Amendment 62

**Proposal for a regulation
Article 6**

Text proposed by the Commission

Article 6

Specific objectives

1. The achievement of the general objectives shall be pursued through the following specific objectives:
- (a) support viable farm income and resilience across the Union to enhance food security;
 - (b) enhance market orientation and increase competitiveness, including greater focus on research, technology and digitalisation;
 - (c) improve the farmers' position in the value chain;
 - (d) contribute to climate change mitigation and adaptation, *as well as sustainable energy*;
 - (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 habitats and landscapes;
 - (g) attract young farmers and facilitate

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Article 6

Specific objectives

1. The achievement of the general objectives shall be pursued through the following specific objectives:
- (a) support viable farm income and ***agricultural*** resilience across the Union to enhance ***long-term*** food security, ***preventing overproduction***;
 - (b) enhance ***local, national and European*** market orientation and increase ***environmental sustainability, long-term*** competitiveness, including greater focus on research, ***investment***, technology and digitalisation ***within a circular economy logic***;
 - (c) improve the farmers' position in the value chain, ***including by promoting short supply chains***;
 - (d) contribute to climate change mitigation and adaptation, ***particularly by reducing greenhouse gas emissions from the agricultural and food sector, including through enhancing the removal and sequestration of carbon in the soil, in line with the Paris Agreement***;
 - (e) ***contribute to the protection and improvement of the quality of air and water, while reducing pesticide and antibiotic use, and promote a more sustainable use of water and to the protection and improvement of soil***;
 - (f) enhance ecosystem services ***including in rural areas, and halt and reverse biodiversity loss, including pollinators; to contribute to the conservation, preservation and enhancement of habitats, High Nature Value farming systems, species, and*** landscapes;
 - (g) attract young farmers and ***new***

business development in rural areas;

(h) promote employment, growth, social inclusion and local development in rural areas, including bio-economy and sustainable forestry;

(i) improve the response of **EU** agriculture to societal demands on food and health, including safe, nutritious and sustainable food, food waste, as well as animal welfare.

2. When pursuing the specific objectives Member States shall ensure simplification and performance of the CAP support.

entrants to farming, particularly in the most depopulated areas, promote gender equality and facilitate sustainable business development in rural areas;

(h) promote employment, growth, social inclusion, ***gender equality***, and local ***and business*** development in rural areas, ***such as areas with natural constraints*** including ***sustainable*** bio-economy, ***circular economy***, and sustainable ***agriculture and*** forestry, ***to achieve social and territorial cohesion***;

(i) improve the response of ***Union*** agriculture to societal demands on food and health, including safe, nutritious and sustainable food, ***low input farming and organic agriculture, reducing*** food waste, as well as ***prevention of antimicrobial resistance and enhancement of*** animal welfare.

2. When pursuing the specific objectives Member States shall ensure simplification and performance of the CAP support.

2a. Member States shall indicate their respective contribution to the objectives as set out in this Article, and propose national targets accordingly. The general and specific objectives, support measures and national targets shall be coherent with and complementary to the legislation set out in Annex XI. In line with the procedure outlined in Chapter III of Title V, the Commission shall ensure that the interventions and respective contributions planned by Members States are sufficient to allow the achievement of the Union objectives in the relevant legislation set out in Annex XI.

Amendment 63

Proposal for a regulation Article 7

Article 7

Article 7

Indicators

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(a) output indicators relating to the realised output of the interventions supported

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(b) result indicators relating to the specific objectives concerned and used for the establishment of quantified milestones and targets in relation to those specific objectives in the CAP Strategic Plans and assessing progress towards the targets. The indicators relating to environment- and climate-specific objectives *may* cover interventions included in relevant national environmental and climate-planning instruments emanating from the Union legislation listed in Annex XI;

(b) result indicators relating to the specific objectives concerned and used for the establishment of quantified milestones and targets in relation to those specific objectives in the CAP Strategic Plans and assessing progress towards the targets. The indicators relating to environment- and climate-specific objectives ***shall*** cover, ***where applicable***, interventions included in relevant national environmental and climate-planning instruments emanating from the Union legislation listed in Annex XI;

(c) impact indicators related to the objectives set out in Articles 5 and 6(1) and used in the context of the CAP Strategic Plans and *of* the CAP.

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2. The Commission is empowered to adopt delegated acts in accordance with Article 138 amending Annex I to adapt the common output, result and impact indicators to take into account the experience with their application and, where needed, to add new indicators.

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to *modify or* add new indicators.

2a. *The Commission shall make an interim assessment on the effectiveness, efficiency, relevance, coherence of the output, result and impact indicators in Annex I, in coordination with the performance assessment of the multiannual evaluation plan as set out in Article 127. The results shall be part of the impact assessment and the proposals for the CAP programming that is expected to start in 2028.*

Amendment 64

Proposal for a regulation Article 9 – paragraph 1 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

Member States shall ensure the integration of a gender perspective throughout the preparation, implementation and evaluation of the interventions, with the aim to promote gender equality and combat gender discrimination.

Amendment 65

Proposal for a regulation Article 9 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

Article 9a

Sustainable development

The objectives of the CAP Strategic Plans shall be pursued in line with the principle of sustainable development and with the aim of preserving, protecting and improving the quality of the environment, as set out in Article 11 and Article 191(1) TFEU, taking into account the polluter

pays principle. The Member States and the Commission shall ensure that environmental protection requirements, resource efficiency, climate change mitigation and adaptation, biodiversity, disaster resilience, and risk mitigation and prevention are promoted in the preparation and implementation of CAP specific objectives. Interventions shall be planned and carried out in accordance with the principle of policy coherence for development as set out in Article 208 TFEU. This strategic consistency shall be checked by the Commission in line with the procedure outlined in Chapter III of Title V.

Amendment 66

Proposal for a regulation Article 9 b (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

Article 9b

Compliance with the Paris Agreement

- 1. The objectives of the CAP Strategic Plans shall be pursued in line with the Paris Agreement, and with a view to reaching the global objectives set out in the Paris Agreement and the commitments described in the Union's and Member States' Nationally Determined Contributions.***
- 2. The CAP shall aim to reduce greenhouse gas emissions of the agricultural and food sector in the Union by 30% by 2027.***
- 3. Member States shall ensure that their CAP Strategic Plans are in line with already established long-term national targets set out in or deriving from the legislative acts referred to in Annex XI and with the objectives set out in paragraph 2 of this Article.***

4. The Commission shall make sure, before approving CAP Strategic Plans, that the combination of all CAP Strategic Plans targets and measures will allow the fulfilment of the climate objectives set out in this Article.

5. In order to maintain a level playing field across the Union, the Commission shall ensure that national climate targets and measures of each Member State are similar.

Amendment 67

Proposal for a regulation Article 10 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

Article 10a

Global dimension of the CAP

1. In accordance with Article 208 of the TFEU, the Union and Member States shall ensure that development cooperation objectives are taken into account in all CAP interventions, and respect the Right to Food as well as the Right to Development.

2. Member States shall ensure that CAP Strategic Plans contribute to the maximum extent possible to the timely achievement of the goals set in the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, notably SDG 2, SDG 10, SDG 12, and SDG 13, as well as in the Paris Agreement. Therefore, CAP interventions shall:

- (i) contribute to developing diversified and sustainable agriculture and resilient agro-ecological practices both in the Union and in partner countries;**
- (ii) contribute to maintaining the genetic diversity of seeds, cultivated plants, farmed and domesticated animals**

and their related wild species, in the Union and in partner countries;

(iii) contribute to harnessing the potential of small-scale farmers, small agricultural enterprises, in particular women farmers, indigenous peoples active in agricultural production and pastoralists, both in the Union and in partner countries;

(iv) contribute to the development of local food systems and domestic and regional markets both in the Union and in partner countries, with the aim of minimising food import dependency and shortening food chains;

(v) end trade practices that distort global trade on agricultural markets;

(vi) fully integrate climate change mitigation and adaptation measures;

(vii) respect the “Climate first, trade second” principle

3. The compliance of the CAP with Policy Coherence for Development shall be assessed on a regular basis, inter alia using data from the monitoring mechanism set out in Article 119a. The Commission shall report to the Council and to the European Parliament about the results of the assessment and the Union’s policy response.

Amendment 68

Proposal for a regulation Article 11

Text proposed by the Commission

Article 11

Principle and scope

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Article 11

Principle and scope

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administrative penalty shall be imposed on beneficiaries receiving direct payments under Chapter II of this Title or the annual premia under Articles 65, 66 and 67 ***who*** do not comply with the statutory management requirements under Union law and the standards for good agricultural and environmental condition of land established in the CAP Strategic Plan, ***as listed in Annex III***, relating to the following specific areas:

- (a) the climate and the environment;
- (b) public health, animal health and plant health;
- (c) animal welfare.

2. The rules on ***the*** administrative penalties to be included in the CAP Strategic Plan shall respect the requirements set out in Chapter IV of Title IV of Regulation (EU) [HzR].

3. The legal acts referred to in Annex III concerning the statutory management requirements shall apply in the version that is applicable and, in the case of Directives, as implemented by the Member States.

4. For the purpose of this Section, 'statutory management requirement' means each individual statutory management requirement under Union law referred to in Annex III within a given legal act, differing in substance from any other requirements in the same act.

receiving direct payments under ***Chapters II and III*** of this Title or the annual premia under Articles 65, 66 and 67 ***shall be subject to an administrative penalty if they*** do not comply, ***where applicable***, with the statutory management requirements under Union law and the standards for good agricultural and environmental condition of land ***as listed in Annex III***, established in the CAP Strategic Plan, relating to the following specific areas:

- (a) the climate and the environment, ***including water, air, soil, biodiversity and ecosystem services***;
- (b) public health, animal health and plant health;
- (c) animal welfare.

2. The rules on ***an effective and dissuasive system of*** administrative penalties to be included in the CAP Strategic Plan shall respect the requirements set out in Chapter IV of Title IV of Regulation (EU) [HzR].

3. The legal acts referred to in Annex III concerning the statutory management requirements shall apply in the version that is applicable and, in the case of Directives, as implemented by the Member States.

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Amendment 69

Proposal for a regulation

Article 12

Text proposed by the Commission

Article 12

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Article 12

Obligations of Member States relating to
good agricultural and environmental
condition

1. Member States shall ensure that all agricultural areas including land which is no longer used for production purposes, is maintained in good agricultural and environmental condition. Member States shall define, at national or regional level, minimum standards for beneficiaries for good agricultural and environmental condition of land in line with the main objective of the standards as referred to in Annex III, **taking** into account the specific characteristics of the areas concerned, including soil and climatic condition, existing farming systems, land use, crop rotation, farming practices, and farm structures.
2. **In** respect of the main objectives laid down in Annex III Member States may prescribe standards additional to those laid down in that Annex against those main objectives. **However, Member States shall not define minimum standards for main objectives other than the main objectives laid down in Annex III.**
3. Member States shall establish a system for providing the Farm Sustainability Tool for Nutrients referred to in Annex III, with the minimum content and functionalities defined therein, to beneficiaries, who shall use the Tool.

Obligations of Member States relating to
good agricultural and environmental
condition

1. Member States shall ensure that all agricultural areas including land which is no longer used for production purposes, is maintained in good agricultural and environmental condition. Member States shall define, **in consultation with relevant stakeholders**, at national or regional level, minimum standards for beneficiaries for good agricultural and environmental condition of land in line with the main objective of the standards as referred to in Annex III, **and coherent with and complementary to the legislation set out in Annex XI. Member States shall take** into account the specific characteristics of the areas concerned, including soil and climatic condition, **in view of achieving the specific objectives in points (d), (e), (f) and (i) of Article 6(1)**, existing farming systems, land use, crop rotation, farming practices, and farm structures.
2. **Member States shall not define minimum standards for main objectives other than the main objectives laid down in Annex III. Nevertheless, in** respect of the main objectives laid down in Annex III Member States may prescribe standards additional to those laid down in that Annex against those main objectives.
 - 2a. **The Commission shall assess the standard defined by the Member States in accordance with the procedure set out in Article 106, taking into account the required efficiency of the standard and the existence of alternatives.**
3. Member States shall establish a system for providing the Farm Sustainability Tool for Nutrients **and Input Reduction** referred to in Annex III, with the minimum content and functionalities defined therein, to beneficiaries, who shall use the Tool. **In order to ensure the efficient use and implementation of this**

The Commission may support the Member States with the design of that Tool and with data storage and processing services requirements.

4. The Commission is empowered to adopt delegated acts in accordance with Article 138 supplementing this Regulation with rules for good agricultural and environmental condition, including establishing the elements of the system of the ratio of permanent grassland, ***the year of reference and the rate of conversion under GAEC 1 as referred to in Annex III***, the format and additional minimum elements and functionalities of the Farm Sustainability Tool for Nutrients.

Tool, the Commission shall provide an adequate transition period for Member States.

The Commission may support the Member States with the design of that Tool and with data storage and processing services requirements.

4. The Commission is empowered to adopt delegated acts in accordance with Article 138 supplementing this Regulation with rules for good agricultural and environmental condition, including establishing the elements of the system of the ratio of permanent grassland, the format and additional minimum elements and functionalities of the Farm Sustainability Tool for Nutrients ***and Input Reduction***.

The Commission is empowered to adopt delegated acts in accordance with Article 138 supplementing this Regulation with rules for good agricultural and environmental condition in cases of force majeure, including natural disasters, epidemics and plant diseases.

Amendment 70

Proposal for a regulation Article 13

Text proposed by the Commission

Article 13

Farm advisory services

1. Member States shall include in the CAP Strategic Plan a system providing services for advising farmers and other beneficiaries of CAP support on land management and farm management ('farm advisory services').

2. The farm advisory services shall

Amendment

Article 13

Farm advisory services

1. Member States shall include in the CAP Strategic Plan a system providing services for advising farmers and other beneficiaries of CAP support on land management and farm management, ***including, where applicable, forest holders*** ('farm advisory services').

2. The farm advisory services shall

cover economic, environmental and social dimensions and **deliver** up to date technological and scientific information developed by research and innovation. They shall be integrated within the interrelated services of farm advisors, researchers, farmer organisations and other relevant stakeholders that form the Agricultural Knowledge and Innovation Systems (AKIS).

3. Member States shall ensure that the farm advice given is impartial and that advisors have no conflict of interest.

4. The farm advisory services shall cover at least the following:

- (a) all requirements, conditions and management commitments applying to farmers and other beneficiaries set in the CAP Strategic Plan, including requirements and standards under conditionality and conditions for support schemes as well as information on financial instruments and business plans established under the CAP Strategic Plan;
- (b) the requirements as defined by Member States for implementing Directive 2000/60/EC, Directive 92/43/EEC, Directive 2009/147/EC, Directive 2008/50/EC, Directive (EU) 2016/2284, Regulation (EU) 2016/2031, Regulation (EU) 2016/429, **Article 55 of** Regulation (EC) No 1107/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council³⁰ **and** Directive 2009/128/EC;

cover economic, environmental and social dimensions and **facilitate acquisition of skills and knowledge needed for sustainable and low input production using** up to date technological and scientific information developed by research and innovation. They shall be integrated within the interrelated services of farm advisors, researchers, farmer organisations and other relevant stakeholders that form the Agricultural Knowledge and Innovation Systems (AKIS).

3. Member States shall ensure that the farm advice given is impartial and that advisors have no conflict of interest, **as well as that the farm advisory services are adapted to the diversity of farms and production modes.**

3a. The Commission shall define minimum standards for farm advisory services, in terms of quality, independence and territorial coverage of the advice provided.

4. The farm advisory services shall cover at least the following:

- (a) all requirements, conditions and management commitments applying to farmers and other beneficiaries set in the CAP Strategic Plan, including requirements and standards under conditionality and conditions for support schemes as well as information on financial instruments and business plans established under the CAP Strategic Plan;
- (b) the requirements as defined by Member States for implementing Directive 2000/60/EC, Directive 92/43/EEC, Directive 2009/147/EC, Directive 2008/50/EC, Directive (EU) 2016/2284, Regulation (EU) 2016/2031, **Implementing Regulations (EU) 2013/485, 2018/783, 2018/784 and 2018/785**, Regulation (EU) 2016/429, Regulation (EC) No 1107/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council³⁰, Directive 2009/128/EC,

- (c) farm practices preventing the development of antimicrobial resistance as set out in the Communication "A European One Health Action Plan against Antimicrobial Resistance"³¹;
- (d) risk management as referred to in Article 70;
- (e) innovation support in particular for preparing and for implementing Operational Group projects of the European Innovation Partnership for agricultural productivity and sustainability as referred to in Article 114
- (f) development of digital technologies in agriculture and rural areas as referred to in Article 102(b).

³⁰ Regulation (EC) No 1107/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 21 October 2009 concerning the placing of plant protection products on the market and repealing Council Directives 79/117/EEC and 91/414/EEC (OJ L 309, 24.11.2009, p. 1).

Directive 98/58/EC, Directive 1999/74/EC, Directive 2007/43/EC, Directive 2008/119/EC, Directive 2008/120/EC, Regulation (EC) 2008/543 and Regulation (EC) No 1/2005, while encouraging the transition to agro-ecological practices;

(ba) transition to and maintaining agro-ecological practices, including agroforestry;

(bb) Farm Sustainability Tool for Nutrients and Input Reduction referred to in Article 12(3);

- (c) farm practices preventing the development of antimicrobial resistance as set out in the Communication "A European One Health Action Plan against Antimicrobial Resistance"³¹;
- (d) risk management as referred to in Article 70;
- (e) innovation support in particular for preparing and for implementing Operational Group projects of the European Innovation Partnership for agricultural productivity and sustainability as referred to in Article 114
- (f) development of digital technologies in agriculture and rural areas as referred to in Article 102(b).

(fa) support and assistance for young farmers and new entrants during the five years following the launch of their businesses;

(fb) setting up and development of producer organisations.

³⁰ Regulation (EC) No 1107/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 21 October 2009 concerning the placing of plant protection products on the market and repealing Council Directives 79/117/EEC and 91/414/EEC (OJ L 309, 24.11.2009, p. 1).

³¹ "A European One Health Action Plan against Antimicrobial Resistance (AMR)" (COM(2017) 339 final).

³¹ "A European One Health Action Plan against Antimicrobial Resistance (AMR)" (COM(2017) 339 final).

Amendment 71

Proposal for a regulation

Title 3 – chapter 1 – section 3 a (new) – Article 13 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

Section 3a

Organic farming

Article 13a

Organic Farming

Organic agriculture, as defined under Regulation (EU) 2018/848 of the European Parliament and of the Council^{1a}, is a certified farming system that can contribute towards multiple CAP specific objectives as laid out in Article 6(1) of this Regulation. In view of the benefits of organic farming, as well as its growing demand which continues to outpace the increase of production, Member States shall assess the level of support needed for agricultural land managed under the organic certification. Member States shall include in their CAP Strategic Plans an analysis of the organic sector's production, of the expected demand, and of its potential to fulfil CAP objectives, and shall set up objectives to increase the share of agricultural land under organic management as well as to develop the entire organic supply chain. Based on this assessment, Member States shall determine the appropriate level of support towards organic conversion and maintenance, either through rural development measures in Article 65 or through eco-schemes in Article 28, or through a combination of both, and shall ensure that allocated budgets match the expected growth in organic production.

Amendment 72

Proposal for a regulation

Article 14

Text proposed by the Commission

Article 14

Types of interventions in the form of direct payments

1. The types of interventions under this Chapter may take the form of decoupled and coupled direct payments;
2. Decoupled direct payments shall be the following:
 - (a) the basic income support for sustainability;
 - (b) the complementary redistributive income support for sustainability;
 - (c) the complementary income support for young farmers;
 - (d) the schemes for the climate and the environment.
3. Coupled direct payments shall be the following:
 - (a) the coupled income support;
 - (b) the crop-specific payment for cotton.

Amendment

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 - (c) the complementary income support for young farmers;
 - (d) the schemes for the climate and the environment.
3. Coupled direct payments shall be the following:
 - (a) the coupled income support;
 - (b) the crop-specific payment for cotton.

Amendment 73

Proposal for a regulation

Article 14 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

Article 14a

The following categories of beneficiaries are not eligible for income support payments through the EAGF:

(a) national or regional politicians or civil servants with direct or indirect responsibility for the planning, management or supervision of the distribution of CAP subsidies;

(b) family members of the persons referred to in point (a).

Justification

Given the widespread problems of conflict of interest, it is undesirable that agricultural ministers, functionaries, members of agricultural committees of parliaments or their family should be taking decisions on income support.

Amendment 74

**Proposal for a regulation
Article 15**

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

Article 15

Article 15

Reduction of payments

Reduction of payments

1. Member States shall ***reduce*** the amount of direct payments to be granted to a farmer pursuant to this Chapter for a given calendar year ***exceeding*** EUR 60 000 ***as follows:***

1. Member States shall ***limit*** the amount of direct payments to be granted to a farmer pursuant to this Chapter for a given calendar year ***to*** EUR 80 000.

(a) by at least 25 % for the tranche between EUR 60 000 and EUR 75 000;

(b) by at least 50 % for the tranche between EUR 75 000 and EUR 90 000;

(c) by at least 75 % for the tranche between EUR 90 000 and EUR 100 000;

(d) by 100 % for the amount exceeding EUR 100 000

2. Before applying paragraph 1, Member States shall subtract from the amount of direct payments to be granted to a farmer pursuant to this Chapter in a given calendar year:

(a) the salaries linked to an agricultural activity declared by the farmer, including taxes and social contributions related to employment; and

(b) the equivalent cost of regular and unpaid labour linked to an agricultural activity practiced by persons working on the farm concerned who do not receive a salary, or who receive less remuneration than the amount normally paid for the services rendered, but are rewarded through the economic result of the farm business.

To calculate the amounts referred to in points a) and b), Member States shall use the average standard salaries linked to an agricultural activity at national or regional level multiplied by the number of annual work units declared by the farmer concerned.

3. The estimated product of the reduction of payments shall primarily be used to contribute to the financing of the *complementary redistributive income support for sustainability* and thereafter of *other interventions belonging to decoupled direct payments*.

Member States may also use all or part of the product to finance *types of interventions under the EAFRD as specified in Chapter IV by means of a*

2. Before applying paragraph 1, Member States shall subtract from the amount of direct payments to be granted to a farmer pursuant to this Chapter in a given calendar year *the payments granted for schemes for the climate and the environment pursuant to Article 28.*

3. The estimated product of the reduction of payments shall primarily be used to contribute to the financing of the *schemes for the climate and the environment* and thereafter of *types of interventions under the EAFRD as specified in Chapter IV by means of a transfer. Such transfer to the EAFRD shall be part of the CAP Strategic Plan financial tables and may be reviewed in 2023 in accordance with Article 90. It shall not be subject to the maximum limits for the transfers of funds from the EAGF to the EAFRD established under Article 90.*

Member States may also use all or part of the product to finance *complementary redistributive income support for sustainability or other interventions*

transfer. Such transfer to the EAFRD shall be part of the CAP Strategic Plan financial tables and may be reviewed in 2023 in accordance with Article 90. It shall not be subject to the maximum limits for the transfers of funds from the EAGF to the EAFRD established under Article 90.

4. The Commission is empowered to adopt delegated acts in accordance with Article 138 supplementing this Regulation with rules establishing a harmonised basis for calculation for the reduction of payments laid down in paragraph 1 to ensure a correct distribution of the funds to the entitled beneficiaries.

Amendment 75

Proposal for a regulation Article 17 – paragraph 3 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

belonging to decoupled direct payments.

4. The Commission is empowered to adopt delegated acts in accordance with Article 138 supplementing this Regulation with rules establishing a harmonised basis for calculation for the reduction of payments laid down in paragraph 1 to ensure a correct distribution of the funds to the entitled beneficiaries.

Amendment

3a. The support established under this Subsection shall not under any circumstances benefit production systems with negative impact on the environment or on third countries or contravene compliance with the legislative acts referred to in Annex XI.

Amendment 76

Proposal for a regulation Article 17 – paragraph 3 b (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

3b. The support under this Subsection shall not be used to finance concentrated animal feeding operations.

Amendment 77

Proposal for a regulation Article 18 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

- 2. Member States may decide to differentiate the amount of the basic income support per hectare amongst different groups of territories faced with similar socio-economic or agronomic conditions.** **deleted**

Justification

We want a fair CAP within Member States as well as between Member States. Despite the way in which it was phrased, this point allows Member States to continue their bias towards lowland arable farming, while discriminating against active farmers providing public goods in sometimes tough conditions in upland grazing or mixed use areas, often coinciding with high nature value agriculture.

Amendment 78

Proposal for a regulation Article 20

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

Article 20

Article 20

Value of payment entitlements and convergence

Value of payment entitlements and convergence

1. Member States shall determine the unit value of payment entitlements before convergence in accordance with this Article by adjusting the value of payment entitlements proportionally to their value as established in accordance with Regulation (EU) No 1307/2013 for claim year 2020 and the related payment for agricultural practices beneficial for the climate and environment provided for in Chapter III of Title III of that Regulation for claim year 2020.
2. Member States may decide to differentiate the value of payment

1. Member States shall determine the unit value of payment entitlements before convergence in accordance with this Article by adjusting the value of payment entitlements proportionally to their value as established in accordance with Regulation (EU) No 1307/2013 for claim year 2020 and the related payment for agricultural practices beneficial for the climate and environment provided for in Chapter III of Title III of that Regulation for claim year 2020.
2. Member States may decide to differentiate the value of payment

entitlements in accordance with Article 18(2).

3. Member States shall, by claim year 2026 at the latest, set a maximum level for the value of payment entitlements for the Member State or for each group of territories defined in accordance with Article 18(2).

4. Where the value of payment entitlements as determined in accordance with paragraph 1 is not uniform within a Member State or within a group of territories as defined in accordance with Article 18(2), Member States shall ensure a convergence of the value of payment entitlements towards a uniform unit value by claim year 2026 at the latest.

5. For the purposes of paragraph 4, Member States shall ensure that, for claim year 2026 at the latest, all payment entitlements have a value of at least 75% of the average planned unit amount for the basic income support for claim year 2026 as laid down in the CAP Strategic Plan transmitted in accordance with Article 106 (1) for the Member State or for the territories as defined in accordance with Article 18(2).

6. Member States shall finance the increases in the value of payment entitlements needed to comply with paragraphs 4 and 5 by using any possible product resulting from the application of paragraph 3, and, where necessary, by reducing the difference between the unit value of payment entitlements determined in accordance with paragraph 1 and the average planned unit amount for the basic income support for claim year 2026 as laid down in the CAP Strategic Plan transmitted in accordance with Article 106 (1) for the Member State or for the territories as defined in accordance with Article 18(2).

Member States may decide to apply the reduction to all or part of the payment

entitlements in accordance with Article 18(2).

3. Member States shall, by claim year 2026 at the latest, set a maximum level for the value of payment entitlements for the Member State or for each group of territories defined in accordance with Article 18(2).

4. Where the value of payment entitlements as determined in accordance with paragraph 1 is not uniform within a Member State or within a group of territories as defined in accordance with Article 18(2), Member States shall ensure a convergence of the value of payment entitlements towards a uniform unit value by claim year 2026 at the latest.

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Member States may decide to apply the reduction to all or part of the payment

entitlements with a value determined in accordance with paragraph 1 exceeding the average planned unit amount for the basic income support for claim year 2026, as laid down in the CAP Strategic Plan transmitted in accordance with Article 106 (1) for the Member State or for the territories as defined in accordance with Article 18(2).

7. The reductions referred to in paragraph 6 shall be based on objective and non-discriminatory criteria. Without prejudice to the minimum set in accordance with paragraph 5, such criteria may include the fixing of a maximum decrease that may not be lower than 30%.

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7. The reductions referred to in paragraph 6 shall be based on objective and non-discriminatory criteria. Without prejudice to the minimum set in accordance with paragraph 5, such criteria may include the fixing of a maximum decrease that may not be lower than 30%.

Amendment 79

Proposal for a regulation

Article 22 – paragraph 4 – point b a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(ba) In the cases referred to in subparagraphs (a) and (b), Member States may grant priority to women in order to achieve the objective referred to in point (h) of Article 6(1).

Justification

The increased participation of women in economic activity shall be promoted as part of the specific objectives to be used to achieve the general objectives.

Amendment 80

Proposal for a regulation

Article 26

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

Article 26

Article 26

Complementary redistributive income support for sustainability

Complementary redistributive income support for sustainability

1. Member States shall provide for a complementary redistributive income support for sustainability ('redistributive income support') under the conditions set out in this Article and as further specified in their CAP Strategic Plans.
2. Member States shall ensure redistribution of support from bigger to smaller or medium-sized farms by providing for a redistributive income support in the form of an annual decoupled payment per eligible hectare to farmers who are entitled to a payment under the basic income support referred to in Article 17.
3. Member States shall establish an amount per hectare or different amounts for different ranges of hectares, as well as the maximum number of hectares per farmer for which the redistributive income support shall be paid.
4. The amount per hectare planned for a given claim year shall not exceed the national average amount of direct payments per hectare for that claim year.
5. The national average amount of direct payments per hectare is defined as the ratio of the national ceiling for direct payments for a given claim year as laid down in Annex IV and the total planned outputs for the basic income support for that claim year, expressed in number of hectares.

Amendment 81

Proposal for a regulation Article 27 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

2. As part of their obligations to contribute to the specific objective 'attract young farmers **and facilitate business development in rural areas**' set out in

1. Member States shall provide for a complementary redistributive income support for sustainability ('redistributive income support') under the conditions set out in this Article and as further specified in their CAP Strategic Plans.
2. Member States shall ensure redistribution of support from bigger to smaller or medium-sized farms by providing for a redistributive income support in the form of an annual decoupled payment per eligible hectare to farmers who are entitled to a payment under the basic income support referred to in Article 17.
3. Member States shall establish an amount per hectare or different amounts for different ranges of hectares, as well as the maximum number of hectares per farmer for which the redistributive income support shall be paid.
4. The amount per hectare planned for a given claim year shall not exceed the national average amount of direct payments per hectare for that claim year.
5. The national average amount of direct payments per hectare is defined as the ratio of the national ceiling for direct payments for a given claim year as laid down in Annex IV and the total planned outputs for the basic income support for that claim year, expressed in number of hectares.

Amendment

2. As part of their obligations to contribute to the specific objective 'attract young farmers' set out in point (g) of Article 6(1) and to dedicate at least **4%** of

point (g) of Article 6(1) and to dedicate at least **2%** of their allocations for direct payments to this objective in accordance with Article 86(4), Member States may provide a complementary income support for young farmers ***who have newly set up for the first time and*** who are entitled to a payment under the basic income support as referred to in Article 17.

their allocations for direct payments to this objective in accordance with Article 86(4), Member States may provide a complementary income support for young farmers who are entitled to a payment under the basic income support as referred to in Article 17 ***and who are setting up for the first time or who have set up during the five years prior to the submission of the payment request for young farmers, under the conditions that these payments are used for sustainable production and that incomes/financial assets do not exceed the threshold set out in Article 15.***

By way of derogation from the first subparagraph, young farmers who have received, during the final year of application of Regulation (EU) 1307/2013, the support indicated in Article 50 of that Regulation, may receive the support stipulated in this Article for the maximum period referred to in paragraph 3 of this Article.

Justification

Young farmers that do not need money, or use it for purposes of intensification that contravene the objectives of Articles 5 and 6, shall not be granted tax-payers' money.

Amendment 82

Proposal for a regulation Article 28

Text proposed by the Commission

Article 28

Schemes for the climate and the environment

1. Member States shall provide support for voluntary schemes for the climate and the environment ('eco-schemes') under the conditions set out in this Article and as further specified in their CAP Strategic Plans.

Amendment

Article 28

Schemes for the climate and the environment

1. Member States shall ***establish and*** provide support ***and set a minimum financial share of at least 30% of their respective national allocations as set out in Annex IV*** for voluntary schemes for the climate and the environment ('eco-schemes') under the conditions set out in

2. Member States shall support under this type of intervention genuine farmers who make commitments to observe, on eligible hectares, agricultural practices beneficial for the climate and the environment.

3. *Member States* shall *establish* the list of agricultural practices beneficial for the climate and the environment.

this Article and as further specified in their CAP Strategic Plans.

2. Member States shall support under this type of intervention genuine farmers **or groups of farmers** who make commitments to observe, ***maintain and promote***, on eligible hectares, agricultural practices **and systems** beneficial for the climate and the environment.

3. *The Commission* shall *adopt delegated acts in accordance with Article 138 supplementing this Regulation by establishing the Union* list of agricultural practices beneficial for the climate and the environment, *taking into account the conditions referred to in paragraph 4 of this Article.*

Member States shall establish complementary national lists of agricultural practices beneficial for the climate and the environment through selecting from the Union list referred to in the first subparagraph. Member States shall prioritise schemes that provide co-benefits, promote synergies and emphasise an integrated approach.

The Commission shall provide the necessary guidance to the Member States when devising the national lists, in coordination with the European and National Common Agricultural Policy Networks as set out in Article 113, to facilitate the exchange of best practices, to improve the knowledge base and solutions for meeting the specific environmental- and climate-related objectives laid down in points (d), (e), and (f) of Article 6(1). Special attention shall be given to the potential replication of measures and schemes tailored to specific local, regional or national and/or environmental contexts or constraints.

In duly justified cases, supplementary schemes that are not established in the Union list may be included in national lists, with the approval of the Commission

in accordance with the procedure set out in Articles 106 and 107.

When drafting the lists, the Commission and Member States shall ensure in the process referred to under Chapter III of Title V that the lists are produced as a joint effort between agricultural and environmental authorities, in consultation with experts.

The Commission shall (bi-)annually assess the national lists, taking into account the required efficiency, existence of alternatives and contribution of the schemes to the specific environmental- and climate-related objectives laid down in points (d), (e) and (f) of Article 6(1). The assessments shall be made publically available and in cases of inadequacy/negative assessments, the Member States shall propose amended national lists and schemes in accordance with the procedure set out in Article 107.

4. Those practices shall be designed to meet one or more of the specific environmental- and climate-related objectives laid down in points (d), (e) and (f) of Article 6(1).

5. Under this type of interventions, Member States shall only provide payments covering commitments which:

- (a) go beyond the relevant statutory management requirements and standards of good agricultural and environmental condition established under Section 2 of Chapter I of this Title;
- (b) go beyond the minimum requirements for the use of fertilisers and plant protection products, animal welfare, as well as other mandatory requirements established by national and Union law;
- (c) go beyond the conditions established for the maintenance of the

4. Those practices shall be designed to meet one or more of the specific environmental-, and climate-related objectives laid down in points (d), (e), and (f) of Article 6(1), **and, in relation to objective (f), due regard shall be given to high nature value farming and Natura 2000 farming.**

5. Under this type of interventions, Member States shall only provide payments covering commitments which:

- (a) go beyond the relevant statutory management requirements and standards of good agricultural and environmental condition established under Section 2 of Chapter I of this Title **and Annex III**;
- (b) go beyond the minimum requirements for the use of fertilisers and plant protection products, animal welfare, as well as other mandatory requirements established by national and Union law;
- (c) go beyond the conditions established for the maintenance of the

agricultural area in accordance with point (a) of Article 4(1);

(d) are different from commitments in respect of which payments are granted under Article 65.

6. Support for eco-schemes shall take the form of an annual payment per eligible hectare and it shall be granted as either:

(a) payments additional to the basic income support as set out in Subsection 2 of this Section; or

(b) payments compensating beneficiaries for all or part of the additional costs incurred and income foregone as a result of the commitments as set pursuant to Article 65.

7. Member States shall ensure that interventions under this Article are consistent with those granted under Article 65.

8. The Commission is empowered to adopt delegated acts in accordance with Article 138 supplementing this Regulation with further rules on the eco-schemes.

agricultural area in accordance with point (a) of Article 4(1);

(d) are different from, ***or complementary to***, commitments in respect of which payments are granted under Article 65.

6. Support for eco-schemes shall take the form of an annual payment per eligible hectare ***or holding*** and it shall be granted as either:

(a) payments additional to the basic income support as set out in Subsection 2 of this Section; or

(b) payments compensating beneficiaries for all or part of the additional costs incurred and income foregone as a result of the commitments as set pursuant to Article 65.

6a. Member States may require mandatory participation of specific eco-schemes in areas with high natural value or where duly justified to meet one or more of the specific environmental- and climate-related objectives laid down in points (d), (e) and (f) of Article 6(1).

6b. Member States shall exclude eco-schemes from a potential reduction of payments as set out in Article 15 or maximum financing levels.

7. Member States shall ensure that interventions under this Article are consistent with those granted under Article 65.

8. The Commission is empowered to adopt delegated acts in accordance with Article 138 supplementing this Regulation with further rules on the eco-schemes.

Amendment 83

Proposal for a regulation Article 28 a (new)

Article 28a

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. Those payments shall be granted to genuine farmers in respect of areas identified according to Article 32 of Regulation (EU) No 1305/2013.***
- 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 due 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 not affected by natural or other area-specific constraints.***
- 5. Payments shall be granted annually per hectare of area.***
- 6. Member States shall set a minimum and maximum percentage of the total EAGF contribution for the interventions referred to in this Article. Spending for consistent prices shall not deviate more than 20 % from spending according to Article 31 of Regulation (EU) No 1305/2013.***

Justification

Transferring this Article to the first pillar leaves more money in the second pillar for environmental and climate measures.

Amendment 84

Proposal for a regulation Article 29 – paragraph 3

Text proposed by the Commission

3. Coupled income support shall take the form of an annual payment per hectare or animal.

Amendment

3. Coupled income support shall take the form of an annual payment per hectare or animal ***that may be capped by Member States to ensure better distribution of the support.***

Amendment 85

Proposal for a regulation Article 29 – paragraph 3 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

3a. The Commission shall ensure in line with Chapter III of Title V that coupled support for livestock shall only be granted to farms that stay within a defined maximum livestock stocking density for a given river basin as defined in Directive 2000/60/EC.

Justification

As coupled income support often supports intensive livestock production for meat and dairy, and in order to mitigate the negative effects of overproduction, notably on climate but also on farm incomes, support shall only be granted to farms that do not exceed stocking densities and help farmers to transition to more diversified production models. This safeguard also aims to avoid overproduction. The maximum stocking densities can be tailored to regional specificities based the river basin management plans of the WFD.

Amendment 86

Proposal for a regulation Article 29 – paragraph 3 b (new)

3b. When a Member State proposes voluntary coupled support in its CAP Strategic Plan as envisaged in Article 106, the Commission shall ensure that:

- (a) the aid meets the ‘do no harm’ principle;**
- (b) there is a clear environmental or social need or benefit, justified with empirical quantifiable and independently verifiable evidence;**
- (c) the support is used to satisfy the Union’s food security needs and does not create distortions of the internal or international markets;**
- (d) the granting of the coupled income support does not lead to trade outcomes which adversely impact on agro-food sector investment, production and processing development in partner developing countries;**
- (e) voluntary coupled support is not to be granted for markets that are in crisis due to overproduction or oversupply;**
- (f) support for livestock production is only to be granted for low population densities within limits of the ecological carrying capacities of the river basins concerned according to the Directive 2000/60/EC, and is linked to sufficient areas of fodder or grazing to be maintained without external inputs.**

When the conditions set out in points (a) to (f) are fulfilled, the Commission may approve or, in coordination with that Member State, as described in Articles 115 and 116 of this Regulation, adjust the variables proposed by that Member State.

Justification

Coupled income support should be conditional to the respect of strict sustainability criteria since it creates distortions both in the internal EU market and externally, displacing

production to some member states (MS) either from other MS or from third countries.

Amendment 87

Proposal for a regulation Article 30 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

Coupled income support may only be granted to the following sectors and productions or specific types of farming therein where these are important for economic, social or environmental reasons: cereals, oilseeds, protein crops, grain legumes, flax, hemp, rice, nuts, starch potato, milk and milk products, seeds, sheepmeat and goatmeat, beef and veal, olive oil, silkworms, dried fodder, hops, **sugar beet**, cane and chicory, fruit and vegetables, **short rotation coppice and other non-food crops, excluding trees, used for the production of products that have the potential to substitute fossil materials.**

Amendment

Coupled income support may only be granted to the following sectors and productions or specific types of farming therein, ***that go beyond minimum legal standards for animal welfare or environment, or*** where these are important for economic, social or environmental reasons, ***and their need is justified under the procedure outlined in Chapter III of Title V with empirical quantifiable and independently verifiable evidence:*** cereals, oilseeds, protein crops, grain legumes, flax, hemp, rice, nuts, starch potato, milk and milk products, seeds, sheepmeat and goatmeat, beef and veal, olive oil, silkworms, dried fodder, hops, cane and chicory, fruit and vegetables.

Justification

Coupled income support should be conditional to the respect of strict sustainability criteria since it creates distortions both in the internal EU market and externally, displacing production to some member states (MS) either from other MS or from third countries. Agrofuels shall not be granted coupled support because of their doubtful climate efficiency. Coupled income support to the sugar beet sector artificially stimulates overproduction, which in turn drives down prices for the producers across the Union and creates market distortions both inside and outside of the Union (see recent research by Wageningen Economic Research).

Amendment 88

Proposal for a regulation Article 31 – paragraph 1 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

1a. Beneficiaries shall only be eligible

for coupled payments if their standards of production are higher than the relevant minimum environmental and animal welfare standards in force.

Amendment 89

Proposal for a regulation Article 31 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

2. *Where the coupled income support concerns bovine animals or sheep and goats, Member States shall define as eligibility conditions for the support the requirements to identify and register the animals in compliance with Regulation (EC) No 1760/2000 of the European Parliament and of the Council³² or Council Regulation (EC) No 21/2004³³ respectively. However, without prejudice to other applicable eligibility conditions, bovine animals or sheep and goats shall be considered as eligible for support as long as the identification and registration requirements are met by a certain date in the claim year concerned to be fixed by the Member States.*

Amendment

2. Coupled income support *may only be granted if:*

(a) *the Member State demonstrates that it is the only option remaining, notably relating to pastoral systems where environmental schemes or decoupled payments can be difficult to deliver due to grazed commons or transhumance*

(b) *the Member State demonstrates the coverage of the additional costs actually incurred and income foregone in order to fulfil the specific objectives (d), (e) and (f) of Article 6(1).*

³² *Regulation (EC) No 1760/2000 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 17 July 2000 establishing a system for the identification and registration of*

bovine animals and regarding the labelling of beef and beef products and repealing Council Regulation (EC) No 820/97 (OJ L 204, 11.8.2000, p. 1).

³³ *Council Regulation (EC) No 21/2004 of 17 December 2003 establishing a system for the identification and registration of ovine and caprine animals and amending Regulation (EC) No 1782/2003 and Directives 92/102/EEC and 64/432/EEC (OJ L 5, 9.1.2004, p. 8).*

Amendment 90

Proposal for a regulation

Article 31 – paragraph 2 – subparagraph 1 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

Without prejudice to the first subparagraph, support shall not be awarded to intensive animal production. The Commission is empowered to adopt delegated acts in accordance with Article 138 supplementing this Regulation by defining types of intensive animal production systems ineligible for coupled support, effectively excluding from support dairy, bovine animals or sheep and goats where there is a discrepancy between the number of eligible hectares and number of animals. This provision will take into account shepherding or transhumance practices.

Justification

Already in the Special Report No 11/2012 it reads that without explicit and sufficient targeting provisions coupled aid may have the effect of subsidising more intensive animal farming methods. This did not improve and this model should change with the next reform. It is extensive animal farming, linked to traditional practice, high-nature value ecosystems, and possibly even fire prevention herding, that is threatened, and rural areas where this is practised. Intensive systems are not worth preserving, for either social, environmental or animal welfare point of view and public support should not serve to maintain them in existence.

Amendment 91

Proposal for a regulation

Article 31 – paragraph 2 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

2a. When the coupled income support concerns bovine animals or sheep and goats, Member States may only support animals raised in a grass-fed, pasture-based grazing system and with significantly higher environmental or animal welfare results.

Amendment 92

Proposal for a regulation

Article 31 – paragraph 2 b (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

2b. The Commission and Member States shall ensure through the procedure outlined in Title V of this Regulation, that the CAP Strategic Plans contain provisions to ensure that by the end of the strategic plan programming period, the total livestock stocking density per Member State does not exceed 0,7 livestock units per hectare.

Justification

It is important to balance animal and plant production. There is a precedent in the CAP, as livestock densities were specified for a decade from 2003 onwards. According to Eurostat, the current average total livestock stocking density between the Member States is 0.75 LU/ha.

Amendment 93

Proposal for a regulation

Article 31 – paragraph 2 c (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

2c. Concentrated animal feeding

operations shall not be eligible for coupled support.

Justification

It is imperative to re-balance animal and plant production by ensuring the livestock population per farm does not exceed its permanent pasture or temporary grassland fodder base area, in the case of ruminants for example. This will limit structural surplus production, environmental pollution by excess nutrients, and reduce climate impacts.

Amendment 94

**Proposal for a regulation
Article 31 a (new)**

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

Article 31a

Monitoring

As part of monitoring policy coherence for development as described in Article 119a, Member States and the Commission shall monitor the coupled support aid granted. If negative effects are found, the coupled support for the sector in question shall be discontinued or scaled down as appropriate, to meet the above conditions.

The Commission is empowered to initiate dialogues with developing country partners where the deployment of coupled support is adversely impacting on local agro-food sector development, with a view to taking remedial measures (including within the framework of Union trade policy) to mitigate the adverse effects being experienced.

Where necessary, the Commission is empowered to adopt delegated acts in accordance with Article 138, supplementing this Regulation with measures to be adopted by Member States when deploying coupled income support, so as to eliminate the adverse effects on agro-food sector development in partner countries.

Amendment 95

Proposal for a regulation Article 35 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

1. The crop-specific payment for cotton shall be granted per hectare of eligible area of cotton. The area shall be eligible only if it is located on agricultural land authorised by the Member State for cotton production, sown with varieties authorised by the Member State and actually harvested under normal growing conditions.

Amendment

1. The crop-specific payment for cotton shall be granted per hectare of eligible area of cotton. The area shall be eligible only if it is located on agricultural land authorised by the Member State for cotton production, sown with varieties authorised by the Member State and actually harvested under normal growing conditions. ***Cotton monoculture shall be excluded.***

Amendment 96

Proposal for a regulation Article 39 – paragraph 1 – point e a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(ea) the leguminous crop sector;

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Proposal for a regulation Article 39 – paragraph 1 – point f

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(f) other sectors referred to in points (a) to (h), (k), (m), (o) ***to (t)*** and (w) of Article 1(2) of Regulation (EU) No 1308/2013.

(f) other sectors referred to in points (a) to (h), (k), (m), (o), ***(p), (r), (s)*** and (w) of Article 1(2) of Regulation (EU) No 1308/2013.

Justification

Removes (q) pigmeat and (t) poultrymeat from the list, which have never been subsidised under the CAP, and are used for intensive or concentrated animal feeding operations.

Amendment 98

Proposal for a regulation Article 42

Text proposed by the Commission

Article 42

Objectives in the fruit and vegetables sector

The following objectives shall be pursued in the fruit and vegetables sector:

- (a) planning of production, adjusting production to demand, particularly in terms of quality and quantity, optimisation of production costs and returns on investments and stabilising producer prices; those objectives relate to the specific objectives set out in points (a), (b), (c) and (i) of Article 6(1);
- (b) concentration of supply and the placing on the market of the products of the fruit and vegetables sector, including through direct marketing; those objectives relate to the specific objectives set out in points (a) and (c) of Article 6(1);
- (c) research and development of sustainable production methods, including pest resilience, innovative practices boosting economic competitiveness and bolstering market developments; those objectives relate to the specific objectives set out in points (a), (c) and (i) of Article 6(1);
- (d) developing, implementing and promoting methods of production respectful of the environment, environmentally sound cultivation practices and production techniques, sustainable use of natural resources in particular protection of water, soil, air, biodiversity and other natural resources; those objectives relate to the specific

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Article 42

Objectives in the fruit and vegetables sector

Notwithstanding Articles 5 and 6 on overall objectives, the following objectives shall be pursued in the fruit and vegetables sector:

- (a) planning of production, adjusting production to demand, particularly in terms of quality and quantity, optimisation of production costs and returns on investments and stabilising producer prices; those objectives relate to the specific objectives set out in points (a), (b), (c) and (i) of Article 6(1);
- (b) concentration of supply and the placing on the market of the products of the fruit and vegetables sector, including through direct marketing; those objectives relate to the specific objectives set out in points (a) and (c) of Article 6(1);
- (c) research and development of sustainable production methods, including pest resilience, innovative practices boosting economic competitiveness and bolstering market developments; those objectives relate to the specific objectives set out in points (a), (c) and (i) of Article 6(1);
- (d) developing, implementing and promoting methods of production respectful of the environment, environmentally sound cultivation practices and production techniques, sustainable use of natural resources in particular protection of water, soil, air, biodiversity and other natural resources; those objectives relate to the specific

objectives set out in points (e) and (f) of Article 6(1);

(e) contribute to climate change mitigation and adaptation, as set out in point (d) of Article 6(1);

(f) boosting products' commercial value and quality, including improving product quality and developing products with a protected designation of origin, with a protected geographical indication or covered by a national quality schemes; those objectives relate to the specific objective set out in point (b) of Article 6(1);

(g) promotion and marketing of the products of the fruit and vegetables sector, whether in a fresh or processed form; those objectives relate to the specific objectives set out in points (b) and (c) of Article 6(1);

(h) increasing consumption of the products of the fruit and vegetables sector, whether in a fresh or processed form; those objectives relate to the specific objective set out in point (i) of Article 6;

(i) crisis prevention and risk management, aimed at avoiding and dealing with crises on the fruit and vegetables markets; those objectives relate to the specific objectives set out in points (a), (b) and (c) of Article 6 (1).

objectives set out in points (e) and (f) of Article 6(1);

(e) contribute to climate change mitigation and adaptation, as set out in point (d) of Article 6(1);

(f) boosting products' commercial value, **diversity** and quality, including improving product quality and developing products with a protected designation of origin, with a protected geographical indication or covered by a national quality schemes; those objectives relate to the specific objective set out in point (b) of Article 6(1);

(g) promotion and marketing of the products of the fruit and vegetables sector, whether in a fresh or processed form; those objectives relate to the specific objectives set out in points (b) and (c) of Article 6(1);

(h) increasing consumption of the products of the fruit and vegetables sector, whether in a fresh or processed form; those objectives relate to the specific objective set out in point (i) of Article 6;

(i) crisis prevention and risk management, aimed at avoiding and dealing with crises on the fruit and vegetables markets; those objectives relate to the specific objectives set out in points (a), (b) and (c) of Article 6 (1).

Amendment 99

Proposal for a regulation

Article 43

Text proposed by the Commission

Article 43

Types of intervention in the fruit and vegetables sector

1. As regards the objectives referred to in points (a) to (h) of Article 42, Member States shall choose in their CAP

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Article 43

Types of intervention in the fruit and vegetables sector

1. As regards the objectives referred to in points (a) to (h) of Article 42, Member States shall choose in their CAP

Strategic Plans **one** or more of the following types of intervention:

- (a) investments in tangible and non-tangible assets, in particular focused on water saving, energy saving, ecological packaging **and** waste reduction;
- (b) research and experimental production, in particular focused on water saving, energy saving, ecological packaging, waste reduction, pest resilience, reduction of risks and impacts of pesticides use, preventing damage caused by adverse climatic events and boosting the use of fruit and vegetable varieties adapted to changing climate conditions;
- (c) organic production;
- (d) integrated production;
- (e) actions to conserve soil and enhance soil carbon;
- (f) actions to create and maintain habitats favourable for biodiversity or to maintain the landscape, including the conservation of its historical features;
- (g) actions to save energy, increase energy efficiency and to increase renewable energy use;
- (h) actions to improve **pest** resilience;
- (i) actions to improve use and management of water, including water saving and drainage;
- (j) actions and measures to reduce waste production and to improve waste

Strategic Plans **three** or more of the following types of intervention

- (a) investments in tangible and non-tangible assets, in particular focused on water saving, energy saving, ecological packaging, waste reduction **and production monitoring**;
- (b) research and experimental production, in particular focused on water saving, energy saving, ecological packaging, waste reduction, pest resilience, reduction of risks and impacts of pesticides use, preventing damage caused by adverse climatic events and boosting the use of fruit and vegetable varieties adapted to changing climate conditions;
- (c) organic production;
- (d) integrated production ***promoting, developing and implementing methods of production respectful of the environment, environmentally sound cultivation practices and production techniques, sustainable use of natural resources in particular protection of water, soil and other natural resources, while reducing chemical dependency***;
- (e) actions to conserve soil and enhance soil carbon;
- (f) actions to create and maintain habitats favourable for biodiversity or to maintain the landscape, including the conservation of its historical features;
- (g) actions to save energy, increase energy efficiency and to increase renewable energy use;
- (h) actions to improve ***sustainable crop resilience against pests by promoting Integrated Pest Management (IPM)***;
- (i) actions to improve use and management of water, including water saving and drainage;
- (j) actions and measures to reduce waste production and to improve waste

management;

(k) actions to increase sustainability and efficiency of transport and of storage of products of the fruit and vegetables sector;

(l) actions to mitigate climate change, to adapt to climate change and to increase renewable energy use;

(m) implementation of Union and national quality schemes;

(n) promotion and communication, including actions and activities aimed at diversification and consolidation of the fruit and vegetables markets and at informing about the health advantages of consumption of fruit and vegetables;

(o) advisory services and technical assistance, in particular concerning sustainable pest control techniques, sustainable use of pesticides and climate change adaptation and mitigation;

(p) training and exchange of best practices in particular concerning sustainable pest control techniques, sustainable use of pesticides and contributing to climate change adaptation and mitigation.

2. As regards the objective referred to in point (i) of Article 42, Member States shall choose in their CAP Strategic Plans one or more of the following types of intervention:

(a) setting up and/or refilling of mutual funds by producer organisations and by associations of producer organisations recognised under Regulation (EU) No 1308/2013;

(b) investments in tangible and non-tangible assets making the management of the volumes placed on the market more

management;

(k) actions to increase sustainability and efficiency of transport and of storage of products of the fruit and vegetables sector;

(l) actions to mitigate climate change, to adapt to climate change and to increase renewable energy use;

(m) implementation of Union and national quality schemes;

(n) promotion and communication, including actions and activities aimed at diversification and consolidation of the fruit and vegetables markets and at informing about the health advantages of consumption of fruit and vegetables;

(o) advisory services and technical assistance, in particular concerning ***the maintaining and the increase of product quality, the improvement of marketing conditions, agroecology***, sustainable pest control techniques, sustainable use of pesticides and climate change adaptation and mitigation;

(p) training and exchange of best practices in particular concerning sustainable pest control techniques, sustainable use of pesticides ***reducing agrochemical dependency*** and contributing to climate change adaptation and mitigation.

2. As regards the objective referred to in point (i) of Article 42, Member States shall choose in their CAP Strategic Plans one or more of the following types of intervention:

(a) setting up and/or refilling of mutual funds by producer organisations and by associations of producer organisations recognised under Regulation (EU) No 1308/2013;

(b) investments in tangible and non-tangible assets making the management of the volumes placed on the market more

efficient;

(c) replanting of orchards where that is necessary following mandatory grubbing up for health or phytosanitary reasons on the instruction of the Member State competent authority;

(d) market withdrawal for free-distribution or other destinations;

(e) green harvesting consisting of the total harvesting on a given area of unripe non-marketable products which have not been damaged prior to the green harvesting, whether due to climatic reasons, disease or otherwise;

(f) non-harvesting of fruit and vegetables consisting of the termination of the current production cycle on the area concerned where the product is well developed and is of sound, fair and marketable quality, excluding destruction of products due to a climatic event or disease;

(g) harvest insurance that contributes to safeguarding producers' incomes where there are losses as a consequence of natural disasters, adverse climatic events, diseases or pest infestations and at the same time ensuring that beneficiaries take necessary risk prevention measures;

(h) coaching to other producer organisations and associations of producer organisations recognised under Regulation (EU) No 1308/2013 or to individual producers;

(i) implementation and management of third country phytosanitary protocols in the territory of the Union to facilitate access to third country markets;

(j) implementation of Union and national quality schemes;

(k) advisory services and technical assistance, in particular concerning sustainable pest control techniques and

efficient;

(c) replanting of orchards where that is necessary following mandatory grubbing up for health or phytosanitary reasons on the instruction of the Member State competent authority;

(d) market withdrawal for free-distribution or other destinations;

(e) green harvesting consisting of the total harvesting on a given area of unripe non-marketable products which have not been damaged prior to the green harvesting, whether due to climatic reasons, disease or otherwise;

(f) non-harvesting of fruit and vegetables consisting of the termination of the current production cycle on the area concerned where the product is well developed and is of sound, fair and marketable quality, excluding destruction of products due to a climatic event or disease;

(g) harvest insurance that contributes to safeguarding producers' incomes where there are losses as a consequence of natural disasters, adverse climatic events, diseases or pest infestations and at the same time ensuring that beneficiaries take necessary risk prevention measures;

(h) coaching to other producer organisations and associations of producer organisations recognised under Regulation (EU) No 1308/2013 or to individual producers;

(i) ***negotiation***, implementation and management of third country phytosanitary protocols in the territory of the Union to facilitate access to third country markets;

(j) implementation of Union and national quality schemes;

(k) advisory services and technical assistance, in particular concerning sustainable pest control techniques, ***implementation of integrated pest***

sustainable use of pesticides.

3. The Member States shall in their CAP Strategic Plans define the interventions corresponding to the types of intervention chosen in accordance with paragraphs 1 and 2.

Amendment 100

Proposal for a regulation Article 48 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

The Member States shall pursue ***at least one of*** the specific objectives referred to in Article 6(1) in the apiculture sector.

Amendment 101

Proposal for a regulation Article 49

Text proposed by the Commission

Article 49

Types of intervention in the apiculture sector and the Union financial assistance

1. Member States shall choose in their CAP Strategic Plans for each specific objective set out in Article 6(1) one or more of the following types of interventions in the apiculture sector:

- (a) technical assistance to beekeepers and beekeepers' organisations;
- (b) actions to combat beehive invaders and diseases, in particular varroasis;
- (c) actions to rationalise transhumance;
- (d) actions to support laboratories for

management and sustainable use of pesticides.

3. The Member States shall in their CAP Strategic Plans define the interventions corresponding to the types of intervention chosen in accordance with paragraphs 1 and 2.

Amendment

Notwithstanding the respect of Articles 5 and 6 on overall objectives, the Member States shall pursue the specific objectives referred to in Article 6(1) in the apiculture sector.

Amendment

Article 49

Types of intervention in the apiculture sector and the Union financial assistance

1. Member States shall choose in their CAP Strategic Plans for each specific objective set out in Article 6(1) one or more of the following types of interventions in the apiculture sector:

- (a) technical assistance to beekeepers and beekeepers' organisations;
- (b) actions to combat beehive invaders and diseases, in particular varroasis;
- (c) actions to rationalise transhumance;
- (d) actions to support laboratories for

the analysis of apiculture products;

(e) restocking of beehives in the Union;

(f) cooperation with specialised bodies for the implementation of research programs in the field of beekeeping and apiculture products;

(g) market monitoring actions;

(h) actions to enhance product quality.

2. Member States shall substantiate in their CAP Strategic Plans their choice of specific objectives and types of intervention. Within the chosen types of intervention, Member States shall define the interventions.

3. Member States shall set out in their CAP Strategic Plans the funding provided by them for the types of intervention chosen in their CAP Strategic Plans.

4. The Union financial assistance to the interventions referred to in paragraph 2 shall be maximum 50% of the expenditure. The remaining part of the expenditure shall be borne by the Member States.

5. When drawing up their CAP Strategic Plans Member States shall seek the advice of the representatives of organisations in the beekeeping field.

6. Member States shall notify the Commission annually of the number of beehives in their territory.

the analysis of apiculture products;

(e) restocking of beehives in the Union;

(f) cooperation with specialised bodies for the implementation of research programs in the field of beekeeping and apiculture products;

(g) market monitoring actions;

(h) actions to enhance product quality.

2. Member States shall substantiate in their CAP Strategic Plans their choice of specific objectives and types of intervention. Within the chosen types of intervention, Member States shall define the interventions.

3. Member States shall set out in their CAP Strategic Plans the funding provided by them for the types of intervention chosen in their CAP Strategic Plans.

4. The Union financial assistance to the interventions referred to in paragraph 2 shall be maximum 50% of the expenditure. The remaining part of the expenditure shall be borne by the Member States.

5. When drawing up their CAP Strategic Plans Member States shall seek the advice of the representatives of organisations in the beekeeping field.

6. Member States shall notify the Commission annually of the number of beehives in their territory.

Amendment 102

Proposal for a regulation Article 51

Text proposed by the Commission

Article 51

Objectives in the wine sector

Member States shall pursue one or more of

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Article 51

Objectives in the wine sector

Notwithstanding Articles 5 and 6 on

the following objectives in the wine sector:

(a) improve competitiveness of Union wine producers including contributing to improvement of sustainable production systems and reduction of environmental impact of the Union wine sector; those objectives relate to the specific objectives set out in points (b) to (f) and (h) of Article 6(1);

(b) improve performance of Union wine enterprises and their adaptation to market demands, as well as increase their competitiveness as regards the production and marketing of grapevine products, including energy savings, global energy efficiency and sustainable processes; those objectives relate to the specific objectives set out in points (a), to (e), (g) and (h) of Article 6(1);

(c) contribute to restoring the balance of supply and demand in the Union wine market in order to prevent market crises; that objective relates to the specific objective set out in point (a) of Article 6(1);

(d) contribute to safeguarding Union wine producers' incomes where they incur losses as a consequence of natural disasters, adverse climatic events, animals, diseases or pest infestations; that objective relates to the objective set out in point (a) of Article 6(1);

(e) increase the marketability and competitiveness of Union grapevine products, in particular by developing innovative products, processes and technologies, and by adding value at any

overall objectives, Member States shall pursue ***the following objectives (a) and (ia) and one or more of the following objectives (b) to (i)*** in the wine sector:

(a) improve competitiveness of Union wine producers including contributing to improvement of sustainable production systems and reduction of environmental impact of the Union wine sector. ***This includes the implementation of production methods respectful of the environment, environmentally sound cultivation practices and production techniques, sustainable use of natural resources, while reducing pesticide dependency***; those objectives relate to the specific objectives set out in points (b) to (f) and (h) of Article 6(1);

(b) improve performance of Union wine enterprises and their adaptation to market demands, as well as increase their ***long-term*** competitiveness as regards the production and marketing of grapevine products, including energy savings, global energy efficiency and sustainable processes; those objectives relate to the specific objectives set out in points (a), to (e), (g) and (h) of Article 6(1);

(c) contribute to restoring the balance of supply and demand in the Union wine market in order to prevent market crises; that objective relates to the specific objective set out in point (a) of Article 6(1);

(d) contribute to safeguarding Union wine producers' incomes where they incur losses as a consequence of natural disasters, adverse climatic events, animals, diseases or pest infestations; that objective relates to the objective set out in point (a) of Article 6(1);

(e) increase the marketability and competitiveness of Union grapevine products, in particular by developing innovative products, processes and technologies, and by adding value at any

stage of the supply chain, including an element of knowledge transfer; that objective relates to the specific objectives set out in points (a), (b), (c), (e) and (i) of Article 6(1);

(f) use of wine making by-products for industrial and energy purposes ensuring the quality of Union wine while protecting the environment; that objective relates to the specific objectives set out in points (d) and (e) of Article 6(1);

(g) contribute to increasing consumer awareness about responsible consumption of wine ***and about Union quality schemes for wine***; that objective relates to the specific objectives set out in points (b) and (i) of Article 6(1);

(h) ***improve competitiveness of Union grapevine products in third countries; that objective relates to the objectives set out in points (b) and (h) of Article 6(1);***

(i) contribute to increasing resilience of producers against market fluctuations; that objective relates to the objectives set out in point (a) of Article 6(1).

stage of the supply chain, including an element of knowledge transfer; that objective relates to the specific objectives set out in points (a), (b), (c), (e) and (i) of Article 6(1);

(f) use of wine making by-products ***and residues*** for industrial and energy purposes ensuring the quality of Union wine while protecting the environment; that objective relates to the specific objectives set out in points (d) and (e) of Article 6(1);

(g) contribute to increasing consumer awareness about responsible consumption of wine; that objective relates to the specific objectives set out in points (b) and (i) of Article 6(1);

(i) contribute to increasing resilience of producers against market fluctuations; that objective relates to the objectives set out in point (a) of Article 6(1).

(ia) contribute to climate change mitigation and adaptation; this objective relates to the specific objectives set out in point (d) of Article 6(1).

Amendment 103

Proposal for a regulation

Article 52 – paragraph 1 – introductory part

Text proposed by the Commission

1. For each objective chosen from among those laid down in Article 51 the Member States shall choose in their CAP Strategic Plans ***one*** or more of the following types of intervention:

Amendment

1. For each objective chosen from among those laid down in Article 51 the Member States shall choose in their CAP Strategic Plans ***two*** or more of the following types of intervention:

Amendment 104

Proposal for a regulation

Article 52 – paragraph 1 – point a

Text proposed by the Commission

(a) restructuring and conversion of vineyards, including replanting of vineyards where that is necessary following mandatory grubbing up for health or phytosanitary reasons on the instruction of the Member State competent authority, but excluding the normal renewal of vineyards consisting of replanting of the same parcel of land with the same grape variety according to the same system of vine cultivation, when vines have to come to the end of their natural life;

Amendment

(a) restructuring and conversion of vineyards, including ***enhancement of the genetic diversity of vineyards, as well as structural and non-crop biological diversity to prevent monocultural landscapes, soil care including vegetative cover and pesticide-free weed control,*** replanting of vineyards where that is necessary following mandatory grubbing up for health or phytosanitary reasons on the instruction of the Member State competent authority, ***or after voluntary grubbing for planting for reasons of adaptation to climate change,*** but excluding the normal renewal of vineyards consisting of replanting of the same parcel of land with the same grape variety according to the same system of vine cultivation, when vines have to come to the end of their natural life;

Justification

This amendment aims to introduce in vineyard restructuring actions the possibility of financing voluntary grubbing-up for replanting for reasons of adaptation to climate change

Amendment 105

Proposal for a regulation

Article 52 – paragraph 1 – point d

Text proposed by the Commission

(d) harvest insurance against income losses as a consequence of adverse climatic events assimilated to natural disasters, adverse climatic events, animals, plant diseases or pest infestations;

Amendment

(d) harvest insurance against income losses as a consequence of adverse climatic events assimilated to natural disasters, adverse climatic events, animals, plant diseases or pest infestations; ***no insurance shall be given unless producers actively undertake measures to minimise these***

risks;

Justification

Risk management/insurance, must not fossilise irresponsible/ outdated farming practices, otherwise this will result in huge overspending from increasingly limited rural development funds. Climate change and associated extreme weather events have been a reality for a decade already, so any forward looking and financially/resource efficient policy would encourage this eventuality to be planned for. Rather, the CAP should provide the support for farmers to adapt to those climate change and other effects, funded through other parts of rural development and Eco schemes.

Amendment 106

Proposal for a regulation

Article 52 – paragraph 1 – point g

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(g) information actions concerning Union wines carried out in Member States encouraging responsible consumption of wine or promoting Union quality schemes covering designations of origin and geographical indications; **deleted**

Justification

The option to fund wine promotion measures both on the internal market and in third countries should be ended as a way to phase-out health incompatible subsidies and ensure an efficient use of public money, as well as to implement the principle of policy coherence for development (PCD).

Amendment 107

Proposal for a regulation

Article 52 – paragraph 1 – point h

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(h) promotion carried out in third countries, consisting of one or more of the following: **deleted**

(i) public relations, promotion or advertisement actions, in particular highlighting the high standards of the

Union products, especially in terms of quality, food safety or the environment;

(ii) participation at events, fairs or exhibitions of international importance;

(iii) information campaigns, in particular on the Union quality schemes concerning designations of origin, geographical indications and organic production;

(iv) studies of new markets, necessary for the expansion of market outlets;

(v) studies to evaluate the results of the information and promotion measures;

(vi) preparation of technical files, including laboratory tests and assessments, concerning oenological practices, phytosanitary and hygiene rules, as well as other third country requirements for import of products of the wine sector, to facilitate access to third country markets;

Justification

In a period where CAP funding is being reduced, CAP should not subsidise promotion in third countries. The fact that Champagne brands, including big multinationals who do not need the money, are among the biggest CAP beneficiaries in France because of EU-subsidised promotion campaigns has raised a lot of criticism. We need to put an end to these practices and stop financing promotion campaigns.

Amendment 108

Proposal for a regulation

Article 52 – paragraph 1 – point i a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(ia) actions to improve water use and management, including water conservation and drainage;

Amendment 109

Proposal for a regulation

Article 52 – paragraph 1 – point i b (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(ib) organic farming;

Amendment 110

Proposal for a regulation

Article 52 – paragraph 1 – point i c (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(ic) other actions, including actions for:

(i) soil conservation and carbon enhancement in soils;

(ii) the creation or preservation of habitats favourable to biodiversity or the maintenance of the natural area, including the conservation of its historical characteristics;

(iii) improving resilience to pests and vine diseases;

(iv) reduction of waste generation and improvement of waste management.

Amendment 111

Proposal for a regulation

Article 53 – paragraph 4 – introductory part

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

4. The Union financial assistance for harvest insurance referred to in point (d) of Article 52(1) shall not exceed:

4. The Union financial assistance for harvest insurance referred to in point (d) of Article 52(1) shall ***be paid only for producers who undertake measures that actively minimise or eliminate risks (such as soil protection, deepening top soil, adding structural, biological and genetic diversity in the cultivated landscape), and shall*** not exceed:

Amendment 112

Proposal for a regulation

Article 53 – paragraph 4 – point b – point i

Text proposed by the Commission

(i) losses referred to in point (a) and against losses caused by adverse climatic events;

Amendment

(i) **unavoidable** losses referred to in point (a) and against losses caused by adverse climatic events;

Justification

Risk management/insurance, must not fossilise irresponsible/ outdated farming practices, otherwise this will result in huge overspending from increasingly limited rural development funds. Climate change and associated extreme weather events have been a reality for a decade already, so any forward looking and financially/resource efficient policy would encourage this eventuality to be planned for. Rather, the CAP should provide the support for farmers to adapt to those climate change and other effects, funded through other parts of rural development and Eco schemes.

Amendment 113

Proposal for a regulation

Article 53 – paragraph 4 – point b – point ii

Text proposed by the Commission

(ii) losses caused by animals, plant diseases or pest infestations.

Amendment

(ii) **unavoidable** losses caused by animals, plant diseases or pest infestations.

Amendment 114

Proposal for a regulation

Article 53 – paragraph 6

Text proposed by the Commission

6. The Union financial assistance for information actions and promotion referred to in points (g) and (h) of Article 52(1) shall not exceed **50%** of eligible expenditure.

Amendment

6. The Union financial assistance for information actions and promotion referred to in points (g) and (h) of Article 52(1) shall not exceed **20%** of eligible expenditure.

Justification

In a period where CAP funding is being reduced, Champagne brands including big multinationals who do not need the money, are among the biggest CAP beneficiaries in France (for example), because they are beneficiaries of EU-subsidised promotion campaigns. This is not acceptable, therefore the EU funding for this measure must be reduced so it can be spent where funding is really needed.

Amendment 115

Proposal for a regulation

Article 54 – paragraph 4

Text proposed by the Commission

4. The Member States concerned shall set in their CAP Strategic Plans a minimum **percentage** of expenditure for actions aimed at protection of the environment, adaption to climate change, improving sustainability of production systems and processes, reduction of environmental impact of the Union wine sector, energy savings and improving global energy efficiency in the wine sector.

Amendment

4. The Member States concerned shall set in their CAP Strategic Plans a minimum **20%** of expenditure for actions aimed at protection of the environment, adaption to climate change, improving sustainability of production systems and processes, reduction of environmental impact of the Union wine sector, energy savings and improving global energy efficiency in the wine sector.

Justification

This percentage, allocated for the environment- and climate-relevant actions listed, is the same as under the fruit and vegetable interventions.

Amendment 116

Proposal for a regulation

Article 54 – paragraph 4 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

4a. Member States shall ensure that the total annual amount received by a single ultimate beneficiary for interventions in the wine sector does not exceed EUR 200 000 .

Justification

The fact that several Champagne brands owned by the same multinational company have received several millions Euros in the ongoing programming period has raised outrage in France. Clear limits should be put.

Amendment 117

Proposal for a regulation

Article 54 – paragraph 4 b (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

4b. Support shall be conditional upon environment and biodiversity requirements that go beyond the minimum standards, with particular focus on maintenance of landscape features and implementing management practices beneficial for biodiversity.

Amendment 118

Proposal for a regulation

Article 55 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

2. The Member State referred to in Article 82(3) shall define in its CAP Strategic Plan ***one*** or more of the types of intervention referred to in Article 60 to pursue the objectives chosen as laid down in paragraph 1. Within the chosen types of intervention they shall define interventions. The Member State referred to in Article 82(3) shall substantiate in its CAP Strategic Plan the choice of objectives, types of intervention and interventions to meet those objectives.

2. The Member State referred to in Article 82(3) shall define in its CAP Strategic Plan ***two*** or more of the types of intervention referred to in Article 60 to pursue the objectives chosen as laid down in paragraph 1. Within the chosen types of intervention they shall define interventions. The Member State referred to in Article 82(3) shall substantiate in its CAP Strategic Plan the choice of objectives, types of intervention and interventions to meet those objectives.

Amendment 119

Proposal for a regulation

Article 56

Article 56

Objectives in the olive oil and table olives sector

The Member States referred to in Article 82(4) shall pursue **one or more of** the following objectives in the olive oil and table olives sector:

- (a) reinforcing the organisation and management of production of olive oil and table olives; that objective relates to the specific objectives set out in points (a) and (b) of Article 6(1);
- (b) improvement of medium and long term competitiveness of the olive oil and table olives sector, in particular through modernisation; that objective relate to the specific objective set out in point (c) of Article 6(1);
- (c) reduction of environmental impact of and contribution to climate action through olive cultivation; that objectives relate to the specific objectives set out in points (d) and (e) of Article 6(1);
- (d) improvement of quality of olive oil and table olives; that objective relate to the specific objective set out in point (f) of Article 6(1);
- (e) research and development of sustainable production methods, including **pest** resilience, innovative practices boosting economic competitiveness and bolstering market developments; that objective relates to the specific objectives set out in points (a), (c) and (i) of Article 6(1);

Article 56

Objectives in the olive oil and table olives sector

Notwithstanding Articles 5 and 6 on overall objectives, the Member States referred to in Article 82(4) shall pursue the following **objective (c) and may pursue one or more of the following** objectives in the olive oil and table olives sector:

- (a) reinforcing the organisation and management of production of olive oil and table olives; that objective relates to the specific objectives set out in points (a) and (b) of Article 6(1);
- (b) improvement of medium and long term competitiveness of the olive oil and table olives sector, in particular through modernisation; that objective relate to the specific objective set out in point (c) of Article 6(1);
- (c) reduction of environmental impact of and contribution to climate action, **adaptation and mitigation of climate change, through olive cultivation including by promoting polycultural landscapes, enhancing soil care**; that objectives relate to the specific objectives set out in points (d) and (e) **and (f)** of Article 6(1);
- (d) improvement of quality of olive oil and table olives; that objective relate to the specific objective set out in point (f) of Article 6(1);
- (e) research and development of sustainable production methods, including **system approaches to managing pests, integrated pest management, maintenance and recovery of biodiversity, agroecosystem** resilience, innovative practices boosting economic competitiveness and bolstering market developments; that objective relates to the

(f) crisis prevention and management, aimed at improving pest resilience, avoiding and dealing with crises in the olive oil and table olives markets; that objective relate to the specific objective set out in point (h) of Article 6(1).

specific objectives set out in points (a), (c) and (i) of Article 6(1);

(f) crisis prevention and management, aimed at improving pest resilience, avoiding and dealing with crises in the olive oil and table olives markets; that objective relate to the specific objective set out in point (h) of Article 6(1).

(fa) protection and enhancement of biodiversity and ecosystem services including soil retention.

Amendment 120

Proposal for a regulation Article 57 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

1. To pursue the objectives referred to in Article 56, the Member States referred to in Article 82(4) shall choose in their CAP Strategic Plans **one** or more of the types of interventions referred to in Article 60. Within the chosen types of intervention, they shall define interventions.

Amendment

1. To pursue the objectives referred to in Article 56, the Member States referred to in Article 82(4) shall choose in their CAP Strategic Plans **two** or more of the types of interventions referred to in Article 60. Within the chosen types of intervention, they shall define interventions.

Amendment 121

Proposal for a regulation Article 58 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

SECTION 6a

THE LEGUMINOUS CROPS SECTOR

Article 58a

***Objectives of the leguminous crops sector
Notwithstanding respect of Articles 5 and 6 on overall objectives, Member States shall pursue the following objectives in the leguminous crops sector:***

(a) The scheme shall increase sustainable legume production and consumption across the Union, to increase self-sufficiency of food and feed according to the targets set in Annex I.

(b) Arable leguminous crops supported with this payment shall be part of a crop rotation of at least four years, or a mix of species in temporary grassland on arable land. This shall be compatible with schemes for the climate and environment (“eco-schemes”) in Article 28, under which rotations of four years and more can be rewarded. The scheme may also reward under-cropping or intercropping e.g. by subterranean clover which is not otherwise rewarded under other measures.

(c) Pasture based grazing of high species diversity pasture or mowing of high species diversity meadow for fodder on genuinely permanent pasture that contains leguminous species in the sward may also be subsidised, on the condition that re-ploughing and re-seeding (“refreshing”) does not occur.

(d) Monocultural or continuous cropping of leguminous crops shall not be supported by these payments.

(e) Decreasing dependency on concentrated feed mix containing soya, especially imported soya originating from land that has recently been deforested or converted, in line with the SDG 15, the Union pledge on zero deforestation and existing private company commitments on zero deforestation.

(f) Closing nutrient cycling loops and tightening them to local and regional river basin scales in line with Directive 2000/60/EC.

(g) Boosting local and regional markets in food and animal feed and locally adapted low input seed varieties.

Measures financed under this sector shall be coherent with Union climatic and environmental commitments and legislation, and not cause direct or indirect land use change, having a genuinely positive impact on global greenhouse gas emissions according to GLOBIOM.

Amendment 122

Proposal for a regulation Article 58 b (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

Article 58b

Types of interventions

As regards the objectives referred to in Article 58a, Member States shall choose in their CAP Strategic Plans one or more of the following types of interventions:

- (a) investments in tangible and non-tangible assets; research and experimental production, as well as other actions, including actions for:*
 - (i) soil conservation, including the genuine and proven enhancement of soil carbon without systemic reliance on pesticides;*
 - (ii) increasing efficiency of water use and management, including water saving;*
 - (iii) promoting the use of varieties and management practices adapted to changing climate conditions;*
 - (iv) improving management practices to increase pest resilience of crops to pests and decreasing susceptibility to pests;*
 - (v) reduction of pesticide use and dependency;*
 - (vi) creating and maintaining agricultural habitats favourable to*

- biodiversity, without use of pesticides;*
- (b) advisory services and technical assistance, in particular regarding climate change adaptation and mitigation, also on selection by the farmer of the most appropriate crop rotation;*
- (c) training including coaching and exchange of best practices;*
- (d) organic production and techniques;*
- (e) actions to increase the sustainability and efficiency of transport and of storage of products.*

Amendment 123

Proposal for a regulation Article 59

Text proposed by the Commission

Article 59

Objectives in other sectors

The Member States shall pursue one or more of the following objectives in the other sectors referred to in point (f) of Article 39:

- (a) planning of production, adjusting production to demand, particularly in terms of quality and quantity, optimisation of production costs and returns on investments and stabilising producer prices; those objectives relate to the specific objectives set out in points (a), (b), (c) and (i) of Article 6(1);
- (b) concentration of supply and placing on the market of the products concerned; those objectives relate to the specific objectives set out in points (a) and (c) of Article 6(1);
- (c) research and development of

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Article 59

Objectives in other sectors

Notwithstanding Articles 5 and 6 on overall objectives, the Member States shall pursue the following objectives **(d) and (e) and may pursue one or more of the other objectives** in the other sectors referred to in point (f) of Article 39:

- (a) planning of production, adjusting production to demand, particularly in terms of quality **diversity** and quantity, optimisation of production costs and returns on investments and stabilising producer prices; those objectives relate to the specific objectives set out in points (a), (b), (c) and (i) of Article 6(1);
- (b) concentration of supply and placing on the market of the products concerned; those objectives relate to the specific objectives set out in points (a) and (c) of Article 6(1);
- (c) research and development of

sustainable production methods, including pest resilience, innovative practices and production techniques boosting economic competitiveness and bolstering market developments; those objectives relate to the specific objectives set out in points (a), (c) and (i) of Article 6(1);

(d) promoting, developing and implementing methods of production respectful of the environment, of animal welfare standards, pest resilient and environmentally sound cultivation practices, production techniques and production methods, environmentally sound use and management of by-products and waste, sustainable use of natural resources in particular protection of water, soil and other natural resources; those objectives relate to the specific objectives set out in points (e) and (f) of Article 6(1);

(e) contribute to climate change mitigation and adaptation, as set out in point (d) of Article 6(1);

(f) boosting products' commercial value and quality, including improving product quality and developing products with a protected designation of origin, with a protected geographical indication or covered by a national quality schemes; those objectives relate to the specific objective set out in point (b) of Article 6(1);

(g) *promotion and marketing of the products of one or more sectors referred to in point (f) of Article 40; those objectives relate to the specific objectives set out in points (b) and (c) of Article 6(1);*

(h) crisis prevention and risk

sustainable production methods, including ***agroforestry***, pest resilience, ***soil care including vegetative cover, as well as*** innovative practices and production techniques boosting ***long term*** economic competitiveness and bolstering market developments; those objectives relate to the specific objectives set out in points (a), (c) and (i) of Article 6(1);

(d) promoting, developing and implementing methods of production respectful of the environment, of animal welfare standards, pest ***and disease*** resilient and environmentally sound cultivation practices ***including by encouraging Integrated Pest Management***, production techniques and production methods, ***measures to improve biosecurity and animal disease resilience while reducing antibiotic use***, environmentally sound use and management of by-products and waste, ***restoration and*** sustainable use of natural resources in particular protection of water, soil and other natural resources, ***emissions reduction and energy efficiency***; those objectives relate to the specific objectives set out in points (e) and (f) of Article 6(1);

(e) contribute to climate change mitigation and adaptation, as set out in point (d) of Article 6(1);

(f) boosting products' commercial value and quality, including improving product quality and developing products with a protected designation of origin, with a protected geographical indication or covered by a national quality schemes; those objectives relate to the specific objective set out in point (b) of Article 6(1);

(h) crisis prevention and risk

management, aimed at avoiding and dealing with crises in the markets within one or more sectors referred to in point (f) of Article 39; those objectives relate to the specific objectives set out in points (a), (b) and (c). Article 6(1).

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Proposal for a regulation Article 60

Text proposed by the Commission

Article 60

Types of intervention

1. As regards the objectives referred to in points (a) to (g) of Article 59 Member States shall choose in their CAP Strategic Plans **one** or more of the following types of intervention:

(a) investments in tangible and non-tangible assets; research and experimental production, as well as other actions, including actions for:

(i) soil conservation, including the enhancement of soil carbon;

(ii) improvement of the use of and management of water, including water saving and drainage;

(iii) preventing damage caused by adverse climatic events and promoting the use of varieties and management practices adapted to changing climate conditions;

(iv) energy saving and energy efficiency increase;

(v) ecological packaging;

(vi) animal health and welfare;

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Article 60

Types of intervention

1. As regards the objectives referred to in points (a) to (g) of Article 59 Member States shall choose in their CAP Strategic Plans **two** or more of the following types of intervention:

(a) investments in tangible and non-tangible assets; research and experimental production, as well as other actions, including actions for:

(i) soil conservation **and rebuilding soil fertility and structure**, including the enhancement of soil carbon **and reduction of contaminants in fertilising products**;

(ii) improvement of the use of and management of water, including water saving and drainage;

(iii) preventing damage caused by adverse climatic events and promoting the use of varieties and management practices adapted to changing climate conditions;

(iv) energy saving and energy efficiency increase;

(v) **reduction of waste through less packaging and** ecological packaging;

(vi) animal health and welfare, **including sustainable management and the prevention of tropical and zoonotic**

(vii) reducing waste production and improving the use and management of by-products and waste;

(viii) improving *pest resilience*;

(ix) *reducing risks and impacts* of pesticide use;

(xi) creating and maintaining habitats favourable to biodiversity;

(b) advisory services and technical assistance, in particular regarding climate change *adaptation and* mitigation;

(c) training including coaching and exchange of best practices;

(d) organic production;

(e) actions to increase the sustainability and efficiency of transport and of storage of products of one or more of the sectors referred to in point (f) of Article 40;

(f) *promotion, communication and marketing including actions and activities aimed in particular at raising consumer awareness about the Union quality schemes and the importance of healthy diets, and at diversification of markets;*

(g) implementation of Union and national quality schemes;

(h) implementation of traceability and certification systems, in particular the monitoring of the quality of products sold to final consumers.

2. As regards the objective referred to

diseases;

(vii) reducing *emissions generation and* waste production and improving the use and management of by-products and waste;

(viii) improving *crop resilience to pests by promoting Integrated Pest Management including appropriate management and cultivation practices*;

(ix) *significant reduction* of pesticide use;

(ixa) *improving animal disease resilience and reducing antibiotic use;*

(xi) creating and maintaining habitats favourable to biodiversity;

(b) advisory services and technical assistance, in particular regarding *production quality, biodiversity and the environment*, climate change mitigation *and adaptation; and combating pests and animal diseases*;

(c) training including coaching and exchange of best practices *in particular on organic farming, permaculture design courses, and carbon enhancing practices*;

(d) organic production;

(e) actions to increase the sustainability and efficiency of transport and of storage of products of one or more of the sectors referred to in point (f) of Article 40;

(g) implementation of Union and national quality schemes;

(h) implementation of traceability and certification systems, in particular the monitoring of the quality of products sold to final consumers.

2. As regards the objective referred to

in point (h) of Article 59, Member States shall choose in their CAP Strategic Plans one or more of the following types of intervention:

- (a) setting up and/or refilling of mutual funds by producer organisations recognised under Regulation (EU) No 1308/2013;
- (b) investments in tangible and non-tangible assets making the management of the volumes placed on the market more efficient;
- (c) collective storage of products produced by the producer organisation or by members of the producer organisation;
- (d) replanting of orchards where that is necessary following mandatory grubbing up for health or phytosanitary reasons on the instruction of the Member State competent authority or to adapt to climate change;
- (e) market withdrawal for free-distribution or other destinations;
- (f) green harvesting consisting of the total harvesting on a given area of unripe non-marketable products which have not been damaged prior to the green harvesting, whether due to climatic reasons, disease or otherwise;
- (g) non-harvesting consisting of the termination of the current production cycle on the area concerned where the product is well developed and is of sound, fair and marketable quality, excluding destruction of products due to a climatic event or disease;
- (h) harvest and production insurance that contributes to safeguarding producers' incomes where there are losses as a consequence of natural disasters, adverse climatic events, diseases or pest infestations and at the same time ensuring that beneficiaries take necessary risk prevention measures.

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- (a) setting up and/or refilling of mutual funds by producer organisations recognised under Regulation (EU) No 1308/2013;
- (b) investments in tangible and non-tangible assets making the management of the volumes placed on the market more efficient;
- (c) collective storage of products produced by the producer organisation or by members of the producer organisation;
- (d) replanting of orchards ***or olive groves*** where that is necessary following mandatory grubbing up for health or phytosanitary reasons on the instruction of the Member State competent authority or to adapt to climate change;
- (e) market withdrawal for free-distribution or other destinations;
- (f) green harvesting consisting of the total harvesting on a given area of unripe non-marketable products which have not been damaged prior to the green harvesting, whether due to climatic reasons, disease or otherwise;
- (g) non-harvesting consisting of the termination of the current production cycle on the area concerned where the product is well developed and is of sound, fair and marketable quality, excluding destruction of products due to a climatic event or disease;
- (h) harvest and production insurance that contributes to safeguarding producers' incomes where there are losses as a consequence of natural disasters, adverse climatic events, diseases or pest infestations and at the same time ensuring that ***all*** beneficiaries take necessary risk prevention measures. ***No insurance shall be given, unless producers actively***

3. Member States shall choose in the CAP Strategic Plans the sectors in which they implement the types of intervention laid down in this Article. For each sector, they shall choose one or more objectives from among those laid down in Article 59 and the types of intervention as laid down in paragraphs 1 and 2 of this Article. For each type of intervention, the Member States shall define interventions. The Member States shall substantiate their choice of sectors, objectives, types of intervention and interventions.

undertake measures to minimise their risks.

3. Member States shall choose in the CAP Strategic Plans the sectors in which they implement the types of intervention laid down in this Article. For each sector, they shall choose one or more objectives from among those laid down in Article 59 and the types of intervention as laid down in paragraphs 1 and 2 of this Article. For each type of intervention, the Member States shall define interventions. The Member States shall substantiate their choice of sectors, objectives, types of intervention and interventions.

Amendment 125

Proposal for a regulation Article 64

Text proposed by the Commission

Article 64

Types of interventions for rural development

The types of interventions under this Chapter shall be the following:

- (a) environmental, climate and other management commitments;
- (b) natural or other area-specific constraints;
- (c) Area-specific disadvantages resulting from certain mandatory requirements;
- (d) investments;
- (e) installation of young farmers and rural business start-up;
- (f) risk management tools;
- (g) cooperation;

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Article 64

Types of interventions for rural development

The types of interventions under this Chapter shall be the following:

- (a) environmental, climate and other management commitments ***beneficial to the environment***;
- (b) natural or other area-specific constraints;
- (c) Area-specific disadvantages resulting from certain mandatory requirements;
- (d) investments;
- (e) installation of young farmers and rural business start-up ***and sustainable business development***;
- (f) risk management tools;
- (g) cooperation;

(h) knowledge exchange and information.

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Amendment 126

Proposal for a regulation Article 65

Text proposed by the Commission

Article 65

Environmental, climate and other management commitments

1. Member States may grant payments for environmental, climate and other management commitments under the conditions set out in this Article and as further specified in their CAP Strategic Plans.
2. Member States shall include agri-environment-climate commitments in their CAP Strategic Plans.
3. Member States may make support under this type of interventions available throughout their territories, in accordance with their national, regional or local specific needs.
4. Member States shall only grant payments to farmers and other beneficiaries who undertake, on a voluntary basis, management commitments which are considered to be beneficial to achieving the specific objectives set out in Article 6(1).
5. Under this type of interventions, Member States shall only provide

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Article 65

Environmental, climate and other management commitments ***beneficial to the environment***

1. Member States may grant payments for environmental, climate and other management commitments ***beneficial to the environment*** under the conditions set out in this Article and as further specified in their CAP Strategic Plans
2. Member States shall include agri-environment-climate commitments in their CAP Strategic Plans ***in accordance with points (d), (e) and (f) of Article 6(1). In accordance with the second subparagraph of Article 86(2), at least 40% of funds from the EAFRD are allocated for these commitments.***
3. Member States may make support under this type of interventions available throughout their territories, in accordance with their national, regional or local specific needs.
4. Member States shall only grant payments to farmers ***or groups of farmers,*** and other beneficiaries who undertake, on a voluntary basis, management commitments which are considered to be beneficial ***and targeted*** to achieving the specific objectives set out in ***points (d), (e), and (f) of Article 6(1) or which enhance animal welfare.***
5. Under this type of interventions, ***for agricultural areas,*** Member States shall

payments covering commitments which:

- (a) go beyond the relevant statutory management requirements and standards of good agricultural and environmental condition established under Section 2 of Chapter I of this Title;
- (b) go beyond the minimum requirements for the use of fertiliser and plant protection products, animal welfare, as well as other mandatory requirements established by national and Union law;
- (c) go beyond the conditions established for the maintenance of the agricultural area in accordance with point (a) of Article 4(1);
- (d) are different from commitments in respect of which payments are granted under Article 28.

6. Member States shall compensate beneficiaries for costs incurred and income foregone resulting from the commitments made. Where necessary, they may also cover transaction costs. In duly justified cases, Member States may grant support as a flat-rate or as a one-off payment per unit. Payments shall be granted annually.

7. Member States may promote and support collective schemes and result-based payments schemes to encourage farmers to deliver a significant enhancement of the quality of the environment at a larger scale and in a measurable way.

only provide payments covering commitments which ***do not result in double financing in respect of which payments are granted under this Regulation and which:***

- (a) go beyond the relevant statutory management requirements and standards of good agricultural and environmental condition established under Section 2 of Chapter I of this Title;
- (b) go beyond the minimum requirements for the use of fertiliser and plant protection products, animal welfare, as well as other mandatory requirements established by national and Union law;
- (c) go beyond the conditions established for the maintenance of the agricultural area in accordance with point (a) of Article 4(1);
- (d) are different from, ***or complementary to***, commitments in respect of which payments are granted under Article 28.

6. Member States shall compensate beneficiaries for costs incurred and income foregone resulting from the commitments made. ***Member States may increase the compensation with an additional bonus for deliverance of public goods, as an incentive, based on non-discriminatory criteria and the indicators set up under this Regulation, in order to offer an effective incentive for participation.*** Where necessary, they may also cover transaction costs. In duly justified cases, Member States may grant support as a flat-rate or as a one-off payment per unit. Payments shall be granted annually.

7. Member States may promote and support collective schemes and result-based payments schemes to encourage farmers ***or groups of farmers*** to deliver a significant enhancement of the quality of the environment at a larger scale and in a measurable way.

8. Commitments shall be undertaken for a period of five to seven years. However, where necessary in order to achieve or maintain certain environmental benefits sought, Member States may determine a longer period in the CAP Strategic Plan for particular types of commitments, including by means of providing for their annual extension after the termination of the initial period. In exceptional and duly justified cases, and for new commitments directly following the commitment performed in the initial period, Member States may determine a shorter period in their CAP Strategic Plans.

9. Where support under this type of interventions is granted to agri-environment-climate commitments, commitments to convert to or maintain organic farming practices and methods as defined in Regulation (EC) No 834/2007 **and forest environmental and climate services**, Member States shall establish a payment per hectare.

10. Member States shall ensure that persons carrying out operations under this type of interventions have access to the knowledge and information required to implement such operations.

11. Member States shall ensure that interventions under this Article are consistent with those granted under Article 28.

Amendment 127

Proposal for a regulation Article 66

8. Commitments shall be undertaken for a period of five to seven years. However, where necessary in order to achieve or maintain certain environmental benefits sought, Member States may determine a longer period in the CAP Strategic Plan for particular types of commitments, including by means of providing for their annual extension after the termination of the initial period. In exceptional and duly justified cases, and for new commitments directly following the commitment performed in the initial period, Member States may determine a shorter period in their CAP Strategic Plans.

9. Where support under this type of interventions is granted to agri-environment-climate commitments, commitments to convert to or maintain organic farming practices and methods as defined in Regulation (EC) No 834/2007, Member States shall establish a payment per hectare **or holding**.

9a. As regards aid for organic farming under this Article, payments shall be made to genuine farmers as defined in point (d) of Article 4(1).

10. Member States shall ensure that persons carrying out operations under this type of interventions have access to the knowledge and information required to implement such operations.

11. Member States shall ensure that interventions under this Article are consistent with those granted under Article 28.

Article 66

deleted

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.***
- 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.***
- 5. Payments shall be granted annually per hectare of area.***

Justification

Deferral in the first pillar (Article 28a).

Amendment 128

**Proposal for a regulation
Article 67**

Article 67

Area-specific disadvantages resulting from certain mandatory requirements

1. Member States may grant payments for area-specific disadvantages imposed by requirements resulting from the implementation of Directives 92/43/EEC and 2009/147/EC or Directive 2000/60/EC 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 may be granted to farmers, forest holders *and* other land managers in respect of areas with disadvantages referred to in paragraph 1.

3. When defining areas with disadvantages Member States may include the following areas:

(a) Natura 2000 agricultural and forest areas designated pursuant to Directives 92/43/EEC and 2009/147/EC;

(b) other delimited nature protection areas with environmental restrictions applicable to farming or forests which contribute to the implementation of Article 10 of Directive 92/43/EEC, provided that these areas do not exceed 5 % of the designated Natura 2000 areas covered by territorial scope of each CAP Strategic Plan;

(c) agricultural areas included in river basin management plans pursuant to Directive 2000/60/EC;

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2. These payments may be granted to farmers, ***groups of farmers, forest holders and groups of*** forest holders. ***In duly justified cases, it may also be granted to*** other land managers in respect of areas with disadvantages referred to in paragraph 1.

3. When defining areas with disadvantages Member States may include the following areas:

(a) Natura 2000 agricultural and forest areas designated pursuant to Directives 92/43/EEC and 2009/147/EC;

(b) other delimited nature protection areas with environmental restrictions applicable to farming or forests which contribute to the implementation of Article 10 of Directive 92/43/EEC, provided that these areas do not exceed 5 % of the designated Natura 2000 areas covered by territorial scope of each CAP Strategic Plan;

(c) agricultural areas included in river basin management plans pursuant to Directive 2000/60/EC;

(ca) High Nature Value areas falling outside of the scope of the areas referred to in points (a), (b) and (c).

4. 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 area-specific disadvantages in the area concerned.

5. Additional costs and income foregone as referred to in paragraph 4 shall be calculated:

(a) in respect of constraints arising from Directives 92/43/EEC and 2009/147/EC, in relation to disadvantages resulting from requirements that go beyond the relevant standards of good agricultural and environmental condition established under Section 2 of Chapter 1 of this Title of this Regulation as well as the conditions established for the maintenance of the agricultural area in accordance with point (a) of Article 4(1) of this Regulation;

(b) in respect of constraints arising from Directive 2000/60/EC, in relation to disadvantages resulting from requirements that go beyond the relevant statutory management requirements, with the exception of **SMR 2** as referred to in Annex III, and standards of good agricultural and environmental condition established under Section 2 of Chapter I of this Title as well as the conditions established for the maintenance of the agricultural area in accordance with point (a) of Article 4(1) of this Regulation.

6. Payments shall be granted annually per hectare of area.

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(b) in respect of constraints arising from Directive 2000/60/EC, in relation to disadvantages resulting from requirements that go beyond the relevant statutory management requirements, with the exception of **SMR 1** as referred to in Annex III, and standards of good agricultural and environmental condition established under Section 2 of Chapter I of this Title as well as the conditions established for the maintenance of the agricultural area in accordance with point (a) of Article 4(1) of this Regulation.

6. Payments shall be granted annually per hectare of area.

Amendment 129

Proposal for a regulation Article 68

Text proposed by the Commission

Article 68

Amendment

Article 68

Investments

1. Member States may grant support for investments under the conditions set out in this Article and as further specified in their CAP Strategic Plans.
2. Member States may only grant support under this type of interventions for tangible and/or intangible investments, which contribute to achieving the specific objectives set out in Article 6. Support to the forestry sector shall be based on a forest management plan or equivalent instrument.
3. Member States shall establish a list of ineligible investments and categories of expenditure, including at least the following:
 - (a) purchase of agricultural production rights;
 - (b) purchase of payment entitlements;
 - (c) purchase of land with the exception of land purchase for environmental conservation or land purchased by young farmers through the use of financial instruments;
 - (d) purchase of animals, annual plants and their planting other than for the purpose of restoring agricultural or forestry potential following natural disaster and catastrophic events;
 - (e) interest rate on debt, except in relation to grants given in the form of an interest rate subsidy or guarantee fee subsidy;
 - (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

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2. Member States may only grant support under this type of interventions for tangible and/or intangible investments, which contribute to achieving the specific objectives set out in Article 6, ***that demonstrably do not harm the environment***. Support to the forestry sector shall be based on a forest management plan or equivalent instrument
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 - (a) purchase of agricultural production rights;
 - (b) purchase of payment entitlements;
 - (c) purchase of land with the exception of land purchase for environmental conservation or land purchased by young farmers through the use of financial instruments;
 - (d) purchase of animals, annual plants and their planting other than for the purpose of restoring agricultural or forestry potential following natural disaster and catastrophic events ***and for the purpose of protecting herds against predators and animals used in place of machines in difficult terrain to protect the landscape***;
 - (e) interest rate on debt, except in relation to grants given in the form of an interest rate subsidy or guarantee fee subsidy;
 - (f) investments in irrigation ***which do not lead to a net reduction in the water used for irrigation in that catchment area*** and which are not consistent with the achievement of good status of water bodies, as laid down in Article 4(1) of

as less than good in the relevant river basin management plan;

(g) investments in large infrastructures not being part of local development strategies;

(h) investments in afforestation which are not consistent with climate and environmental objectives in line with sustainable forest management principles, as developed in the Pan-European Guidelines for Afforestation and Reforestation.

Points (a), (b), **(d)** and (g) of the first subparagraph shall not apply where support is provided through financial instruments.

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

The maximum support rate may be increased for the following investments:

(a) afforestation and non-productive investments linked to the specific environmental- and climate-related objectives set out in points (d), (e) and (f) of Article 6(1);

(b) investments in basic services in rural areas

(c) investments in the restoration of agricultural or forestry potential following

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;

(g) investments in large infrastructures not being part of local development strategies;

(h) investments in afforestation **and forest restoration** which are not consistent with climate and environmental objectives in line with sustainable forest management principles, as developed in the Pan-European Guidelines for Afforestation and Reforestation.

(ha) investments in concentrated animal feeding operations and in infrastructure that do not comply with recommendations for good animal welfare, and principles contained in Directive 98/58/EC;

(hb) investments in bio-energy products which do not meet the sustainability criteria set out in Directive (EU) 2018/2001 of the European Parliament and of the Council^{1a}.

Points (a), (b), and (g) of the first subparagraph shall not apply where support is provided through financial instruments.

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

The maximum support rate may be increased for the following investments:

(a) afforestation, ***regeneration of agroforestry systems*** and non-productive investments linked to the specific environmental- and climate-related objectives set out in points (d), (e) and (f) of Article 6(1);

(b) investments in basic services in rural areas

(c) investments in the restoration of agricultural or forestry potential following

natural disasters or catastrophic events and investments in appropriate preventive actions in forests and in the rural environment.

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^{1a} Directive (EU) 2018/2001 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 December 2018 on the promotion of the use of energy from renewable sources (OJ L 328, 21.12.2018, p. 82).

Amendment 130

Proposal for a regulation Article 69 – title

Text proposed by the Commission

Installation of young farmers ***and*** rural business start-up

Amendment

Installation of young farmers, rural business start-up ***and sustainable business development***

Amendment 131

Proposal for a regulation Article 69 – paragraph 2 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

2a. Member States shall make sure that interventions referred to in this Article are distributed in a way that contributes to achieving gender equality in rural areas.

Amendment 132

Proposal for a regulation Article 70

Text proposed by the Commission

Article 70

Amendment

Article 70

Risk management tools

1. Member States shall grant support for risk management tools under the conditions set out in this Article and as further specified in their CAP Strategic Plans.
2. Member States shall grant support under this type of interventions in order to promote risk management tools, which help genuine farmers manage production and income risks related to their agricultural activity which are outside their control and which contribute to achieving the specific objectives set out in Article 6.
3. Member States may grant in particular the following support:
 - (a) financial contributions to premiums for insurance schemes;
 - (b) financial contributions to mutual funds, including the administrative cost of setting up;
4. Member States shall establish the following eligibility conditions:
 - (a) the types and coverage of eligible insurance schemes and mutual funds;
 - (b) the methodology for the calculation of losses and triggering factors for compensation;
 - (c) the rules for the constitution and management of the mutual funds.
5. Member States shall ensure that support is granted only for covering losses of at least 20% of the average annual production or income of the farmer in the preceding three-year period or a three-year average based on the preceding five-year period excluding the highest and lowest entry.
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Amendment 133

Proposal for a regulation Article 71

Text proposed by the Commission

Article 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.
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.
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.

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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).

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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 further aim to encourage generational renewal at farm level**, 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). **Member States shall not support interventions with negative effects for the environment.**

8a. The LEADER initiative, referred to as community-led local development as set out in paragraph 1, shall provide for the active and primary involvement of farms and/or forestry holdings.

Amendment 134

Proposal for a regulation Article 72 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

1. Member States may grant support for agricultural, forestry and rural business knowledge exchange and information

Amendment

1. Member States may grant support for agricultural, **agroforestry**, forestry and rural business knowledge exchange and

under the conditions set out in this Article and as further specified in their CAP Strategic Plans.

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Amendment 135

Proposal for a regulation

Article 73 – paragraph 1 – subparagraph 1 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

In selecting operations, managing authorities shall ensure the climate, environment and biodiversity proofing of planned interventions.

Amendment 136

Proposal for a regulation

Article 86

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

Article 86

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Minimum and maximum financial allocations

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1. At least 5 % of the total EAFRD contribution to the CAP Strategic Plan as set out in Annex IX shall be reserved for LEADER, referred to as community-led local development in Article 25 of Regulation (EU) [CPR].
2. At least **30%** of the total EAFRD contribution to the CAP Strategic Plan as set out in Annex IX shall be reserved for interventions addressing the specific environmental- and climate-related objectives set out in points (d), (e) and (f) of Article 6(1) of this Regulation, excluding interventions based on Article 66.

1. At least 5 % of the total EAFRD contribution to the CAP Strategic Plan as set out in Annex IX shall be reserved for LEADER, referred to as community-led local development in Article 25 of Regulation (EU) [CPR].
2. At least **40%** of the total EAFRD contribution to the CAP Strategic Plan as set out in Annex IX shall be reserved for interventions addressing the specific environmental- and climate-related objectives set out in points (d), (e) and (f) of Article 6(1) of this Regulation, excluding interventions based on Article 66. ***At least 30% of the total EAGF contribution to the CAP Strategic Plan as set out in Annex IV shall be reserved for schemes for the climate and the***

environment set out in Article 28.

Every Member State shall set a minimum amount reserved for contributing to the specific objective named in point (f) of Article 6(1). It shall be calculated based on the SWOT analysis and the identification of needs relating to priority species and natural habitats as part of the prioritised action framework as set out in Directive 92/43/EEC and Directive 2009/147/EC. This amount shall be used for the measures described in Articles 65 and 67 and point (a) of Article 68(4) of this Regulation and to utilise support for Strategic Nature Projects as defined under the [LIFE Regulation] in accordance with paragraph 7 of this Article.

The first subparagraph does not apply to the outermost regions.

3. A maximum 4 % of the total EAFRD contribution to the CAP Strategic Plan as set out in Annex IX may be used to finance the actions of technical assistance at the initiative of the Member States referred to in Article 112.

The EAFRD contribution may be increased to 6% for CAP Strategic plans where the total amount of Union support for rural development is up to EUR 90 million.

Technical assistance shall be reimbursed as a flat-rate financing following Article 125(1)(e) of Regulation (EU/Euratom) .../...[new Financial Regulation] in the framework of interim payments pursuant to Article 30 of Regulation (EU) [HZR]. This flat-rate shall represent the percentage set in the CAP Strategic Plan for technical assistance of the total expenditure declared.

4. For each Member State the minimum amount set out in Annex X shall be reserved for contributing to the specific objective 'attract young farmers and facilitate business development' set out in point (g) of Article 6(1). On the basis of

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4. For each Member State the minimum amount set out in Annex X shall be reserved for contributing to the specific objective 'attract young farmers and facilitate business development' set out in point (g) of Article 6(1). On the basis of

the analysis of the situation in terms of strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and threats ('the SWOT analysis') and the identification of the needs that are to be addressed, the amount shall be used for the following types of interventions:

- (a) the Complementary Income Support for Young Farmer as laid down in Article 27;
- (b) the installation of young farmers referred to in Article 69.

5. The indicative financial allocations for the coupled income support interventions referred to in Subsection 1 of Section 2 of Chapter II of Title III, shall be limited to a maximum of 10% of the amounts set out in Annex VII.

By way of derogation from the first subparagraph, Member States that in accordance with Article 53(4) of Regulation (EU) No 1307/2013 used for the purpose of voluntary coupled support more than 13% of their annual national ceiling set out in Annex II to that Regulation, may decide to use for the purpose of coupled income support more than 10% of the amount set out in Annex VII. The resulting percentage shall not exceed the percentage approved by the Commission for voluntary coupled support in respect of claim year 2018.

The percentage referred to in the first subparagraph, may be increased by a maximum of 2%, provided that the amount corresponding to the percentage exceeding the 10% is allocated to the support for protein crops under Subsection 1 of Section 2 of Chapter II of Title III.

The amount included in the approved CAP Strategic Plan resulting from the application of the first and second subparagraphs shall be binding.

6. Without prejudice to Article 15 of Regulation (EU) [HzR], the maximum amount which may be granted in a Member

the analysis of the situation in terms of strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and threats ('the SWOT analysis') and the identification of the needs that are to be addressed, the amount shall be used for the following types of interventions:

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The amount included in the approved CAP Strategic Plan resulting from the application of the first and second subparagraphs shall be binding.

6. Without prejudice to Article 15 of Regulation (EU) [HzR], the maximum amount which may be granted in a Member

State before the application of Article 15 of this Regulation pursuant to Subsection 1 of Section 2 of Chapter II of Title III of this Regulation in respect of a calendar year shall not exceed the amounts fixed in the CAP Strategic Plan in accordance with paragraph 6.

7. Member States may decide in their CAP Strategic Plan to use a certain share of the EAFRD allocation to leverage support and upscale integrated Strategic Nature Projects as defined under the [LIFE Regulation] and to finance actions in respect of transnational learning mobility of people in the field agricultural and rural development with a focus on young farmers, in accordance with the [Erasmus Regulation].

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Amendment 137

Proposal for a regulation Article 87

Text proposed by the Commission

Article 87

Tracking climate expenditure

1. On the basis of the information provided by Member States the Commission shall evaluate the contribution of the policy to the climate change objectives using *a* simple and common methodology.

2. The contribution to the expenditure target shall be estimated through the application of specific weightings

Amendment

Article 87

Tracking **environmental and** climate expenditure

1. On the basis of the information provided by Member States the Commission shall evaluate the contribution of the policy to the **environmental and** climate change objectives using simple, **appropriate, accurate** and common methodologies. ***The Commission shall regularly report on the progress towards mainstreaming both environment action and climate action, including the amount of expenditures. The findings shall be presented in the annual year review as set out in Article 122.***

2. The contribution to the expenditure target shall be estimated through the application of specific weightings

differentiated on the basis whether the support makes a significant or a moderate contribution towards climate change objectives. These weighting shall be as follows:

- (a) **40%** for the expenditure under the Basic Income Support for Sustainability and the Complementary Income Support referred to in Title III, Chapter II, section II, subsections 2 and 3;
- (b) 100% for expenditure under the schemes for the climate and the environment referred to in Title III, Chapter II, section II, subsection 4;
- (c) 100% for expenditure for the interventions referred to in the first subparagraph of Article 86(2);
- (d) 40% for expenditure for natural or other area-specific constraints referred to in Article 66.

differentiated on the basis whether the support makes a significant or a moderate contribution towards ***environmental and climate change objectives and be complemented by the Union climate marker system***. These weighting shall be as follows:

- (a) **30%** for the expenditure under the Basic Income Support for Sustainability and the Complementary Income Support referred to in Title III, Chapter II, section II, subsections 2 and 3;
- (b) 100% for expenditure under the schemes for the climate and the environment referred to in Title III, Chapter II, section II, subsection 4;
- (c) 100% for expenditure for the interventions referred to in the first subparagraph of Article 86(2);
- (d) 40% for expenditure for natural or other area-specific constraints referred to in Article 66.

The Commission is empowered to adopt delegated acts in accordance with Article 138 supplementing this Regulation with methodologies to track the mainstreaming of and evaluate the estimated expenditure dedicated to the environmental objectives, including biodiversity. The Commission shall adapt the specific weightings on climate change expenditure to take into account the new methodologies and differentiation on environmental expenditure.

Amendment 138

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

Amendment

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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.

coherence with Articles 28(1) and 86(2).

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Amendment 139

Proposal for a regulation

Article 89 – paragraph 1 – subparagraph 1 – point a

Text proposed by the Commission

(a) decoupled direct payments and coupled income support referred to in Chapter II of Title III;

Amendment

(a) decoupled direct payments, ***excluding schemes for the climate and the environment as set out in Article 28,*** and coupled income support referred to in Chapter II of Title III;

Amendment 140

Proposal for a regulation

Article 90

Text proposed by the Commission

Article 90

Flexibility between direct payments allocations and EAFRD allocations

1. As part of their CAP Strategic Plan proposal referred to in Article 106(1), Member States may decide to transfer:

(a) up to 15% of the Member State's allocation for direct payments set out in Annex IV after deduction of the allocations for cotton set in Annex VI for calendar years 2021 to 2026 to the Member State's allocation for EAFRD in financial years 2022 – 2027; ***or***

(b) up to 15% of the Member State's allocation for EAFRD in financial years 2022 – 2027 to the Member State's

Amendment

Article 90

Flexibility between direct payments allocations and EAFRD allocations

1. As part of their CAP Strategic Plan proposal referred to in Article 106(1), Member States may decide to transfer:

(a) up to 15% of the Member State's allocation for direct payments set out in Annex IV after deduction of the allocations for cotton set in Annex VI for calendar years 2021 to 2026 to the Member State's allocation for EAFRD in financial years 2022 – 2027;

allocation for direct payments set out in Annex IV for calendar years 2021 to 2026.

The percentage of transfer from Member State's allocation for direct payments to its allocation for EAFRD referred to in the first subparagraph may be increased by:

(a) up to 15 percentage points provided that Member States use the corresponding increase for EAFRD financed interventions addressing the specific environmental- and climate-related objectives referred to in points (d), (e) and (f) of Article 6(1);

(b) up to 2 percentage points provided that the Member States use the corresponding increase in accordance with point (b) of Article 86(5).

2. The decisions referred to in the paragraph 1 shall set out the percentage referred to in paragraph 1, which may vary by calendar year.

3. Member States may, in 2023, review their decisions referred to in paragraph 1 as part of a request for amendment of their CAP Strategic Plans, referred to in Article 107.

The percentage of transfer from Member State's allocation for direct payments to its allocation for EAFRD referred to in the first subparagraph may ***additionally*** be increased by:

(a) up to 15 percentage points provided that Member States use the corresponding increase for EAFRD financed interventions addressing the specific environmental- and climate-related objectives referred to in points (d), (e) and (f) of Article 6(1);

(b) up to 2 percentage points provided that the Member States use the corresponding increase in accordance with point (b) of Article 86(4).

2. The decisions referred to in the paragraph 1 shall set out the percentage referred to in paragraph 1, which may vary by calendar year.

3. Member States may, in 2023, review their decisions referred to in paragraph 1 as part of a request for amendment of their CAP Strategic Plans, referred to in Article 107.

Amendment 141

**Proposal for a regulation
Article 91 – paragraph 2**

Text proposed by the Commission

Based on the SWOT analysis referred to in Article 103(2) and an assessment of needs referred to in Article 96, Member State shall establish in the CAP Strategic Plans an intervention strategy as referred to in Article 97 in which quantitative targets and milestones shall be set to achieve the specific objectives set out to in Article 6. The targets shall be defined using a common set of result indicators set out in

Amendment

Based on the SWOT analysis referred to in Article 103(2) and an assessment of needs referred to in Article 96, Member State shall establish in the CAP Strategic Plans an intervention strategy as referred to in Article 97 in which quantitative targets and milestones shall be set to achieve the specific objectives set out to in Article 6. The targets shall be defined using a common set of result ***and impact*** indicators

Amendment 142**Proposal for a regulation****Article 92***Text proposed by the Commission*

Article 92

Increased ambition with regard to environmental-**and** climate-related objectives

1. Member States shall **aim to** make, through their CAP Strategic Plans and in particular through the elements of the intervention strategy referred to in point (a) of Article 97(2), a greater overall contribution to the achievement of the specific environmental- **and** climate-related objectives set out in points (d), (e) **and** (f) of Article 6(1) in comparison to the overall contribution made to the achievement of the objective laid down in point (b) of the first subparagraph of Article 110(2) of Regulation (EU) No 1306/2013 through support under the EAGF and the EAFRD in the period 2014 to 2020.

2. Member States shall explain in their CAP Strategic Plans, on the basis of **available** information, how they intend to achieve the greater overall contribution set out to in paragraph 1. That explanation shall be based on relevant information such as the elements referred to in points (a) to (f) of Article 95(1) and in **point** (b) of Article 95(2).

Amendment

Article 92

Increased ambition with regard to environmental-, climate **and animal welfare** -related objectives

1. Member States shall make, through their CAP Strategic Plans and in particular through the elements of the intervention strategy referred to in point (a) of Article 97(2), a greater overall contribution to the achievement of **each of** the specific environmental, climate **and animal welfare** -related objectives set out in points (d), (e), (f) **and (i)** of Article 6(1) in comparison to the overall contribution made to the achievement of the objective laid down in point (b) of the first subparagraph of Article 110(2) of Regulation (EU) No 1306/2013 through support under the EAGF and the EAFRD in the period 2014 to 2020.

1a. Payments towards organic conversion and maintenance in CAP Strategic Plans under Articles 28 and 65 shall exceed the total payments made before 2021 under Rural Development to organic farmers, calculated as a yearly average using constant prices.

2. Member States shall explain in their CAP Strategic Plans, on the basis of **the most recent and reliable** information, **the impact on the environment and the climate they aim to achieve in the period 2021-2027, and** how they intend to achieve the greater overall contribution set out to in paragraph 1, **including how they intend to ensure that the objectives set out on the**

basis of the impact indicators set out in Annex I will constitute an improvement to the current situation. That explanation shall be based on relevant information such as the elements referred to in points (a) to (f) of Article 95(1) and in ***points (a) and (b) of Article 95(2).***

Amendment 143

Proposal for a regulation Article 94

Text proposed by the Commission

Article 94

Procedural requirements Procedural requirements

1. Member States shall draw up the CAP Strategic Plans based on transparent procedures, in accordance with their institutional and legal framework.
2. The body of the Member State responsible for drawing up the CAP Strategic Plan shall ensure that the competent authorities for the environment and climate are effectively involved in the preparation of the environmental and climate aspects of the plan.
3. Each Member State shall organise a partnership with the competent regional and local authorities. The partnership shall include at least the following partners:
 - (a) relevant public authorities;
 - (b) economic and social partners;
 - (c) relevant bodies representing civil society and where relevant bodies

Amendment

Article 94

Procedural requirements Procedural requirements

1. Member States shall draw up the CAP Strategic Plans based on transparent procedures, in accordance with their institutional and legal framework.
- 1a. Member States shall make CAP Strategic Plans and related annexes public, both at the draft stage and after their approval.***
2. The body of the Member State responsible for drawing up the CAP Strategic Plan shall ensure that the competent authorities for the environment and climate are effectively ***and inclusively*** involved in the preparation of the environmental and climate aspects of the plan.
3. Each Member State shall organise a partnership with the competent regional and local authorities. The partnership shall include at least the following partners:
 - (a) relevant public authorities;
 - (b) economic, ***environmental*** and social partners;
 - (c) relevant bodies representing civil society and where relevant bodies

responsible for promoting social inclusion, fundamental rights, gender equality and non-discrimination.

Member States shall involve those partners in the preparation of the CAP Strategic Plans.

4. Member States and the Commission shall cooperate to ensure effective coordination in the implementation of CAP Strategic Plans, taking account of the principles of proportionality and shared management.

Amendment 144

Proposal for a regulation

Article 96 – paragraph 1 – point a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

responsible for promoting social inclusion, fundamental rights, **public health**, gender equality and non-discrimination.

All partners referred to in point (b) shall have equal representation, and a balanced representation between points (b) and (c) shall be ensured. Member States shall involve those partners in the preparation and implementation of the CAP Strategic Plans, ***including through participation in monitoring committees in accordance with Article 111.***

4. Member States and the Commission shall cooperate to ensure effective coordination in the implementation of CAP Strategic Plans, taking account of the principles of proportionality and shared management.

Amendment 145

Proposal for a regulation

Article 96 – paragraph 1 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(aa) summary of current and target values for impact indicators;

Where, on the basis of information provided in accordance with points (a)-(e) of the first paragraph, areas will be identified where baseline information or information on context indicators is missing or is insufficient for the purposes of providing a full description of the current situation in relation to the specific objectives laid down in Article 6, Member

States shall address such conclusion within the framework of their CAP Strategic Plan, or through other instruments and outline the proposed measures in the CAP Strategic Plan.

Amendment 146

Proposal for a regulation

Article 96 – paragraph 2 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

For the specific objective referred to in point (i) of Article 6(1), the assessment shall take into account compliance with legislative acts referred to in Annex XIa.

Justification

Article 6(1) point (i) is the objective concerning societal demands, one of which is animal welfare. Annex XIa lists the existent legislation on animal welfare.

Amendment 147

Proposal for a regulation

Article 96 – paragraph 3

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

Member States shall use the most recent and most reliable data for this assessment.

Member States shall use the most recent and most reliable data for this assessment, ***including up to date information about any stage of an infringement procedure, and recently closed cases, related to these environmental and climate plans which effectively transpose the Union legislation. In order to contribute to Union objectives, in case of infringement, the measures proposed by the plan that is subject to infringement shall not be considered by the needs assessment and shall not be approved for financing.***

Amendment 148

Proposal for a regulation Article 97

Text proposed by the Commission

Article 97

Intervention strategy

1. The intervention strategy referred to in point (b) of Article 95(1) shall set out, for each specific objective set out in Article 6(1) and addressed in the CAP Strategic Plan:

- (a) targets for each relevant common and, where relevant, CAP Strategic Plan specific result indicators and related milestones. The value of these targets shall be justified in view of the assessment of needs referred to in Article 96. As regards the specific objectives set out in points (d), (e), and (f) of Article 6(1), targets shall be derived from the elements of explanation given in points (a) and (b) of paragraph 2 of this Article;
- (b) interventions, based on the types of intervention set out in Title III, except the crop-specific payment for cotton laid down in Subsection 2 of Section 3 of Chapter II of that Title shall be designed to address the specific situation in the area concerned, following a sound intervention logic, supported by the ex-ante evaluation referred to in Article 125, the SWOT analysis referred to in Article 103(2) and the assessment of needs referred to in Article 96;
- (c) elements showing how the interventions allow reaching the targets and how they are mutually coherent and compatible;
- (d) elements demonstrating that the allocation of financial resources to the interventions of the CAP Strategic Plan is justified and adequate to achieve the

Amendment

Article 97

Intervention strategy

1. The intervention strategy referred to in point (b) of Article 95(1) shall set out, for each specific objective set out in Article 6(1) and addressed in the CAP Strategic Plan:

- (a) targets for each relevant common and, where relevant, CAP Strategic Plan specific result **and impact** indicators and related milestones. The value of these targets shall be justified in view of the assessment of needs referred to in Article 96. As regards the specific objectives set out in points (d), (e), and (f) of Article 6(1), targets shall be derived from the elements of explanation given in points (a) and (b) of paragraph 2 of this Article;
- (b) interventions, based on the types of intervention set out in Title III, except the crop-specific payment for cotton laid down in Subsection 2 of Section 3 of Chapter II of that Title shall be designed to address the specific situation in the area concerned, following a sound intervention logic, supported by the ex-ante evaluation referred to in Article 125, the SWOT analysis referred to in Article 103(2) and the assessment of needs referred to in Article 96;
- (c) elements showing how the interventions allow reaching the targets and how they are mutually coherent and compatible;
- (d) elements demonstrating that the allocation of financial resources to the interventions of the CAP Strategic Plan is justified and adequate to achieve the

targets set, and is consistent with the financial plan as referred to in Article 100.

2. The intervention strategy shall also provide the following elements, showing the consistency of the strategy and the complementarity of interventions across the specific objectives set out in Article 6(1):

(a) an overview of the environmental and climate architecture of the CAP Strategic Plan which describes the complementarity and baseline conditions between the conditionality and the different interventions addressing the specific environmental- and climate-related objectives set out in points (d), (e), and (f) of Article 6(1), as well as the way to achieve the greater overall contribution set out in Article 92;

(b) an explanation of how the environment and climate architecture of the CAP Strategic Plan is meant to contribute to already established long-term national targets set out in or deriving from the legislative instruments referred to in Annex XI;

(c) in relation to the specific objective 'attract young farmers and facilitate their business development' set out in point (g) of Article 6(1), an overview of the CAP Strategic Plan relevant interventions and specific conditions such as those specified in Articles 22(4), 27, 69 and 71(7) shall be presented. Member States shall in particular refer to Article 86(5) when presenting the financial plan in relation to the types of interventions referred to in Articles 27 and 69. The overview shall also explain the interplay with national instruments with a view of improving the consistency between Union and national actions in this area;

(d) an overview of the sector-related

targets set, and is consistent with the financial plan as referred to in Article 100.

2. The intervention strategy shall also provide the following elements, showing the consistency of the strategy and the complementarity of interventions across the specific objectives set out in Article 6(1):

(a) an overview of the environmental and climate architecture of the CAP Strategic Plan which describes the complementarity and baseline conditions between the conditionality and the different interventions addressing the specific environmental- and climate-related objectives set out in points (d), (e), and (f) of Article 6(1), as well as the way to achieve the greater overall contribution set out in Article 92;

(b) an explanation of how the environment and climate architecture of the CAP Strategic Plan is meant to contribute to already established long-term national targets set out in or deriving from the legislative instruments referred to in Annex XI;

(ba) an overview of the measures aimed to enhance animal welfare;

(c) in relation to the specific objective 'attract young farmers and facilitate their business development' set out in point (g) of Article 6(1), an overview of the CAP Strategic Plan relevant interventions and specific conditions such as those specified in Articles 22(4), 27, 69 and 71(7) shall be presented. Member States shall in particular refer to Article 86(5) when presenting the financial plan in relation to the types of interventions referred to in Articles 27 and 69. The overview shall also explain the interplay with national instruments with a view of improving the consistency between Union and national actions in this area;

(d) an overview of the sector-related

interventions, including coupled income support as referred to in Subsection 1 of Section 3 of Chapter II of Title III and the sectoral interventions referred to in Chapter III of Title III, providing a justification for targeting the sectors concerned, the list of interventions per sector, their complementarity, as well as the possible specific additional targets related to the interventions based on the sectoral types of interventions referred to in Chapter III of Title III;

(e) an explanation as to which interventions will contribute to ensure a coherent and integrated approach to risk management;

(f) a description of the interplay between national and regional interventions, including the distribution of financial allocations per intervention and per fund.

Amendment 149

Proposal for a regulation

Article 98 – paragraph 1 – point b a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

interventions, including coupled income support as referred to in Subsection 1 of Section 3 of Chapter II of Title III and the sectoral interventions referred to in Chapter III of Title III, providing a justification for targeting the sectors concerned, the list of interventions per sector, their complementarity, as well as the possible specific additional targets related to the interventions based on the sectoral types of interventions referred to in Chapter III of Title III;

(e) an explanation as to which interventions will contribute to ensure a coherent and integrated approach to risk management;

(ea) an explanation of how the CAP Strategic Plan ensures gender mainstreaming and contributes to the objective to achieve gender equality;

(f) a description of the interplay between national and regional interventions, including the distribution of financial allocations per intervention and per fund.

Amendment

(ba) an explanation of how the CAP Strategic Plan will support organic agriculture, in order to contribute to matching production to the growing demand for organic agricultural products, as set out in Article 13a.

Amendment 150

Proposal for a regulation

Article 98 – paragraph 1 – point d – point iii

Text proposed by the Commission

(iii) an overview of the coordination, demarcation and complementarities between the **EAFRD** and other Union funds active in rural areas;

Amendment

(iii) an overview of the coordination, demarcation and complementarities between the **EAFRD, EAGF** and other Union funds active in rural areas;

Amendment 151

**Proposal for a regulation
Article 100 – paragraph 1**

Text proposed by the Commission

1. The target plan referred to in point (e) of Article 95(1) shall consist of a recapitulative table showing the targets as referred to in point (a) of Article 97(1), indicating the break-down in **annual** milestones.

Amendment

1. The target plan referred to in point (e) of Article 95(1) shall consist of a recapitulative table showing the targets as referred to in point (a) of Article 97(1), indicating the breakdown in **biennial** milestones.

Justification

Biennial milestones would be preferable, as it would make it easier for the Member States' administrations. Some targets need also more time to be reached and progress can only be seen over a longer period of time.

Amendment 152

**Proposal for a regulation
Article 102 – paragraph 1 – introductory part**

Text proposed by the Commission

The description of the elements that ensure modernisation of the CAP referred to in point (g) of Article 95(1) shall highlight the elements of the CAP Strategic Plan that support the modernisation of the agricultural sector and the CAP and shall contain in particular:

Amendment

The description of the elements that ensure modernisation of the CAP referred to in point (g) of Article 95(1) shall highlight the elements of the CAP Strategic Plan that support the modernisation of the agricultural sector and the CAP **to meet new challenges, including transitioning to sustainability**, and shall contain in particular:

Justification

Modernisation is not an end in itself: the overall aim, as the Commission communication on the CAP reform stated many times, a paradigm shift to reach sustainability, responding to new challenges, etc.

Amendment 153

Proposal for a regulation

Article 102 – paragraph 1 – point a – point ii a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(iia) coherence with the achievement of the sustainable development goals and international agreements on climate.

Justification

Modernisation is not an end in itself: the overall aim, as the Commission communication on the CAP reform stated many times, a paradigm shift to reach sustainability, responding to new challenges, etc.

Amendment 154

Proposal for a regulation

Article 103 – paragraph 2 – subparagraph 4 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

For the specific objective set out in point (i) of Article 6(1), the SWOT analysis shall refer to legislative acts referred to in Annex XIa.

Justification

Annex refers to food safety and animal welfare.

Amendment 155

Proposal for a regulation

Article 106 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

2. The Commission shall assess the proposed CAP Strategic Plans on the basis of the completeness of the plans, the consistency and coherence with the general principles of Union law, with this Regulation and the provisions adopted pursuant to it and with the Horizontal Regulation, their effective contribution to the specific objectives set out in Article 6(1), the impact on the proper functioning of the internal market and distortion of competition, the level of administrative burden on beneficiaries and administration. The assessment shall address, in particular, the adequacy of the strategy of the CAP Strategic Plan, the corresponding specific objectives, targets, interventions and the allocation of budgetary resources to meet the specific CAP Strategic Plan objectives through the proposed set of interventions on the basis of the SWOT analysis and the ex-ante evaluation.

Amendment

2. The Commission shall assess the proposed CAP Strategic Plans on ***clear and objective criteria, including*** the basis of the completeness of the plans, the consistency and coherence with the general principles of Union law, with this Regulation and the provisions adopted pursuant to it and with the Horizontal Regulation, their ***potential achievement of and*** effective contribution to the specific objectives set out in Article 6(1), ***coherence and compliance with legislation set out in Annex XI***, the impact on the proper functioning of the internal market and distortion of competition, the level of administrative burden on beneficiaries and administration. The assessment shall address, in particular, the adequacy of the strategy of the CAP Strategic Plan, the corresponding specific objectives, targets, interventions and the allocation of budgetary resources to meet the specific CAP Strategic Plan objectives through the proposed set of interventions on the basis of the SWOT analysis and the ex-ante evaluation.

Amendment 156

Proposal for a regulation

Article 106 – paragraph 5 – subparagraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

The approval of each CAP Strategic Plan shall take place no later than ***eight*** months following its submission by the Member State concerned.

Amendment

The approval of each CAP Strategic Plan shall take place no later than ***six*** months following its submission by the Member State concerned.

Justification

The Commission should not have more time for approval than the Member States have for the preparation of the strategic plan.

Amendment 157

Proposal for a regulation

Article 106 – paragraph 5 – subparagraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

The approval shall not cover the information referred to in point (c) of Article 101 and in Annexes I to IV to the CAP Strategic Plan referred to in points (a) to (d) of Article 95(2). **deleted**

Amendment 158

Proposal for a regulation

Article 106 – paragraph 5 – subparagraph 3

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

In duly justified cases, the Member State may ask the Commission to approve a CAP Strategic Plan which does not contain all elements. In that case the Member State concerned shall indicate the parts of the CAP Strategic Plan that are missing and provide indicative targets and financial plans as referred to in Article 100 for the whole CAP Strategic Plan in order to show the overall consistency and coherence of the plan. The missing elements of the CAP Strategic Plan shall be submitted to the Commission as an amendment of the plan in accordance with Article 107. **deleted**

Justification

Approving unfinished plans leads to decreased ambition. This is not in line with principles of sound financial management, especially in a "results based" delivery model.

Amendment 159

Proposal for a regulation

Article 106 – paragraph 6 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

6a. The Commission shall communicate the evaluations of the CAP Strategic Plans, accompanied by its observations, to the European Parliament, the Council, the European Economic and Social Committee and the Committee of the Regions.

Amendment 160

Proposal for a regulation

Article 107 – paragraph 10 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

10a. No later than six months after the approval of all CAP Strategic Plans, the Commission shall submit to the European Parliament and the Council a comparative report of the different Strategic Plans of the Member States, including the choice of interventions and financial amounts carried out with a view to achieving the objectives of the Union.

Amendment 161

Proposal for a regulation

Article 110 – paragraph 2 – point k a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(ka) access is given to all the information on the preparation, amendment and approval of the CAP Strategic Plan and also to all the information provided to the monitoring committee, including the consultations carried out and their results, to stakeholder organisations representing economic and social interests and to stakeholder non-governmental

organisations.

Amendment 162

Proposal for a regulation

Article 111 – paragraph 2 – subparagraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

The Member State shall decide the composition of the Monitoring Committee and shall ensure a balanced representation of the relevant public authorities and intermediate bodies and of representatives of the partners referred to in Article 94(3).

Amendment

The Member State shall decide the composition of the Monitoring Committee, ***with due regard for preventing conflicts of interest***, and shall ensure a balanced representation of the relevant public authorities and intermediate bodies and of representatives of the partners referred to in Article 94(3) ***that are relevant for the implementation of all objectives under Article 6(1).***

Justification

Relevant competent authorities and stakeholders from all areas covered by the CAP specific objectives in Article 6(1), including health, should be effectively involved in the various stages of preparation, implementation, monitoring and evaluation of CAP strategic plans. Ensuring the use of good quality evidence and preventing conflicts of interest is part and parcel of ensuring an effective policy.

Amendment 163

Proposal for a regulation

Article 111 – paragraph 3 – point b a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(ba) issues relating to the quality and quantity of data and indicators available for monitoring results and performance;

Justification

The Monitoring Committee should consider if there are areas where baseline data is missing or is insufficient for monitoring the results and performance, and areas for which indicators need to be improved.

Amendment 164

Proposal for a regulation Article 114 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

2. The aim of the EIP shall be to stimulate innovation and improve the exchange of knowledge.

Amendment

2. The aim of the EIP shall be to stimulate innovation and improve the exchange of knowledge. ***Innovation in this regard shall contribute to the development of competitiveness, environmental performance and sustainability, in particular for the development of sustainable farming practices in the areas of climate, water, soil, biodiversity and waste.***

Amendment 165

Proposal for a regulation Article 114 – paragraph 4 – subparagraph 1 – point c

Text proposed by the Commission

(c) promote the faster and wider transposition of innovative solutions into practice; and

Amendment

(c) promote the faster and wider transposition of innovative solutions, ***including agroecological solutions,*** into practice; and

Amendment 166

Proposal for a regulation Article 115 – paragraph 3 – point b a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(ba) the coherence of measures set out in the plan with the Union's development policy objectives.

Justification

Policy coherence for development is required under article 208 TFEU.

Amendment 167

Proposal for a regulation

Article 116 – paragraph 1 – point e

Text proposed by the Commission

(e) support a common learning process related to monitoring and evaluation.

Amendment

(e) support a common learning process related to monitoring and evaluation, ***identifying areas where baseline data is missing or insufficient and for which more relevant and accurate indicators can be developed.***

Justification

It is important to identify areas where baseline data is missing or insufficient for monitoring and where indicators need to be improved.

Amendment 168

Proposal for a regulation

Article 121 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

1. By 15 February 2023 and 15 February of ***each subsequent*** year until and including 2030, the Member States shall submit to the Commission ***an annual*** performance report on the implementation of the CAP Strategic Plan in the previous financial ***year***. The report submitted in 2023 shall cover the financial years 2021 and 2022. For direct payments as referred to in Chapter II of Title III, the report shall cover only financial year 2022.

Amendment

1. By 15 February 2023 and 15 February of ***every other*** year until and including 2030, the Member States shall submit to the Commission ***a biennial*** performance report on the implementation of the CAP Strategic Plan in the previous ***two*** financial ***years***. The report submitted in 2023 shall cover the financial years 2021 and 2022. For direct payments as referred to in Chapter II of Title III, the report shall cover only financial year 2022.

Justification

Biennial reporting is more preferable and easier for Member States administrations.

Amendment 169

Proposal for a regulation

Article 121 – paragraph 4 – subparagraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

Annual performance reports shall set out key qualitative and quantitative information the implementation of the CAP Strategic Plan by reference to financial data, output **and** result indicators and in accordance with the second paragraph of Article 118. They shall also include information about realised outputs, realised expenditure, realised results and distance to respective targets.

Amendment

Annual performance reports shall set out key qualitative and quantitative information the implementation of the CAP Strategic Plan by reference to financial data, output, result **and impact** indicators and in accordance with the second paragraph of Article 118. They shall also include information about realised outputs **and impacts**, realised expenditure, realised results and distance to respective targets.

Amendment 170

**Proposal for a regulation
Article 122 – paragraph 1**

Text proposed by the Commission

1. **Member States** shall organise each year an annual review meeting with the **Commission**, to be chaired **jointly or** by the Commission, which will take place not earlier than two months after the submission of the annual performance report.

Amendment

1. **The Commission** shall organise each year an annual review meeting with the **Member States**, to be chaired by the Commission, which will take place not earlier than two months after the submission of the annual performance report.

Amendment 171

**Proposal for a regulation
Article 122 – paragraph 2**

Text proposed by the Commission

2. The annual review meeting shall aim at examining the performance of each plan, including progress made towards achieving established targets, any issues affecting performance and past or future actions to be taken to address them.

Amendment

2. The annual review meeting shall aim at examining the performance of each plan, including progress made towards achieving established targets **and overarching Union environmental and climate objectives**, any issues affecting performance and past or future actions to be taken to address them.

Amendment 172

Proposal for a regulation

Article 122 – paragraph 2 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

2a. The Commission shall communicate summaries of the annual review meetings along with its observations, to the European Parliament, the Council, the European Economic and Social Committee and the Committee of the Regions.

Amendment 173

Proposal for a regulation

Article 123

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

Article 123

Article 123

Performance bonus

Performance bonus

1. A performance bonus may be attributed to Member States in the year 2026 to reward satisfactory performance in relation to the environmental and climate targets provided that the Member State concerned has met the condition set out in Article 124(1).

2. The performance bonus shall be equal to 5% of the amount per Member State for financial year 2027 as set out in Annex IX.

Resources transferred between the EAGF and the EAFRD under Articles 15 and 90 are excluded for the purpose of calculating the performance bonus.

1. A performance bonus may be attributed to Member States in the year 2026 to reward satisfactory performance in relation to the environmental and climate targets provided that the Member State concerned has met the condition set out in Article 124(1).

2. The performance bonus shall be equal to 5% of the amount per Member State for financial year 2027 as set out in Annex IX.

Resources transferred between the EAGF and the EAFRD under Articles 15 and 90 are excluded for the purpose of calculating the performance bonus.

Amendment 174

Proposal for a regulation

Article 124

Article 124

Attribution of the performance bonus

1. Based on the performance review of the year 2026, the performance bonus withheld from a Member State's allocation following the second paragraph of Article 123 shall be attributed to this Member State if the result indicators applied to the specific environmental and climate- related objectives set out in points (d), (e) and (f) of Article 6(1) in its CAP Strategic Plan have achieved at least 90% of their target value for the year 2025.
2. The Commission shall within two months of the receipt of the annual performance report in the year 2026 adopt an implementing act without applying the Committee procedure referred to in Article 139 to decide for each Member State whether the respective CAP Strategic Plans have achieved the target values referred to in paragraph 1 of this Article.
3. Where the target values referred to in paragraph 1 are achieved, the amount of the performance bonus shall be granted by the Commission to the Member States concerned and considered to be definitely allocated to financial year 2027 on the basis of the decision referred to in paragraph 2.
4. Where the target values referred to in paragraph 1 are not achieved, the commitments for financial year 2027 relating to the amount of the performance bonus of the Member States concerned shall not be granted by the Commission.
5. When attributing the performance bonus, the Commission may take into consideration cases of force majeure and serious socio-economic crises impeding the achievement of the relevant milestones.
6. The Commission shall adopt

Article 124

Attribution of the performance bonus

1. Based on the performance review of the year 2026, the performance bonus withheld from a Member State's allocation following the second paragraph of Article 123 shall be attributed to this Member State if the result indicators applied to the specific environmental and climate- related objectives set out in points (d), (e) and (f) of Article 6(1) in its CAP Strategic Plan have achieved at least 90% of their target value for the year 2025.
2. The Commission shall within two months of the receipt of the annual performance report in the year 2026 adopt an implementing act without applying the Committee procedure referred to in Article 139 to decide for each Member State whether the respective CAP Strategic Plans have achieved the target values referred to in paragraph 1 of this Article.
3. Where the target values referred to in paragraph 1 are achieved, the amount of the performance bonus shall be granted by the Commission to the Member States concerned and considered to be definitely allocated to financial year 2027 on the basis of the decision referred to in paragraph 2.
4. Where the target values referred to in paragraph 1 are not achieved, the commitments for financial year 2027 relating to the amount of the performance bonus of the Member States concerned shall not be granted by the Commission.
5. When attributing the performance bonus, the Commission may take into consideration cases of force majeure and serious socio-economic crises impeding the achievement of the relevant milestones.
6. The Commission shall adopt

implementing acts laying down the detailed arrangements to ensure a consistent approach for determining the attribution of the performance bonus to Member States. Those implementing acts shall be adopted in accordance with the examination procedure referred to in Article 139(2).

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Amendment 175

Proposal for a regulation Article 127 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

2. The Commission shall carry out an ***interim*** evaluation to examine the effectiveness, efficiency, relevance, coherence and Union added value of the EAGF and the EAFRD by the end of the third year following the start of implementation of the CAP Strategic Plans taking into account the indicators set out in Annex I. The Commission may make use of all relevant information already available in accordance with Article [128] of the [New Financial Regulation].

Amendment

2. The Commission shall carry out ***and make public*** an evaluation to examine the effectiveness, efficiency, relevance, coherence and Union added value of the EAGF and the EAFRD by the end of the third year following the start of implementation of the CAP Strategic Plans taking into account the indicators set out in Annex I. The Commission may make use of all relevant information already available in accordance with Article [128] of the [New Financial Regulation]. ***This shall be complemented by an external and independent evaluation report that covers the effectiveness, efficiency, implementation, complementarity, results and impacts of the EAGF and the EAFRD.***

Amendment 176

Proposal for a regulation Article 127 – paragraph 3

Text proposed by the Commission

3. ***The*** Commission shall carry out an ex post evaluation to examine the effectiveness, efficiency, relevance, coherence and Union added value of the

Amendment

3. ***By the end of the period covered by this Regulation, the*** Commission shall carry out ***and make publicly available*** an ex post evaluation to examine the effectiveness, efficiency, relevance,

EAGF and the EAFRD.

coherence and Union added value of the EAGF and the EAFRD. ***This shall be complemented by an external and independent ex post evaluation report that covers the effectiveness, efficiency, implementation, complementarity, results and impacts of the EAGF and the EAFRD.***

Amendment 177

Proposal for a regulation Article 129 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

1. Member States shall provide the Commission with all the necessary information enabling it to perform the monitoring and evaluation of the CAP.

Amendment

1. Member States shall provide the Commission with all the necessary information ***or data*** enabling it to perform the monitoring and evaluation of the CAP. ***Granting of CAP funds shall be conditional upon the provision by the Member States of this information and data.***

Justification

Member States need to collect data at individual beneficiary level to carry out the audit foreseen in the CAP. The transfer of these data to the European Commission is the easiest and most cost efficient way to collect information for monitoring and evaluation purposes, allowing the EU to demonstrate the performance of its own policy.

Amendment 178

Proposal for a regulation Article 129 – paragraph 3

Text proposed by the Commission

3. Existing administrative registers such as the IACS, LPIS, animal and vineyard registers shall be maintained. The IACS and LPIS shall be further developed to better meet the statistical needs of the CAP. Data from administrative registers shall be used as much as possible for

Amendment

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statistical purposes, in cooperation with statistical authorities in Member States and with Eurostat.

statistical purposes *and to monitor compliance*, in cooperation with statistical authorities in Member States and with Eurostat.

Amendment 179

Proposal for a regulation Annex I – table 1 – row 3

Text proposed by the Commission

Fostering knowledge, innovation and digitalisation in agriculture and rural areas and encouraging their uptake

I.1 Sharing knowledge and innovation: Share of CAP budget for knowledge sharing and innovation

R.1 Enhancing performance through knowledge and innovation: Share of farmers receiving support for advice, training, knowledge exchange, or participation in operational groups to enhance economic, environmental, climate and resource efficiency performance.

R.2 Linking advice and knowledge systems: number of advisors integrated within AKIS (compared to total number of farmers)

R.3 Digitising agriculture: Share of farmers benefitting from support to precision farming technology through CAP

Amendment

Fostering knowledge, innovation and digitalisation in agriculture and rural areas and encouraging their uptake

I.1 Sharing knowledge and innovation: Share of CAP budget for knowledge sharing and innovation

R.1 Enhancing performance through knowledge and innovation: Share of farmers receiving support for advice, training, knowledge exchange, or

participation in operational groups to enhance *sustainable* economic, environmental, climate and resource efficiency performance.

R.2 Linking advice and knowledge systems: number of advisors integrated within AKIS (compared to total number of farmers)

R.2 a Knowledge and advice on natural pest control without use of pesticides: number of independent advisors advising on, and uptake of, IPM, low-input systems and techniques alternative to chemical inputs.

R.3 Digitising agriculture: Share of farmers benefitting from support to precision farming technology *that can reduce the use of inputs, enhancing sustainability and environmental performance* through CAP

Amendment 180

Proposal for a regulation Annex I – table 1 – row 4

Text proposed by the Commission

Support viable farm income and resilience across the Union to

I.2 Reducing income disparities: Evolution of agricultural income

R.4 Linking income support to standards and good practices: Share of

enhance food security	<p>compared to general economy</p> <p>I.3 Reducing farm income variability: Evolution of agricultural income</p> <p>I.4 Supporting viable farm income: Evolution of agricultural income level by sectors (compared to the average in agriculture)</p> <p>I.5 Contributing to territorial balance: Evolution of agricultural income in areas with natural constraints (compared to the average)</p>	<p>UAA covered by income support and subject to conditionality</p> <p>R.5 Risk Management: Share of farms with CAP risk management tools</p> <p>R.6 Redistribution to smaller farms: Percentage additional support per hectare for eligible farms below average farm size (compared to average)</p> <p>R.7 Enhancing support to farms in areas with specific needs: Percentage additional support per hectare in areas with higher needs (compared to average)</p>
<i>Amendment</i>		
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Amendment 181

Proposal for a regulation Annex I – table 1 – row 5

Text proposed by the Commission

Enhance market orientation and increase competitiveness, including greater focus on research, technology and digitalisation

I.6 Increasing farm productivity: Total factor productivity

R.8 Targeting farms in sectors in difficulties: Share of farmers benefitting from coupled support for improving competitiveness, sustainability or quality

I.7 Harness Agri-food trade: Agri-food trade imports and exports

R.9 Farm modernisation: Share of farmers receiving investment support to restructure and modernise, including to improve resource efficiency

Amendment

Enhance market orientation and increase competitiveness, including greater focus on research, technology and digitalisation

I.6 Increasing farm productivity: Total factor productivity

R.8 Targeting farms in sectors in difficulties: Share of farmers benefitting from coupled support for improving competitiveness, sustainability or quality

I.6a Diversify and balance production sectors where feasible: share of the regional agricultural area used for each production sector.

I.7 Harness Agri-food trade: Agri-food trade imports and exports

R.9 Farm modernisation: Share of farmers receiving investment support to restructure and modernise, including to improve resource efficiency

Amendment 182

Proposal for a regulation
Annex I – table 1 – row 6

Text proposed by the Commission

Improve the farmers' position in the value chain

I.8 Improving farmers' position in the food chain: Value added for primary producers in the food chain

R.10 Better supply chain organisation: Share of farmers participating in supported Producer Groups, Producer Organisations, local markets, short supply chain circuits and quality schemes

R.11 Concentration of supply: Share of value of marketed production by Producer Os with operational programmes

Amendment

Improve the farmers' position in the value chain

I.8 Improving farmers' position in the food chain: Value added for primary producers in the food chain

R.10 Better supply chain organisation: Share of farmers **and SMEs** participating in supported Producer Groups, Producer Organisations, local markets, short supply chain circuits and quality schemes

R.11 Concentration of supply: Share of value of marketed production by Producer Os with operational programmes

Amendment 183

Proposal for a regulation
Annex I – table 1 – row 7

Text proposed by the Commission

Contribute to climate change mitigation and adaptation, as well as

I.9 Improving farm resilience: Index

R.12 Adaptation to climate change: Share of agricultural land under

sustainable energy

I.10 Contribute to climate change mitigation: Reducing GHG emissions from agriculture

I.11 Enhancing carbon sequestration: Increase the soil organic carbon

I.12 **Increase** sustainable energy in agriculture: Production of renewable energy from agriculture and forestry

commitments to improve climate adaptation

R.13 Reducing emissions in the livestock sector: Share of livestock units under support to reduce GHG emissions and/or ammonia, including manure management

R.14 Carbon storage in soils and biomass: Share of agricultural land under commitments to reducing emissions, maintaining and/or enhancing carbon storage (permanent grassland, agricultural land in peatland, forest, etc.)

R.15 Green energy from agriculture and forestry: Investments in renewable energy production capacity, including bio-based (MW)

R.16 Enhance energy efficiency: Energy savings in agriculture

R.17 Afforested land: Area supported for afforestation and creation of woodland, including agroforestry

Amendment

Contribute to climate change mitigation and adaptation, as well as sustainable energy

I.9 Improving farm resilience: Index

I.9a Improving resilience with enhanced genetic diversity: Agrobiodiversity Index, measuring varietal diversity within and among

R.12 Adaptation to climate change: Share of agricultural land under commitments to improve climate adaptation

R.12a Improving resilience with enhanced genetic diversity: share of agricultural land using practices and

crop species

I.10 Contribute to climate change mitigation: Reducing GHG emissions from agriculture

I.11 Enhancing carbon sequestration: Increase the soil organic carbon

I.12 ***Ensure production and use of*** sustainable energy in agriculture: Production ***and use*** of renewable energy from agriculture and forestry, ***showing net carbon sinking and net greenhouse gas savings without direct or indirect land use change***

choices beneficial for genetic diversity

R.13 Reducing emissions in the livestock sector: Share of livestock units under support to reduce GHG emissions and/or ammonia, including manure management

R.14 Carbon storage in soils and biomass: Share of agricultural land under commitments to reducing emissions, maintaining and/or enhancing carbon storage (permanent grassland, ***permanent crops with permanent green cover***, agricultural land in peatland, forest, etc.)

R.15 Green energy from agriculture and forestry: Investments in renewable energy production capacity, including bio-based (MW)

R.15a Ensuring biofuels from agriculture and forestry are effective and sustainable: investments without a direct or indirect link to land-use change

R.15b Reducing emissions from fertiliser use: Share of agricultural land under management commitments to reduce GHG emissions from

fertiliser use

R.16 Enhance energy efficiency: Energy savings in agriculture

R.17 Afforested land: Area supported for afforestation and creation of woodland, including agroforestry

Amendment 184

**Proposal for a regulation
Annex I – table 1 – row 8**

Text proposed by the Commission

Foster sustainable development and efficient management of natural resources such as water, soil and air

I.13 Reducing soil erosion: Percentage of land in moderate and severe soil erosion on agricultural land

I.14 Improving air quality: Reduce ammonia emissions from agriculture

I.15 Improving water quality: Gross nutrient balance on agricultural land

I.16 Reducing nutrient leakage: Nitrate in ground water - Percentage of ground water stations with N concentration over 50 mg/l as per the Nitrate directive

I.17 Reducing pressure on water resource: Water Exploitation Index Plus (WEI+)

R.18 Improving soils: Share of agricultural land under management commitments beneficial for soil management

R.19 Improving air quality: Share of agricultural land under commitments to reduce ammonia emission

R.20 Protecting water quality: Share of agricultural land under management commitments for water quality

R.21 Sustainable nutrient management: Share of agricultural land under commitments related to improved nutrient management

R.22 Sustainable water use: Share of irrigated land under commitments to improve water balance

R.23 Environment-
/climate-related
performance through
investment: Share of
farmers with support in
investments related to
care for the environment
or climate

R.24
Environmental/climate
performance through
knowledge: Share of
farmers receiving support
for advice/training related
to environmental- climate
performance

Amendment

Foster sustainable
development and efficient
management of natural
resources such as water,
soil and air

I.13 Reducing soil erosion
***and increase resilience
against extreme weather
conditions***: Percentage of
land in moderate and
severe soil erosion on
agricultural land

***I.13a Building topsoils
and increasing water and
nutrient retention
capacity: percentage of
humus in topsoil***

I.14 Improving air quality:
Reduce ammonia
emissions from
agriculture

R.18 Improving soils ***and
increasing their
resilience against
extreme weather
conditions***: Share of
agricultural land under
management
commitments beneficial
for soil management

***R.18a Development of
organic agriculture:
share of agricultural land
under payments to
convert to or maintain
organic farming practices***

***R.18b: Soil health:
Abundance and diversity
of soil biota***

R.19 Improving air
quality: Share of
agricultural land under
commitments to reduce
ammonia emission, ***as
provided for, amongst
others, in the National
Air Pollution Control
Programmes under***

Directive (EU) 2016/2284

I.15 Improving water quality: Gross nutrient balance on agricultural land

R.20 Protecting water quality: Share of agricultural land under management commitments for water quality

1.16 Reducing nutrient leakage: Nitrate in ground water - Percentage of ground water stations with N concentration over 50 mg/l as per the Nitrate directive

R.21 Sustainable nutrient management: Share of agricultural land under commitments related to improved nutrient management

I.17 Reducing pressure on water resource: Water Exploitation Index Plus (WEI+)

R.22 Sustainable water use: Share of irrigated land under commitments to improve water balance, ***including measures to reduce soil erosion, water metering and to increase soil water retention capacity, in accordance with the Programmes of Measures in the River Basin Management Plans***

I.17a Reducing pesticide leakage to groundwater and surface waters: percentage of groundwater bodies whose status is poor (based on the quality standards for individual and total pesticides set in Directive 2006/118/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council^{1a}) and percentage of surface water bodies in which environmental quality standards set in Directive 2008/105/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council^{1b} or by Member States for

R 22a: Reducing the environmental impact of livestock farming: livestock density per river basin, region and at Member State level

pesticides used in agriculture that are priority substances or river basin specific pollutants, respectively, are exceeded

R.23 Environment-
/climate-related
performance through
investment: Share of
farmers with support in
investments related to care
for the environment or
climate

R.24
Environmental/climate
performance through
knowledge: Share of
farmers receiving support
for advice/training related
to environmental- climate
performance

***R.24a Reduction of
leakage of pesticides:
Share of agricultural
land concerned by
supported specific actions
which lead to a reduction
of leakages of pesticides
to groundwater or
surface waters***

***R.24b Protection of soils
through crop rotation:
Share of arable land
where crop rotations
including a leguminous
component is applied***

^{1a} Directive 2006/118/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 12 December 2006 on the protection of groundwater against pollution and deterioration (OJ L 372, 27.12.2006, p.19).

^{1b} Directive 2008/105/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 16 December 2008 on environmental quality standards in the field of water policy, amending and subsequently repealing Council Directives 82/176/EEC, 83/513/EEC, 84/156/EEC, 84/491/EEC, 86/280/EEC and amending Directive 2000/60/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council (OJ L 348, 24.12.2008, p.84).

Amendment 185

Proposal for a regulation Annex I – table 1 – row 9

Text proposed by the Commission

Contribute to the protection of biodiversity,
enhance ecosystem
services ***and*** preserve
habitats and landscapes

I.18 Increasing farmland
bird populations:
Farmland Bird Index

R.25 Supporting
sustainable forest
management: Share of
forest land under
management
commitments to support
forest protection and
management.

I.19 Enhanced
biodiversity protection:
Percentage of species and
habitats of Community
interest related to
agriculture with stable or
increasing trends

R.26 Protecting forest
ecosystems: Share of
forest land under
management
commitments for
supporting landscape,
biodiversity and
ecosystem services

I.20 Enhanced provision
of ecosystem services:
share of UAA covered
with landscape features

R.27 Preserving habitats
and species: Share of
agricultural land under
management
commitments supporting
biodiversity conservation
or restoration

R.28 Supporting Natura
2000: Area in Natura
2000 sites under
commitments for
protection, maintenance
and restoration

R.29 Preserving landscape
features: Share of
agriculture land under
commitments for
managing landscape
features, including
hedgerows

Amendment

Halt and reverse

I.18 Increasing farmland

R.25 Supporting

biodiversity loss, enhance ecosystem services, preserve habitats and landscapes, and support High Nature Value farming systems

bird populations:
Farmland Bird Index

sustainable forest management: Share of forest land under management commitments to support forest protection and management.

I.19 Enhanced biodiversity protection: Percentage of species and habitats of Community interest related to agriculture with stable or increasing trends

R.26 Protecting forest ecosystems: Share of forest land under management commitments for supporting landscape, biodiversity and ecosystem services

I.20 Enhanced provision of ecosystem services: share of UAA covered with landscape features

R.27 Preserving habitats and species: Share of agricultural land under management commitments supporting biodiversity conservation or restoration

I.20a Reversing pollinator decline: Pollinators Indicator, including bees and butterflies

R.27a Boosting genetic diversity: Agrobiodiversity Index, measuring varietal diversity within and among crop species

R.28 Supporting Natura 2000: Area in Natura 2000 sites under commitments for protection, maintenance and restoration

R.29 Preserving landscape features: Share of agriculture land under commitments for managing landscape features, including

hedgerows

R.29a Fostering high nature value farming: Share of agricultural area under management commitments to generate high nature value

Amendment 186

Proposal for a regulation Annex I – table 1 – row 10

Text proposed by the Commission

Attract young farmers and facilitate business development in rural areas

1.21 Attracting young farmers: Evolution of number of new farmers

R.30 Generational renewal: Number of young farmers setting up a farm with support from the CAP

Amendment

Attract young farmers and facilitate business development in rural areas

1.21 Attracting young farmers: Evolution of number of new farmers

R.30 Generational renewal: Number of young farmers setting up a farm with support from the CAP

Amendment 187

Proposal for a regulation Annex I – table 1 – row 11

Text proposed by the Commission

Promote employment, growth, social inclusion and local development in rural areas, including bio-economy and sustainable forestry

I.22 Contributing to jobs in rural areas: Evolution of the employment rate in predominantly rural areas

R.31 Growth and jobs in rural areas: New jobs in supported projects

I.23 Contributing to growth in rural areas: Evolution of GDP per head in predominantly

R.32 Developing the rural bioeconomy: Number of bio-economy businesses

rural areas

1.24 A fairer CAP:
Improve the distribution
of CAP support

I.25 Promoting rural
inclusion: Evolution of
poverty index in rural
areas

developed with support

R.33 Digitising the rural
economy: **Rural**
population covered by a
supported Smart Villages
strategy

R.34 Connecting rural
Europe: Share of rural
population benefitting
from improved access to
services and infrastructure
through CAP support

R.35 Promoting social
inclusion: Number of
people from minority
and/or vulnerable groups
benefitting from
supported social inclusion
projects

Amendment

Promote employment,
growth, social inclusion
and local development in
rural areas, including bio-
economy and sustainable
forestry

I.22 Contributing to jobs
in rural areas: Evolution
of the employment rate in
predominantly rural areas

R.31 Growth and jobs in
rural areas: New jobs in
supported projects

I.23 Contributing to
growth in rural areas:
Evolution of GDP per
head in predominantly
rural areas

R.32 Developing the rural
bioeconomy: Number of
bio-economy businesses
developed with support

1.24 A fairer CAP:
Improve the distribution
of CAP support

R.33 Digitising the rural
economy: **Share of rural**
population covered by a
supported Smart Villages
strategy

I.25 Promoting rural
inclusion: Evolution of
poverty index in rural
areas

R.34 Connecting rural
Europe: Share of rural
population benefitting
from improved access to
services and infrastructure
through CAP support

R.35 Promoting social

inclusion: Number of people from minority and/or vulnerable groups benefitting from supported social inclusion projects

Amendment 188

Proposal for a regulation Annex I – table 1 – row 12

Text proposed by the Commission

Improve the response of EU agriculture to societal demands on food and health, including safe, nutritious and sustainable food, as well as animal welfare

I.26 Limiting antibiotic use in agriculture: sales/use in food producing animals

R.36 Limiting antibiotic use: Share of livestock units concerned by supported actions to limit the use of antibiotics (prevention/reduction)

I.27 Sustainable use of pesticides: ***Reduce risks and impacts*** of pesticides**

R.37 Sustainable pesticide use: Share of agricultural land concerned by supported specific actions which lead to ***a sustainable*** use of pesticides ***in order to reduce risks and impacts of pesticides***

I.28 Responding to consumer demand for quality food: Value of production under EU quality schemes (incl. organics)

R.38 Improving animal welfare: Share of livestock units covered by supported action to improve animal welfare

** Directive on sustainable use of pesticides

Amendment

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food, as well as animal welfare

(prevention/reduction)

I.26a Sustainable use of veterinary products in livestock: Sales and use of veterinary products in food producing animals

R.36a Sustainable use of veterinary products: Share of livestock affected by support measures to limit the use of veterinary products (prevention/reduction) to reduce the risks and adverse effects of these products

I.27 Sustainable use of pesticides: ***Reduced dependence on use*** of pesticides

R.37 Sustainable pesticide use: Share of agricultural land concerned by supported specific actions which lead to a ***reduced dependence on the*** use of pesticides

R.37a Reducing pesticide dependency: volumes of pesticides sold and used (pesticides statistics)

I.28 Responding to consumer demand for quality food: Value of production under EU quality schemes (incl. organics)

R.38 Improving animal welfare: Share of livestock units covered by supported action to improve animal welfare

I.28a. Reduction of non-compliance with available animal welfare legislation (Council Regulation No 1099/2009, Council Directive 2007/43/EC, Council Directive 1999/74/EC)

R.38a Reducing livestock density: number of livestock unit per agricultural area

I.28b. Reduction of livestock density by species in the Member State

** Directive on sustainable use of pesticides

Amendment 189

Proposal for a regulation Annex I – table 2

Text proposed by the Commission

European Innovation
Partnership for
agricultural knowledge
and innovation (EIP)**

O.1 Number of EIP operational groups

O.2 Number of advisors setting up or participating in EIP
operational groups

CAP support

O.3 Number of CAP support beneficiaries

Decoupled direct support

O.4 Number of ha for decoupled DP

O.5 Number of beneficiaries for decoupled DP

O.6 Number of ha subject to enhanced income support for young
farmers

O.7 Number of beneficiaries subject to enhanced income
support for young farmers

Risk management tools

O.8 Number of farmers covered by supported risk management
instruments

Coupled support

O.9 Number of ha benefitting from coupled support

O.10 Number of heads benefitting from coupled support

Payments for natural
constraints and other
region specific
constraints

O.11 Number of ha receiving ANC top up (3 categories)

O.12 Number of ha receiving support under Natura 2000 or
the Water Framework Directive

Payments for
management
commitments
(environment-climate,
genetic resources, animal
welfare)

O.13 Number of ha (agricultural) covered by
environment/climate commitments going beyond mandatory
requirements

O.14 Number of ha (forestry) covered by environment/climate
commitments going beyond mandatory requirements

O.15 Number of ha with support for organic farming

	O.16 Number of livestock units covered by support for animal welfare, health or increased biosecurity measures
	O.17 Number of projects supporting genetic resources
Investments	O.18 Number of supported on-farm productive investments
	O.19 Number of supported local infrastructures
	O.20 Number of supported non-productive investments
	O.21 Number of off-farm productive investments
Installation grants	O.22 Number of farmers receiving installation grants
	O.23 Number of rural entrepreneurs receiving installation grants
Cooperation	O.24 Number of supported producer groups/organisations
	O.25 Number of farmers receiving support to participate in EU quality schemes
	O.26 Number of generational renewal projects (young/non-young farmers)
	O.27 Number of local development strategies (LEADER)
	O.28 Number of other cooperation groups (excluding EIP reported under O.1)
Knowledge exchange and information	O.29 Number of farmers trained/given advice
	O.30 Number of non-farmers trained/given advice
Horizontal indicators	O.31 Number of ha under environmental practices (synthesis indicator on physical area covered by conditionality, ELS, AECM, forestry measures, organic farming)
	O.32 Number of ha subject to conditionality (broken down by GAEP practice)
Sectorial programmes	O.33 Number of producer organisations setting up an operational fund/program
	O.34 Number of promotion and information actions, and market monitoring
	O.35 Number of actions for beekeeping preservation/improvement

**Support to operational Groups under EIP falls under the provisions of cooperation.

Amendment

European Innovation Partnership for agricultural knowledge	O.1 Number of EIP operational groups
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and innovation (EIP)**

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Coupled support	O.9 Number of ha benefitting from coupled support
	O.10 Number of heads benefitting from coupled support
Payments for natural constraints and other region specific constraints	O.11 Number of ha receiving ANC top up (3 categories)
	O.12 Number of ha receiving support under Natura 2000 or the Water Framework Directive
Payments for management commitments (environment-climate, genetic resources, animal welfare)	O.13 Number of ha (agricultural) covered by environment/climate commitments going beyond mandatory requirements
	O.14 Number of ha (forestry) covered by environment/climate commitments going beyond mandatory requirements
	O.15 Number of ha with support for organic farming
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Horizontal indicators	O.31 Number of ha under environmental practices (synthesis indicator on physical area covered by conditionality, ELS, AECS, forestry measures, organic farming)
	O.32 Number of ha subject to conditionality (broken down by GAEC practice)
Sectorial programmes	O.33 Number of producer organisations setting up an operational fund/program
	O.34 Number of promotion and information actions, and market monitoring
	O.35 Number of actions for beekeeping preservation/improvement

**Support to operational Groups under EIP falls under the provisions of cooperation.

Amendment 190

Proposal for a regulation

Annex III – table 1 – column 2 – row 2

Text proposed by the Commission

Climate change	GAEC 1	Maintenance of permanent grassland based on a ratio of permanent grassland in relation to agricultural area	General safeguard against conversion to other agricultural uses to preserve carbon stock
(mitigation of and adaptation to)	GAEC 2	Appropriate protection of wetland and peatland	Protection of carbon-rich soils
	GAEC 3	Ban on burning arable stubble, except for plant	Maintenance of soil

		health reasons	organic matter
		<i>Amendment</i>	
Climate change	GAEC 1	Maintenance of permanent grassland based on a ratio of permanent grassland in relation to agricultural area <i>and the rate of conversion to arable land. This ratio should not decrease by more than 5% compared to an equivalent ratio that is established by Member States for reference year 2013.</i>	General safeguard against conversion to other agricultural uses to preserve carbon stock
(mitigation of and adaptation to)	GAEC 2	<i>Effective</i> protection of wetland and peatland	Protection of carbon-rich soils
	GAEC 3	Ban on burning arable stubble, except for plant health reasons	Maintenance of soil organic matter, <i>reducing air pollution</i>
	<i>GAEC 3a</i>	<i>Maximum stocking density.</i>	<i>No exceedance of a limit of 0.7 livestock units per hectare on agricultural land</i>

Amendment 191

Proposal for a regulation

Annex III – table 1 – column 2 – row 3

Text proposed by the Commission

Water	SMR 1	<p>Directive 2000/60/EC of 23 October 2000 of the European Parliament and of the Council establishing a framework for Community action in the field of water policy:</p> <p>Article 11(3)(e) and Article 11(3)(h) as regards mandatory requirements to control diffuse sources of</p>
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	pollution by phosphates	
SMR 2	Council Directive 91/676/EEC of 12 December 1991 concerning the protection of waters against pollution caused by nitrates from agricultural sources (OJ L 375, 31.12.1991, p. 1): Articles 4 and 5	
GAEC 4	Establishment of buffer strips along water courses ¹	Protection of river courses against pollution and run-off
GAEC 5	Use of Farm Sustainability Tool for Nutrients ²	Sustainable management of nutrients

¹ The GAEC buffer strips must respect, both within and outside vulnerable zones designated pursuant to Article 3(2) of Directive 91/676/EEC, at least the requirements relating to the conditions for land application of fertiliser near water courses, referred to in point A.4 of Annex II to Directive 91/676/EEC to be applied in accordance with the action programmes of Member States established under Article 5(4) of Directive 91/676/EEC

² The Tool shall provide at least for the following elements and functionalities:

a) Elements

- Relevant farm information based on LPIS and IACS;
- Information from the soil sampling , on an appropriate spatial and temporal scale;
- Information on relevant management practices, crop history, and yield goals;
- Indications regarding legal limits and requirements relevant to farm nutrients management;
- A complete nutrient budget.

b) Functionalities

- Automatic integration of data from various sources (LPIS and IACS, farmer-generated data, soil analyses etc.) as far as possible, to avoid data input duplication for farmers;
- Two-way communication between PA/MAs and farmers allowed;
- Modularity and possibility to support further sustainability objectives (e.g. emissions management, water management)
- Respect of EU data inter-operability, openness and re-use principles;
- Guarantees for data security and privacy in line with best current standards.

Amendment

Water	SMR 1	Article 11(3)(e), Article 11(3)(h), Article 11(3)(j) and Article 11(3)(k) as regards mandatory requirements to control diffuse sources of pollution by phosphates	
	SMR 2	Council Directive 91/676/EEC of 12 December 1991 concerning the protection of waters against pollution caused by nitrates from agricultural sources (OJ L 375, 31.12.1991, p. 1): Articles 4 and 5	
	GAEC 4	Establishment of buffer strips along water courses ¹ with a minimum width of 3 m and on which no fertilisers and plant protection products may be used	Protection of river courses, <i>pollinators, water supplies and aquatic species or ecosystems</i> against pollution, <i>toxicity</i> and run-off
	GAEC 5	Use of Farm Sustainability Tool for Nutrients ² and Input Reduction	Sustainable management of nutrients, <i>pesticides and veterinary products, as appropriate to the size and intensity of the holding</i>

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Amendment 192

Proposal for a regulation

Annex III – table 1 – column 2 – row 4

<i>Text proposed by the Commission</i>			
Soil	GAEC 6	<i>Tillage</i> management reducing the risk of soil degradation, including slope consideration	Minimum land management reflecting site specific conditions to limit erosion
(protection and quality)	GAEC 7	No bare soil in most sensitive period(s)	<i>Protection</i> of soils <i>in winter</i>
	GAEC 8	<i>Crop</i> rotation	Preserve the soil potential
<i>Amendment</i>			
Soil	GAEC 6	<i>Appropriate tillage and soil</i> management reducing the risk of soil degradation, including slope consideration	Minimum land management reflecting site specific conditions to limit erosion <i>and to preserve carbon stock</i>
(protection and quality)	GAEC 7	No bare soil in most sensitive period(s)	<i>Physical protection</i> of soils <i>against erosion and maintaining soil biota, whilst allowing for traditional practices</i>
	GAEC 8	<i>Minimum four years crop</i> rotation <i>including a leguminous crop</i>	Preserve the soil potential

Amendment 193

Proposal for a regulation

Annex III – table 1 – column 2 – row 5

Text proposed by the Commission

Biodiversity and landscape (protection and quality)	SMR 3	Directive 2009/147/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 30 November 2009 on the conservation of wild birds (OJ L 20, 26.1.2010, p. 7): Article 3(1), Article 3(2)(b), Article 4(1), (2) and (4)	
	SMR 4	Council Directive 92/43/EEC of 21 May 1992 on the conservation of natural habitats and of wild flora and fauna (OJ L 206, 22.7.1992, p. 7): Article 6(1) and (2)	
	GAEC 9	Minimum share of agricultural area devoted to non-productive features or areas Retention of landscape features Ban on cutting hedges and trees during the bird breeding and rearing season As an option, measures for avoiding invasive plant species	Maintenance of non-productive features and area to improve on-farm biodiversity
	GAEC 10	Ban on converting or ploughing permanent grassland in Natura 2000 sites	Protection of habitats and species

Amendment

Biodiversity and landscape	SMR 3	Directive 2009/147/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 30
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e		November 2009 on the conservation of wild birds (OJ L 20, 26.1.2010, p. 7):	
(protection and quality)		Article 3(1), Article 3(2)(b), Article 4(1), (2) and (4) and Article 5(a), (b) and (d)	
	SMR 4	Council Directive 92/43/EEC of 21 May 1992 on the conservation of natural habitats and of wild flora and fauna (OJ L 206, 22.7.1992, p. 7): Article 2, Article 3(3), Article 6(1) and (2), Article 12(1), Article 13(1)	
	GAEC 9	Minimum share of 7 % of agricultural area devoted to non-productive features or areas where no synthetic pesticides and fertilisers are used Retention of landscape features Ban on cutting hedges and trees during the bird breeding and rearing season As an option, measures for avoiding invasive plant species	Maintenance of non-productive features and area to improve on-farm biodiversity including functional biodiversity and beneficial species
	GAEC 10	Ban on converting or ploughing permanent grassland in Natura 2000 sites	Protection of habitats and species, carbon sinking

Amendment 194

Proposal for a regulation

Annex III – table 1 – column 2 – row 6

Text proposed by the Commission

Food safety	SMR 5	Regulation (EC) No 178/2002 of the
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European Parliament and of the Council of 28 January 2002 laying down the general principles and requirements of food law, establishing the European Food Safety Authority and laying down procedures in matters of food safety (OJ L 31, 1.2.2002, p. 1):

Articles 14 and 15, Article 17(1)³ and Articles 18, 19 and 20

SMR 6

Council Directive 96/22/EC of 29 April 1996 concerning the prohibition on the use in stockfarming of certain substances having a hormonal or thyrostatic action and beta-agonists, and repealing Directives 81/602/EEC, 88/146/EEC and 88/299/EEC (OJ L 125, 23.5.1996, p. 3):

Article 3(a), (b), (d) and (e) and Articles 4, 5 and 7

³ As implemented in particular by:

— Article 14 of Regulation (EC) No 470/2009 and the Annex of Regulation (EC) No 37/2010,

— Regulation (EC) No 852/2004: Article 4(1) and Annex I part A (II 4 (g, h, j), 5 (f, h), 6; III 8 (a, b, d, e), 9 (a, c)),

— Regulation (EC) No 853/2004: Article 3(1) and Annex III Section IX Chapter 1 (I-1 b, c, d, e; I-2 a (i, ii, iii), b (i, ii), c; I-3; I-4; I-5; II-A 1, 2, 3, 4; II-B 1(a, d), 2, 4 (a, b)), Annex III Section X Chapter 1(1),

— Regulation (EC) No 183/2005: Article 5(1) and Annex I, part A (I-4 e, g; II-2 a, b, e), Article 5(5) and Annex III (under the heading ‘FEEDING’, point 1 entitled ‘Storage’, first and last sentences, and point 2 entitled ‘Distribution’, third sentence), Article 5(6), and

— Regulation (EC) No 396/2005: Article 18.

Amendment

Food
safety

SMR 5

Regulation (EC)
No 178/2002 of the

	European Parliament and of the Council of 28 January 2002 laying down the general principles and requirements of food law, establishing the European Food Safety Authority and laying down procedures in matters of food safety (OJ L 31, 1.2.2002, p. 1):
	Articles 14 and 15, Article 17(1) ³ and Articles 18, 19 and 20
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	Article 3(a), (b), (d) and (e) and Articles 4, 5 and 7
SMR 6a	<i>Regulation (EU) 2019/6 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 December 2018 on veterinary medicinal products and repealing Directive 2001/82/EC (OJ L 4, 7.1.2019, p. 43):</i> <i>Articles 107 and 108</i>

³ As implemented in particular by:

— Article 14 of Regulation (EC) No 470/2009 and the Annex of Regulation (EC) No 37/2010,

— Regulation (EC) No 852/2004: Article 4(1) and Annex I part A (II 4 (g, h, j), 5 (f, h), 6; III 8 (a, b, d, e), 9 (a, c)),

— Regulation (EC) No 853/2004: Article 3(1) and Annex III Section IX Chapter 1 (I-1 b, c, d, e; I-2 a (i, ii, iii), b (i, ii), c; I-3; I-4; I-5; II-A 1, 2, 3, 4; II-B 1(a, d), 2, 4 (a, b)), Annex III

Section X Chapter 1(1),

— Regulation (EC) No 183/2005: Article 5(1) and Annex I, part A (I-4 e, g; II-2 a, b, e), Article 5(5) and Annex III (under the heading ‘FEEDING’, point 1 entitled ‘Storage’, first and last sentences, and point 2 entitled ‘Distribution’, third sentence), Article 5(6), and

— Regulation (EC) No 396/2005: Article 18.

Amendment 195

Proposal for a regulation

Annex III – table 1 – column 2 – row 7

Text proposed by the Commission

Identification and registration of animals	SMR 7	Council Directive 2008/71/EC of 15 July 2008 on identification and registration of pigs (OJ L 213, 8.8.2005, p. 31): Articles 3, 4 and 5
	SMR 8	Regulation (EC) No 1760/2000 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 17 July 2000 establishing a system for the identification and registration of bovine animals and regarding the labelling of beef and beef products and repealing Council Regulation (EC) No 820/97(OJ L 204, 11.8.2000, p. 1): Articles 4 and 7
	SMR 9	Council Regulation (EC) No 21/2004 of 17 December 2003 establishing a system for the identification and registration of ovine and caprine animals and amending Regulation (EC) No 1782/2003 and Directives 92/102/EEC and 64/432/EEC (OJ L 5, 9.1.2004, p. 8):

Articles 3, 4 and 5

Amendment

Identification and registration of animals	SMR 7	Council Directive 2008/71/EC of 15 July 2008 on identification and registration of pigs (OJ L 213, 8.8.2005, p. 31): Articles 3, 4 and 5
	SMR 8	Regulation (EC) No 1760/2000 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 17 July 2000 establishing a system for the identification and registration of bovine animals and regarding the labelling of beef and beef products and repealing Council Regulation (EC) No 820/97(OJ L 204, 11.8.2000, p. 1): Articles 4 and 7
	SMR 9	Council Regulation (EC) No 21/2004 of 17 December 2003 establishing a system for the identification and registration of ovine and caprine animals and amending Regulation (EC) No 1782/2003 and Directives 92/102/EEC and 64/432/EEC (OJ L 5, 9.1.2004, p. 8): Articles 3, 4 and 5

Amendment 196

Proposal for a regulation

Annex III – table 1 – column 2 – row 8

Text proposed by the Commission

Animal diseases	SMR 10	Regulation (EC) No 999/2001 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 22 May 2001 laying down rules for the prevention, control and eradication of certain transmissible spongiform encephalopathies (OJ L 147, 31.5.2001, p. 1): Articles 7, 11, 12, 13 and 15
	SMR 11	Regulation (EU) 2016/429 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 9 March 2016 on transmissible animal diseases (OJ L 84, 31.3.2016, p.1) Article 18(1), limited to foot-and-mouth disease, swine vesicular disease and blue tongue.

Amendment

Animal diseases	SMR 10	Regulation (EC) No 999/2001 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 22 May 2001 laying down rules for the prevention, control and eradication of certain transmissible spongiform encephalopathies (OJ L 147, 31.5.2001, p. 1): Articles 7, 11, 12, 13 and 15
	SMR 11	Regulation (EU) 2016/429 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 9 March 2016 on transmissible animal diseases (OJ L 84, 31.3.2016, p.1)

Article 18(1), limited to
foot-and-mouth disease,
swine vesicular disease
and blue tongue.

Amendment 197

Proposal for a regulation

Annex III – table 1 – column 2 – row 9

Text proposed by the Commission

Plant protection products	SMR 12	Regulation (EC) No 1107/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 21 October 2009 concerning the placing of plant protection products on the market and repealing Council Directives 79/117/EEC and 91/414/EEC (OJ L 309, 24.11.2009, p. 1): Article 55, first and second sentence
	SMR 13	Directive 2009/128/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 21 October 2009 establishing a framework for Community action to achieve the sustainable use of pesticides (OJ L 309, 24.11.2009, p. 71): Article 5(2) and Article 8(1) to (5) Article 12 with regard to restrictions on the use of pesticides in protected areas defined on the basis of the Water Framework Directive and Natura 2000 legislation. Article 13(1) and (3) on handling and storage of pesticides and disposal of

remnants.

Amendment

Plant
protection
products

SMR 12

Regulation (EC) No 1107/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 21 October 2009 concerning the placing of plant protection products on the market and repealing Council Directives 79/117/EEC and 91/414/EEC (OJ L 309, 24.11.2009, p. 1):

Article 55, first and second sentence

Article 67

SMR 13

Directive 2009/128/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 21 October 2009 establishing a framework for Community action to achieve the sustainable use of pesticides (OJ L 309, 24.11.2009, p. 71):

Article 5(2) and Article 8(1) to (5)

Article 12 with regard to restrictions on the use of pesticides in protected areas defined on the basis of the Water Framework Directive and Natura 2000 legislation.

Article 13(1) and (3) on handling and storage of pesticides and disposal of remnants.

Article 14

Amendment 198

Proposal for a regulation

Annex III – table 1 – column 2 – row 10

Text proposed by the Commission

Animal welfare	SMR 14	Council Directive 2008/119/EC of 18 December 2008 laying down minimum standards for the protection of calves (OJ L 10, 15.1.2009, p. 7): Articles 3 and 4
	SMR 15	Council Directive 2008/120/EC of 18 December 2008 laying down minimum standards for the protection of pigs (OJ L 47, 18.2.2009, p. 5): Article 3 and Article 4
	SMR 16	Council Directive 98/58/EC of 20 July 1998 concerning the protection of animals kept for farming purposes(OJ L 221, 8.8.1998, p. 23): Article 4

Amendment

Animal welfare	GAEC 10a	<i>Animals must be able to lie down, stand up, extend their limbs and turn around</i>
	SMR 14	Council Directive 2008/119/EC of 18 December 2008 laying down minimum standards for the protection of calves (OJ L 10, 15.1.2009, p. 7): Articles 3 and 4
	SMR 15	Council Directive 2008/120/EC of 18 December 2008 laying down minimum standards

for the protection of pigs
(OJ L 47, 18.2.2009, p. 5):

Article 3 and Article 4

SMR 16

Council Directive
98/58/EC of 20 July 1998
concerning the protection
of animals kept for
farming purposes(OJ L
221, 8.8.1998, p. 23):

SMR 16a

***Council Regulation (EC)
No 1099/2009 of 24
September 2009 on the
protection of animals at
the time of killing (OJ L
303, 18.11.2009, p. 1):***

Articles 3 and 4

SMR 16b

***Council Directive
2007/43/EC of 28 June
2007 laying down
minimum rules for the
protection of chickens
kept for meat production
(OJ L 182, 12.7.2007, p.
19):***

Article 3

SMR 16c

***Council Directive
1999/74/EC of 19 July
1999 laying down
minimum standards for
the protection of laying
hens (OJ L 203, 3.8.1999,
p. 53):***

Article 3

SMR 16d

***Council Regulation (EC)
No 1/2005 of 22
December 2004 on the
protection of animals
during transport and
related operations and
amending Directives
64/432/EEC and
93/119/EC and
Regulation (EC) No
1255/97 (OJ L 3,***

5.1.2005, p. 1):

Article 3

Amendment 199

**Proposal for a regulation
Annex XI**

Text proposed by the Commission

Annex XI

EU legislation concerning the environment and climate to whose objectives member states' cap strategic plans should contribute pursuant to articles 96, 97 and 103:

- Directive 2009/147/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 30 November 2009 on the conservation of wild birds;
- Council Directive 92/43/EEC of 21 May 1992 on the conservation of natural habitats and of wild fauna and flora;
- Directive 2000/60/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 October 2000 establishing a framework for Community action in the field of water policy;
- Council Directive 91/676/EEC of 12 December 1991 concerning the protection of waters against pollution caused by nitrates from agricultural sources;
- Directive 2008/50/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council on ambient air quality and cleaner air for Europe;
- Directive (EU) 2016/2284 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 14 December 2016 on the reduction of national emissions of certain atmospheric pollutants, amending Directive 2003/35/EC and repealing Directive 2001/81/EC;
- [Regulation XXXX of the European Parliament and of the Council on the inclusion of greenhouse gas emissions and removals from land use, land use change and forestry into the 2030 climate and energy framework and amending Regulation No 525/2013 of the European Parliament and the Council on a mechanism for monitoring and reporting greenhouse gas emissions and other information relevant to climate change];
- [Regulation XXX of the European Parliament and of the Council on binding annual greenhouse gas emission reductions by Member States from 2021 to 2030 for a resilient Energy Union and to meet commitments under the Paris Agreement and amending Regulation
- No 525/2013 of the European Parliament and the Council on a mechanism for monitoring and reporting greenhouse gas emissions and other information relevant to climate change];
- Directive 2009/28/EC on the promotion of the use of energy from renewable sources;
- [Directive XXX of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Directive 2012/27/EU on energy efficiency];
- [Regulation XXXX of the European Parliament and of the Council on the Governance

of the Energy Union, amending Directive 94/22/EC, Directive 98/70/EC, Directive 2009/31/EC, Regulation (EC) No 663/2009, Regulation (EC) No 715/2009, Directive 2009/73/EC, Council Directive 2009/119/EC, Directive 2010/31/EU, Directive 2012/27/EU, Directive 2013/30/EU and Council Directive (EU) 2015/652 and repealing Regulation (EU) No 525/2013];

- Directive 2009/128/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 21 October 2009 establishing a framework for Community action to achieve the sustainable use of pesticides.

Amendment

Annex XI

EU legislation concerning the environment and climate to whose objectives member states' cap strategic plans should contribute pursuant to articles 96, 97 and 103:

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- Council Directive 92/43/EEC of 21 May 1992 on the conservation of natural habitats and of wild fauna and flora;
- Directive 2000/60/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 October 2000 establishing a framework for Community action in the field of water policy;
- Council Directive 91/676/EEC of 12 December 1991 concerning the protection of waters against pollution caused by nitrates from agricultural sources;
- Directive 2008/50/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council on ambient air quality and cleaner air for Europe;
- Directive (EU) 2016/2284 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 14 December 2016 on the reduction of national emissions of certain atmospheric pollutants, amending Directive 2003/35/EC and repealing Directive 2001/81/EC;
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- Directive 2009/28/EC on the promotion of the use of energy from renewable sources;
- [Directive XXX of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Directive 2012/27/EU on energy efficiency];
- [Regulation XXXX of the European Parliament and of the Council on the Governance of the Energy Union, amending Directive 94/22/EC, Directive 98/70/EC, Directive

2009/31/EC, Regulation (EC) No 663/2009, Regulation (EC) No 715/2009, Directive 2009/73/EC, Council Directive 2009/119/EC, Directive 2010/31/EU, Directive 2012/27/EU, Directive 2013/30/EU and Council Directive (EU) 2015/652 and repealing Regulation (EU) No 525/2013];

- Directive 2009/128/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 21 October 2009 establishing a framework for Community action to achieve the sustainable use of pesticides.

- ***Regulation (EU) XX/XX of the European Parliament and of the Council on minimum requirements for water reuse;***

- ***Regulation (EC) No 1107/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 21 October 2009 concerning the placing of plant protection products on the market and repealing Council Directives 79/117/EEC and 91/414/EEC.***

Amendment 200

Proposal for a regulation Annex XI a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

ANNEX XIa

***EU LEGISLATION CONCERNING
ANIMAL WELFARE TO WHOSE
OBJECTIVES MEMBER STATES' CAP
STRATEGIC PLANS SHOULD
CONTRIBUTE PURSUANT TO
ARTICLES 96, 97 AND 103:***

- Council Directive 98/58/EC of 20 July 1998 concerning the protection of animals kept for farming purposes;

- Council Directive 1999/74/EC of 19 July 1999 laying down minimum standards for the protection of laying hens;

- Council Directive 2007/43/EC of 28 June 2007 laying down minimum rules for the protection of chickens kept for meat production;

- Council Directive 2008/119/EC of 18 December 2008 laying down minimum standards for the protection of calves;

- Council Directive 2008/120/EC of 18 December 2008 laying down minimum

standards for the protection of pigs;

- Commission Regulation (EC) No 543/2008 of 16 June 2008 laying down detailed rules for the application of Council Regulation (EC) No 1234/2007 as regards the marketing standards for poultrymeat;

- Council Regulation (EC) No 1/2005 of 22 December 2004 on the protection of animals during transport and related operations and amending Directives 64/432/EEC and 93/119/EC and Regulation (EC) No 1255/97;

- Council Regulation (EC) No 1099/2009 of 24 September 2009 on the protection of animals at the time of killing;

- Regulation (EU) 2019/6 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 December 2018 on veterinary medicinal products and repealing Directive 2001/82/EC

- Regulation (EU) 2019/4 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 December 2018 on the manufacture, placing on the market and use of medicated feed, amending Regulation (EC) No 183/2005 of the European Parliament and of the Council and repealing Council Directive 90/167/EEC

- Regulation (EU) 2017/625 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 15 March 2017 on official controls and other official activities performed to ensure the application of food and feed law, rules on animal health and welfare, plant health and plant protection products;

Amendment 201

Proposal for a regulation

Annex XII – table 1 – row 5

Text proposed by the Commission

Contribute to climate change mitigation and adaptation, as well as sustainable energy;

R.14 Carbon storage in soils and biomass:
Share of agricultural land under commitments to reducing emissions, maintaining and/or enhancing carbon storage (permanent grassland, agricultural land in peatland, forest, etc.)

Amendment

Contribute to climate change mitigation and adaptation, as well as sustainable energy;

R.14 Carbon storage in soils and biomass:
Share of agricultural land under commitments to reducing emissions, maintaining and/or enhancing carbon storage (permanent grassland, ***permanent crops***, agricultural land in peatland, forest, etc.)

PROCEDURE – COMMITTEE ASKED FOR OPINION

Title	Establishing rules on support for strategic plans to be drawn up by Member States under the Common agricultural policy (CAP Strategic Plans) and financed by the European Agricultural Guarantee Fund (EAGF) and by the European Agricultural Fund for Rural Development (EAFRD)						
References	COM(2018)0392 – C8-0248/2018 – 2018/0216(COD)						
Committee responsible Date announced in plenary	AGRI 11.6.2018						
Opinion by Date announced in plenary	ENVI 11.6.2018						
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Rapporteur Date appointed	Giovanni La Via 3.7.2018						
Discussed in committee	6.12.2018						
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Members present for the final vote	Marco Affronte, Margrete Auken, Catherine Bearder, Biljana Borzan, Paul Brannen, Soledad Cabezón Ruiz, Nessa Childers, Birgit Collin-Langen, Miriam Dalli, Seb Dance, Angélique Delahaye, Bas Eickhout, José Inácio Faria, Francesc Gambús, Elisabetta Gardini, Arne Gericke, Jens Gieseke, Julie Girling, Sylvie Goddyn, Françoise Grossetête, Andrzej Grzyb, Jytte Guteland, Karin Kadenbach, Kateřina Konečná, Urszula Krupa, Giovanni La Via, Peter Liese, Jiří Maštálka, Joëlle Mélin, Susanne Melior, Rory Palmer, Massimo Paolucci, Gilles Pargneaux, Bolesław G. Piecha, Frédérique Ries, Michèle Rivasi, Annie Schreijer-Pierik, Ivica Tolić, Nils Torvalds, Adina-Ioana Vălean, Jadwiga Wiśniewska, Damiano Zoffoli						
Substitutes present for the final vote	Eleonora Evi, Christophe Hansen, Martin Häusling, Merja Kyllönen, Alojz Peterle, Carolina Punset, Bart Staes, Babette Winter						
Substitutes under Rule 200(2) present for the final vote	Heinz K. Becker, Edward Czesak, Sophia in 't Veld, Jude Kirton-Darling, Arndt Kohn, Dietmar Köster, Olle Ludvigsson, Stanisław Ożóg, José Ignacio Salafranca Sánchez-Neyra						

FINAL VOTE BY ROLL CALL IN COMMITTEE ASKED FOR OPINION

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ALDE :	Catherine Bearder, Carolina Punset, Frédérique Ries, Nils Torvalds, Sophia in 't Veld
EFDD/	Eleonora Evi
GUE/NGL :	Merja Kyllönen
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12.2.2019

OPINION OF THE COMMITTEE ON DEVELOPMENT

for the Committee on Agriculture and Rural Development

on the proposal for a regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on establishing rules on support for strategic plans to be drawn up by Member States under the Common agricultural policy (CAP Strategic Plans) and financed by the European Agricultural Guarantee Fund (EAGF) and by the European Agricultural Fund for Rural Development (EAFRD) and repealing Regulation (EU) No 1305/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council and Regulation (EU) No 1307/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council
(COM(2018)0392 – C8-0248/2018 – 2018/0216(COD))

Rapporteur for opinion: Maria Heubuch

SHORT JUSTIFICATION

The EU's obligation to respect Policy Coherence for Development is codified in Article 208 of the Lisbon Treaty, where the EU commits to take account of development objectives in all policies likely to affect developing countries and to avoid contradictions between policies. Food security and sustainable agriculture are priority areas of EU development cooperation. The relevant EU policy framework¹ (2010) underlines the importance of Policy Coherence for Development (PCD) for global food security and singles out the EU Common Agricultural Policy (CAP). While the CAP's incoherence with development objectives has diminished over the years, especially since the WTO Agreement on Agriculture obliged the EU to reduce trade distorting public support for agriculture and phase out export subsidies, problems with incoherence remain:

- Subsidies for agricultural production in the EU that trigger increased exports or imports of certain goods to or from developing countries (e.g. Voluntary Coupled Support for

¹ European Commission, Communication from the Commission to the Council and the European Parliament: An EU policy framework to assist developing countries in addressing food security challenges. COM(2010)127 final. Brussels, EC, 31 March 2010.

products considered sensitive for developing countries);

- Market support measures that trigger increased exports of certain goods to developing countries (e.g. storage support for skimmed milk powder in the EU which, due to overproduction, is exported to developing countries at extremely low prices);
- Negative climate effects or resource-intensive agricultural production (e.g. the EU livestock sector's greenhouse gas emissions aggravate climate change and contribute to a decline in harvests in tropical and subtropical regions).

This regulation defines the objectives and the instruments of the CAP, proposing a new “delivery model” that gives EU Member States a stronger responsibility shaping the CAP. There is little change in the substance, other than additional scope for reduced ambition, as Member States would set their own specific targets. The rapporteur regrets that the legislative proposal for the CAP proposal does not respond to the call of the Agenda 2030 for Sustainable Development, which demands a substantial transition to sustainable food production systems, shifting from high-input, resource-intensive farming to agroecological practices by 2030.

Analysis of the proposal showed that as the Commission is proposing significant continuity in terms of CAP content, or “business as usual”, the policy would continue to have negative external effects on development after 2021:

- The Commission's proposal is accompanied by an impact assessment with a short chapter on PCD, which fails to reassure the rapporteur that the TFEU obligation is respected: about trade it states that “currently over 90% of direct support does not distort trade”, which implicitly acknowledges that slightly under 10% of direct support is still trade distorting.
- The paragraph on the exceptional use of market support measures is very short and does not analyse the development effects. There is no mention of the possible negative climate effects of the CAP on development, even though agriculture accounts for 11% of greenhouse gas emissions.

Since the draft regulation does not reveal how the EU and its Member States will ensure PCD, nor how it will monitor the impact of the CAP on development, the rapporteur proposes amending the regulation as follows:

- A stronger commitment to PCD by introducing PCD as a specific objective and adding a “development chapter”.
- Monitoring the CAP's impacts on development by extending the monitoring framework and introducing a complaint mechanism.
- Ensuring that subsidies, including Coupled Income Support, do no harm by introducing a set of safeguards.
- Defining minimum environmental standards that beneficiaries of direct payments must follow.

- Expanding the support for leguminous crops to reduce soy imports for animal feed
- Limiting negative ecological and climate effects; improved tracking of spending on climate action.

AMENDMENTS

The Committee on 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 Citation 1

Text proposed by the Commission

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union, and in particular Article 42 and Article **43(2)** thereof,

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Amendment 2

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

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the agricultural, forestry and rural areas, and to help reducing the Union legislation-related administrative burden for beneficiaries.

social, environmental and climate sustainability of the agricultural, forestry and rural areas, ***to reduce development gaps between different areas*** and to help reducing the Union legislation-related administrative burden for beneficiaries. ***That Communication also stresses the global dimension of the CAP and states the Union's commitment to enhance Policy Coherence for Sustainable Development (PCSD).***

Amendment 3

Proposal for a regulation Recital 1 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(1a) In order to address the global dimension and implications of the CAP, the Commission should ensure coherence and continuity with other Union's external policies and instruments, in particular in the development cooperation and trade. The Union's commitment to policy coherence for development requires taking account of development objectives and principles when designing agricultural policies, especially to ensure that they are in line with the Sustainable Development Goals and the Paris Agreement.

Amendment 4

Proposal for a regulation Recital 2

Text proposed by the Commission

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local and farm levels, it is necessary to 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 5

Proposal for a regulation Recital 6

Text proposed by the Commission

(6) Synergies between the EAFRD and Horizon Europe should encourage that the EAFRD makes the best use of research and innovation results, in particular those stemming from projects funded by Horizon Europe and the European Innovation Partnership (EIP) for 'agricultural productivity and sustainability', leading to innovations in the farming sector and rural areas.

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Goals 5 (gender equality), 12 (responsible production and consumption), 13 (climate action) and 15 (life on land). Where suitable, research and innovation results should be shared with developing countries in the framework of the Union's development cooperation in order to promote sustainable development.

Amendment 6

Proposal for a regulation

Recital 11

Text proposed by the Commission

(11) In order to give substance to the objectives of the CAP as established by Article 39 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union (TFEU), as well as to ensure that the Union adequately addresses its most recent challenges, it is appropriate to provide for a set of general objectives reflecting the orientations given in the Communication on 'The Future of Food and Farming'. A set of specific objectives should be further defined at Union level and applied by the Member States in their CAP Strategic Plans. ***While striking a balance across the dimensions of sustainable development, in line with the impact assessment, these specific objectives should translate*** the general objectives of the CAP into more concrete priorities and ***take*** into account relevant Union legislation, particularly with regard to climate, energy and environment.

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Amendment 7

Proposal for a regulation

Recital 11 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(11 a) In view of the Union's role as a major exporter and importer, the CAP plays a role both in domestic but also in international agricultural markets, thus affecting the livelihoods of small-scale farmers and the resilience of rural communities and ecosystems.

Amendment 8

Proposal for a regulation Recital 11 b (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(11 b) In line with the Communication on 'The Future of Food and Farming', the CAP should take into account Articles 3 and 21 of the Treaty on European Union (TEU) and Article 208 TFEU. Ensuring Policy Coherence for Development (PCD) includes the respect of the 'do no harm' principle by avoiding creating negative externalities (e.g. through, deforestation or harmful dumping), the respect of the European Consensus on Development and its commitment to achieve the objectives set in the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development as well as the Right to Development as defined in the Declaration on the Right to Development^{1a}

^{1a} adopted by the General Assembly resolution 41/128 of 4 December 1986.

Amendment 9

Proposal for a regulation

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Recital 12

Text proposed by the Commission

(12) A smarter, modernised and more sustainable CAP needs to embrace research and innovation, in order to serve the multi-functionality of Union agriculture, forestry and food systems, investing in technological development **and** digitalisation, **as well as** improving the access to impartial, sound, relevant and new knowledge.

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(12) A smarter, modernised and more sustainable CAP needs to embrace research and innovation, in order to **produce healthier food, notably by progressively achieve pesticide free farming, reduce poverty**, serve the multi-functionality of Union agriculture, forestry and food systems, investing in technological development, digitalisation **and agro-ecological practices**, improving the access to impartial, sound, relevant and new knowledge **as well as creating opportunities for farmers to exchange information for the benefit of rural communities and the agricultural sector worldwide. A gender-perspective and women's empowerment in particular should be incorporated into the CAP and Member States should develop sub-programmes in the Strategic Plan for supporting women farmers to utilise financial instruments and to upgrade their knowledge and skills.**

Amendment 10

Proposal for a regulation

Recital 13

Text proposed by the Commission

(13) While under the CAP delivery model the Union should set the Union objectives and define the types of interventions as well as the basic Union requirements applicable to Member States, the latter should be in charge of translating that Union framework into support arrangements applicable to beneficiaries. In that context, Member States should act in line with the Charter of Fundamental Rights, general principles of Union law and ensure that the legal framework for the

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granting of Union support to beneficiaries be based on their CAP Strategic plans and be in line with the principles and requirements set out under this Regulation and the [Horizontal Regulation].

Coherence for Development in the deployment of CAP support instruments, the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and ensure that the legal framework for the granting of Union support to beneficiaries be based on their CAP Strategic plans and be in line with the principles and requirements set out under this Regulation and the [Horizontal Regulation].

Amendment 11

Proposal for a regulation Recital 14

Text proposed by the Commission

(14) In order to foster a smart and resilient agricultural sector, direct payments keep on constituting an essential part to guarantee a fair income support to farmers. Likewise, investments into farm restructuring, modernisation, innovation, diversification and uptake of new technologies are necessary to improve farmers' market reward.

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Amendment 12

Proposal for a regulation Recital 15

Text proposed by the Commission

(15) In the context of greater ***market-orientation*** of the CAP, as outlined by the Communication on 'The Future of Food and Farming', market exposure, climate change and associated frequency and severity of extreme weather events, as well

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as sanitary and phytosanitary crises, may lead to risks of price volatility and increasing pressures on incomes. Thus, although farmers are ultimately responsible for designing their on-farm strategies, a robust framework *should be set up* to ensure *appropriate* risk management. To this aim, Member States and farmers may be able to draw on a Union-level platform on risk management for capacity-building in order to provide farmers with adequate financial instruments for investments and access to working capital, training, knowledge transfer and advice.

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Amendment 13

Proposal for a regulation

Recital 16

Text proposed by the Commission

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well as youth drain, it is fundamental to strengthen the socio-economic fabric in those areas, in line with the Cork 2.0 Declaration, particularly through job creation, *including in third countries for the growing population there*, and generational renewal, by bringing the Commission's jobs and growth to rural areas, promoting social inclusion, generational renewal and the development of 'Smart Villages' across the European countryside. As indicated in the Communication on 'The Future of Food and Farming', new rural value chains such as renewable energy, the emerging bio-economy, the circular economy, and ecotourism can offer good growth and job potential for rural areas. In this context, financial instruments and the use of the InvestEU guarantee can play a crucial role for ensuring access to financing and for bolstering the growth capacity of farms and enterprises. There is a potential for employment opportunities in rural areas for legally staying third country nationals, promoting their social and economic integration especially in the framework of Community-led Local Development strategies.

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Amendment 14

Proposal for a regulation

Recital 17

Text proposed by the Commission

(17) The CAP should keep ensuring food security, which should be understood as meaning access to sufficient, safe and nutritious food at all times. Moreover, it should help improving the response of Union agriculture to new societal demands on food and health, including sustainable agricultural production, healthier nutrition, food waste and animal welfare. The CAP should continue to promote production with specific and valuable characteristics, while at the same time helping farmers to proactively adjust their production according to market signals and consumers' demands.

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requirements and protect livelihoods in rural communities around the world. Without prejudice to its character as an internal Union policy, the CAP's factual integration in the world economy should be considered with regard to both, opportunities and responsibility that arise from it for the Union and its global partners. With regard to developing countries, Policy Coherence for Development (PCD) should be the guideline for the Union and its Member States.

Amendment 15

Proposal for a regulation Recital 17 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(17 a) In reaffirming their commitment to the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) of the 2030 Agenda and the Paris Agreement, the Union and its Member States should transition to a new European food and agriculture system in line with the transformative nature of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and the Paris Agreement, based on the conclusions of the International Assessment of Agricultural Knowledge, Science and Technology for Development and the recommendations of the UN Special Rapporteur on the right to food. This should therefore include promoting diversified and sustainable agriculture and resilient agricultural practices, which help to protect and enhance natural resources, reinforce ecosystems and their capacity to adapt to and mitigate climate change. Therefore, measures taken under this regulation should not jeopardise the food production and processing capacity and long-term food security of developing countries, notably Least Developed Countries

(LDCs).

Amendment 16

Proposal for a regulation

Recital 17 b (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(17 b) The Union should help to ensure global food security by minimising the dependence of developing countries on food imports, strengthening their resilience to external shocks linked for example, to price volatility of agricultural commodities or natural disasters. To this end, the new CAP should contribute to harnessing the potential of small farmers and small agricultural enterprises in developing countries, with the aim of increasing and diversifying their food production so as to respond to domestic and regional markets.

Amendment 17

Proposal for a regulation

Recital 20 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(20a) With a view to achieving the UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), in particular Goal 1 (No poverty) and Goal 2 (Zero hunger), as well as guaranteeing policy coherence for development in accordance with Article 208 TFEU and meeting the requirements of the European Consensus on Development, the CAP should support sustainable family farms in developing countries, in order to guarantee local food security and counter rural population flight. For that reason, EU agricultural products should not be exported at prices

that fail to cover production costs.

Amendment 18

Proposal for a regulation

Recital 21

Text proposed by the Commission

(21) Building on the previous system of cross-compliance implemented until 2020, the system of new conditionality links full receipt of CAP support to the compliance by beneficiaries of basic standards concerning the environment, climate change, public health, animal health, plant health and animal welfare. The basic standards encompass in a streamlined form a list of statutory management requirements (SMRs) and standards of good agricultural and environmental conditions of land (GAECs). These basic standards should better take into account the environmental and climate challenges and the new environmental architecture of the CAP, thus delivering a higher level of environmental and climate ambition as the Commission announced in its Communications on the ‘Future of Food and Farming’ and the Multiannual Financial Framework (MFF). Conditionality aims to contribute to the development of sustainable agriculture through better awareness on the part of beneficiaries of the need to respect those basic standards. It also aims to make the CAP more compatible with the expectations of society through improving consistency of the policy with the environment, public health, animal health, plant health and animal welfare objectives. Conditionality should form an integral part of the environmental architecture of the CAP, as part of the baseline for more ambitious environmental and climate commitments, and should be comprehensively applied across the Union.

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Amendment 19

Proposal for a regulation Recital 24

Text proposed by the Commission

(24) Member States should set farm advisory services for the purpose of improving the sustainable management and overall performance of agricultural holdings and rural businesses, covering economic, environmental and social dimensions, and to identify the necessary improvements as regards all measures at farm level provided for in the CAP Strategic Plans. These farm advisory services should help farmers and other beneficiaries of CAP support to become more aware of the relationship between farm management and land management on the one hand, and certain standards, requirements and information, including environmental and climate ones, on the other hand. The list of the latter includes standards applying to or necessary for farmers and other CAP beneficiaries and set in the CAP Strategic Plan, as well as those stemming from the legislation on water, on the sustainable use of pesticides, as well as the initiatives to combat antimicrobial resistance and the management of risks. In order to enhance the quality and effectiveness of the advice, Member States should integrate advisors within the Agricultural Knowledge and Innovation Systems (AKIS), in order to be able to deliver up-to-date technological and

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scientific information developed by research and innovation.

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Justification

Neither is every farmer directly involved in international trade nor might he be aware of interlinkages of international trade or global impacts on the environment and the climate. Farm advisory services provide a possibility to raise awareness and further integrate the private sector in common EU efforts to tackle challenges on the international level.

Amendment 20

Proposal for a regulation

Recital 31

Text proposed by the Commission

(31) The CAP should ensure that Member States increase the environmental delivery by respecting local needs and farmers' actual circumstances. Member States should under direct payments in the CAP Strategic Plan set up Eco-schemes voluntary for farmers, which should be fully coordinated with the other relevant interventions. They should be defined by the Member States as a payment granted either for incentivising and remunerating the provision of public goods by agricultural practices beneficial to the environment and climate or as a compensation for the introduction of these practices. In both cases they should aim at enhancing the environmental and climate performance of the CAP and should consequently be conceived to go beyond the mandatory requirements already prescribed by the system of conditionality. Member States may decide to set up eco-schemes **for** agricultural practices such as the enhanced management of permanent pastures and landscape features, and organic farming. These schemes may also include 'entry-level schemes' which may

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Amendment 21

Proposal for a regulation Recital 32

Text proposed by the Commission

(32) Member States should be allowed to use part of their financial ceiling available for direct payments for coupled income support in order to improve competitiveness, sustainability, and/or quality in certain sectors and productions that are particularly important for social, economic or environmental reasons and undergo certain difficulties. Furthermore, Member States should also be allowed to use an additional part of their financial ceiling available for direct payments to grant coupled income support specifically for the support of protein crop production in order to reduce the Union's deficit in this regard.

Amendment

(32) Member States should be allowed to use part of their financial ceiling available for direct payments for coupled income support in order to improve competitiveness, sustainability, and/or quality in certain sectors and productions that are particularly important for social, economic or environmental reasons and undergo certain difficulties. ***Coupled income support should respond to clear environmental or socioeconomic need or benefit or should be granted for production methods that go beyond the standards set out in the cross-compliance system. Member States should clearly explain in their strategic plan why the granting of coupled aid would add value to efforts to pursue economic, social or environmental objectives and why similar objectives cannot be achieved by rural development measures. In line with 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and the Paris Agreement, coupled income support should not have negative effects on developing countries and should not create distortions of the internal and international market.*** Furthermore, Member States should also be allowed to use an additional part of their financial ceiling available for direct payments to grant coupled income support specifically for the support of protein crop production in order to reduce the Union's deficit in this

regard, thus reducing its dependence on imported animal feed, particularly soy and oil palm products which drive deforestation, land grabbing, biodiversity loss and displacement of communities. If protein crops are imported from third countries, they should be certified by the Union as having been produced sustainably. Payments granted for the support of leguminous crop production should be in consistency with the suggestions that the European Commission made in its Report to the Council and the European Parliament on the development of plant proteins in the European Union. Responsible import of plant proteins to the Union should be promoted by the introduction of a comprehensive action plan as part of a Union-wide leguminous strategy aimed at decreasing import dependency on soy and animal feed from third countries.

Amendment 22

Proposal for a regulation Recital 32 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(32a) Taking into account the on-going development of digitalisation in agricultural sector, Member States should be able to develop sub-programme to upgrade digital skills in rural areas and may take further measures to minimize the digital gender gap by facilitating women's access to life-long learning, vocational and professional training in rural areas.

Amendment 23

Proposal for a regulation Recital 33

Text proposed by the Commission

(33) Compliance of coupled income support with the Union's international commitments should be ensured. This includes in particular the requirements of the Memorandum of Understanding between the European Economic Community and the United States of America on oilseeds within the framework of the GATT,¹⁷ as applicable subsequent to changes to the EU separate base area for oilseeds following changes to the composition of the EU. The Commission should have the power to adopt implementing acts for this purpose of laying down detailed rules in this respect.

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(33) Compliance of coupled income support with the Union's international commitments ***and the general provisions on its external action*** should be ensured. This includes in particular the requirements of the Memorandum of Understanding between the European Economic Community and the United States of America on oilseeds within the framework of the GATT,¹⁷ as applicable subsequent to changes to the EU separate base area for oilseeds following changes to the composition of the EU. The Commission should have the power to adopt implementing acts for this purpose of laying down detailed rules in this respect.

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Amendment 24

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 33 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(33 a) In order to ensure that interventions are in compliance with the Unions commitment to PCD, an ongoing and comprehensive monitoring should be provided for. The assessment of the CAP's external effects should be carried out systematically i.e. with the help of SDG indicators. On this base, the Commission should be empowered to adopt delegated acts with rules defining adequate measures governing the monitoring. In this context, the Commission should expand the mandate of the EU market observatories to monitor the global

dimension of the CAP, especially imports and exports to and from Least Developed Countries. Particular attention should be paid to products deemed sensitive by partner countries and to products derived from those sectors where CAP coupled payments are granted and where CAP crisis management measures are deployed. When the early warning system signals breaches of the PCD obligation, it should initiate dialogues with developing country partners to propose appropriate measures to address the issues of concern.

Amendment 25

Proposal for a regulation Recital 34 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(34 a) In order to ensure the compliance of coupled income support in the cotton sector with the Union's international obligations regarding Policy Coherence for Development, Member States deploying such support should monitor its production and trade consequences and report to the Commission, with a view to facilitating the Commission's monitoring of the impact of cotton coupled support on cotton production in partner developing countries, notably on food security.

Amendment 26

Proposal for a regulation Recital 36 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(36 a) A scheme for leguminous crops sector should be introduced, with three aims. Firstly, decreasing dependency on concentrated feed mix containing soya, especially imported soya originating from

land that has recently been deforested or converted, in line with the SDG 15, the Union's pledge on zero deforestation and existing private company commitments on zero deforestation. Secondly, closing nutrient cycling loops and tightening them to local and regional river basin scales in line with the Water Framework Directive. Thirdly, boosting local and regional markets in food and animal feed and locally adapted low input seed varieties. Monocultural or continuous cropping of leguminous crops should not be supported by these payments.

Amendment 27

Proposal for a regulation Recital 41

Text proposed by the Commission

(41) The objectives of the CAP should also be pursued through support for investments, productive as well as non-productive, on farm as well as off-farm. Such investments may concern, inter alia, infrastructures related to the development, modernisation or adaptation to climate change of agriculture and forestry, including access to farm and forest land, land consolidation and improvement, agro-forestry practices and the supply and saving of energy and water. In order to better ensure the consistency of the CAP Strategic Plans with Union objectives, as well as a level playing field between Member States, a negative list of investment topics is included in this Regulation.

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developing countries.

Justification

By providing guidance and guarantees that help to cover potential risks, the EU and its Member States can effectively offer farmers incentives to responsibly invest in developing countries. Farmers should be given the opportunity to balance out potential negative aspects of CAP support by such investments.

Amendment 28

Proposal for a regulation

Recital 46

Text proposed by the Commission

(46) The Communication on ‘The Future of Food and Farming’ mentions the exchange of knowledge and focus on innovation as a cross cutting objective for the new CAP. The CAP should continue to support the interactive innovation model, which enhances the collaboration between actors to make best use of complementary types of knowledge with a view to spreading practical solutions. Farm advisory services should be strengthened within the AKIS. The CAP Strategic Plan should provide information on how advisory services, research and rural networks will work together. Each Member State or region, as appropriate, can fund a number of actions aimed at knowledge exchange and innovation, using the types of interventions developed in this Regulation.

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Amendment 29

Proposal for a regulation

Recital 51

Text proposed by the Commission

(51) For the purpose of ensuring adequate financing for certain priorities, rules on minimum financial allocations for these priorities should be set for the support under EAFRD. For the sake of ensuring a level playing field between farmers, a maximum allocation should also be set for the coupled support under direct payments. Furthermore, Member States should also be allowed to use an additional part of their financial ceiling available for direct payments to grant coupled income support specifically for improving the competitiveness, sustainability, and/or quality of the protein crop production.

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(51) For the purpose of ensuring adequate financing for certain priorities, rules on minimum financial allocations for these priorities should be set for the support under EAFRD. For the sake of ensuring a level playing field between farmers, ***both inside and outside the Union***, a maximum allocation should also be set for the coupled support under direct payments. Furthermore, Member States should also be allowed to use an additional part of their financial ceiling available for direct payments to grant coupled income support specifically for improving the competitiveness, sustainability, and/or quality of the protein crop production, ***in order to reduce imports from third countries***.

Amendment 30

Proposal for a regulation Recital 55

Text proposed by the Commission

(55) In order to ensure a clear strategic nature of these CAP Strategic Plans, and to facilitate the links with other Union policies, and notably with established long-term national targets deriving from Union legislation or international agreements such as those related to climate change, forests, biodiversity, ***and water***, it is appropriate that there should be one single CAP Strategic Plan per Member State.

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Amendment 31

Proposal for a regulation Recital 57

Text proposed by the Commission

(57) In order to ensure that the setting of targets by Member States and that the design of interventions is appropriate and maximises the contribution to the objectives of the CAP, it is necessary to base the strategy of the CAP Strategic Plans on a prior analysis of the local contexts and an assessment of needs in relation to the objectives of the CAP.

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Amendment 32

Proposal for a regulation

Recital 58

Text proposed by the Commission

(58) The CAP Strategic Plans should aim to ensure enhanced coherence across the multiple tools of the CAP, since it should cover types of interventions in the form of direct payments, sectoral types of interventions and types of interventions for rural development. They should also ensure and demonstrate the alignment and appropriateness of the choices made by Member States to the Union priorities and objectives. It is therefore appropriate that they contain a result-oriented intervention strategy structured around the specific objectives of the CAP, including quantified targets in relation to these objectives. In order to allow their monitoring on an annual basis, it is appropriate that these targets are based on result indicators.

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Amendment 33

Proposal for a regulation Recital 59

Text proposed by the Commission

(59) The strategy should also highlight complementarity both between CAP tools and with the other Union policies. In particular, each CAP Strategic Plan should take account of environmental and climate legislation where appropriate, and national plans emanating from this legislation should be described as part of the analysis of the current situation ('SWOT analysis'). It is appropriate to list the legislative instruments which should specifically be referred to in the CAP Strategic Plan.

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Amendment 34

Proposal for a regulation Recital 70

Text proposed by the Commission

(70) In accordance with the principle of shared management, the Commission is assisted by committees formed by Member States representatives in the implementation of the CAP. With a view to simplifying the system and streamlining the position of Member States, only one Monitoring Committee is established for the implementation of this Regulation, merging the 'Rural Development' Committee and the 'Direct Payments' Committee, which were established under the 2014-2020 programming period. The responsibility to assist Member States in the implementation of the CAP Strategic Plans is shared between the Managing Authority and this Monitoring Committee. The Commission should also be assisted by

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the ‘Common Agricultural Policy’ Committee, ***and should report to the Committee on Development of the European Parliament*** in accordance with the provisions laid down by this Regulation.

Amendment 35

Proposal for a regulation Recital 72

Text proposed by the Commission

(72) In a context where Member States will have much more flexibility and subsidiarity on the design of interventions, networks are a key tool to drive and steer policy and to ensure sufficient attention and capacity in the Member States. A single network should ensure better coordination between networking activities at the Union and at the national and regional levels. The European and national CAP network replace the current European Network for Rural Development and EIP for ‘agricultural productivity and sustainability’ networks and the National Rural Networks, in the form of a platform providing for more exchange of knowledge in order to capture the results and added value of the policy at European level, particularly the Horizon Europe policy. In the same perspective of improvement of the exchange of knowledge and innovation, an EIP for ‘agricultural productivity and sustainability’ is set up, implementing the interactive innovation model in accordance with the methodology outlined in this Regulation.

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Amendment 36

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 74

Text proposed by the Commission

(74) The result-orientation triggered by the delivery model requires a strong performance framework, particularly since CAP Strategic Plans would contribute to broad general objectives for other shared managed policies. A performance-based policy implies annual and multi-annual assessment on the basis of selected outputs, result and impact indicators, as defined in the performance monitoring and evaluation framework. To this end, a limited and targeted set of indicators should be selected in a way which reflects as closely as possible whether the supported intervention contributes to achieving the envisaged objectives. Result and output indicators relating to climate- and environment-related objectives may include interventions set out in national environmental and climate-planning instruments emanating from Union legislation.

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Amendment 37

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 75

Text proposed by the Commission

(75) As part of the performance, monitor and evaluation framework, Member States should monitor and report annually to the Commission on the progress made. The information provided by the Member States are the basis on which the Commission should report on the progress

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Amendment 38

Proposal for a regulation Recital 75 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(75a) The CAP Monitoring system should be complemented by an independent system within the Union for receiving complaints by persons or communities affected by the CAP. The important role of the Parliament's Committee on Development and its standing Rapporteur on PCD should be recognised.

Amendment 39

Proposal for a regulation Article 3 – paragraph 1 – point i a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(i a) ‘policy coherence for development’ means the obligation for the Union to take into account the objectives of development cooperation in the policies that it implements, and, in pursuing its domestic policy objectives, its obligation to avoid negative policy measures which adversely affect the Union's development objectives;

Amendment 40

Proposal for a regulation

Article 3 – paragraph 1 – point j a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(j a) ‘food security’ means the right of people to healthy and culturally appropriate food produced through ecologically sound and sustainable methods, and the people’s right to define its own food and agricultural systems.

Amendment 41

Proposal for a regulation

Article 5 – paragraph 1 – point a

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(a) to foster a **smart**, resilient and diversified agricultural **sector** ensuring food security;

(a) to foster a **long-lasting, inclusive** resilient, **sustainable** and diversified agricultural **production** ensuring **sustainable, decentralised, long term** food security, **avoiding overproduction and ensuring Policy Coherence for Development**;

Amendment 42

Proposal for a regulation

Article 5 – paragraph 1 – point b

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

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

(b) to bolster environmental care, **biodiversity** and climate action and to **meet all** environmental- and climate-related objectives of the Union **relevant to agriculture**;

Amendment 43

Proposal for a regulation

Article 5 – paragraph 1 – point c

Text proposed by the Commission

(c) to **strengthen** the socio-economic fabric of rural areas.

Amendment

(c) to **achieve a balanced territorial development of rural economies and communities, strengthening** the socio-economic fabric of rural areas.

Amendment 44

Proposal for a regulation

Article 5 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

Those objectives shall be **complemented by** the cross-cutting **objective of modernising the sector by** fostering and sharing of knowledge, **innovation and digitalisation** in agriculture and rural areas, and encouraging their uptake.

Amendment

Those objectives shall be **implemented in a manner that will ensure the achievement of** the cross-cutting **objectives of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and the obligations under the Paris Agreement. Where conducive to these goals, the regulation aims at the** fostering and sharing of knowledge, **techniques and tools** in agriculture and rural areas, encouraging their uptake, **and ensuring the transition to sustainable development referred to in Article 11 TFEU.**

Amendment 45

Proposal for a regulation

Article 6 – paragraph 1 – point a

Text proposed by the Commission

(a) support viable farm income and resilience across the Union to **enhance** food security;

Amendment

(a) support viable farm income and resilience across the Union to **ensure long term** food security, **while avoiding harmful dumping practices;**

Amendment 46

Proposal for a regulation

Article 6 – paragraph 1 – point b

Text proposed by the Commission

(b) enhance market orientation and increase competitiveness, including greater focus on research, technology and digitalisation;

Amendment

(b) enhance market orientation **by promoting short supply chains and added value products such as those derived from organic farming** and increase competitiveness, including greater focus on **peer to peer learning**, research, technology and digitalisation;

Amendment 47

Proposal for a regulation

Article 6 – paragraph 1 – point d

Text proposed by the Commission

(d) contribute to climate change mitigation and adaptation, **as well as sustainable energy**;

Amendment

(d) contribute to climate change mitigation and adaptation **by significantly reducing GHG emissions from agriculture in line with the Paris Agreement and Union's climate targets**;

Amendment 48

Proposal for a regulation

Article 6 – paragraph 1 – point h

Text proposed by the Commission

(h) promote employment, growth, social inclusion **and** local development in rural areas, including **bio-economy and sustainable forestry**;

Amendment

(h) promote employment, **inclusive and sustainable growth, diversification of activities and income, gender equality, social inclusion, the fight against poverty,** local development in rural areas, including sustainable forestry, **and improve basic public services, and promote social and territorial cohesion**;

Amendment 49

Proposal for a regulation

Article 6 – paragraph 1 – point i

Text proposed by the Commission

(i) improve the response of EU agriculture to societal demands on food and health, including safe, nutritious and sustainable food, food waste, as well as animal welfare.

Amendment

(i) improve the response of EU agriculture to societal demands on food and health, including safe, nutritious, **high quality** and sustainable food, food waste, as well as **environmental sustainability and improving** animal welfare **while contributing to the implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development**.

Amendment 50

Proposal for a regulation

Article 6 – paragraph 1 – point i a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(i a) Policy Coherence for Development (PCD): systematically take into account the objectives of development cooperation and avoid negative external impacts of the Union's policies on developing countries and their populations.

Amendment 51

Proposal for a regulation

Article 6 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

Article 6a

Union and Member States targets

1. In line with the objectives set out in articles 5 and 6 of the regulation, the combined CAP Strategic Plans shall lead to:

- (a) a net increase of the numbers or farmers, agricultural workers and associated jobs in rural areas;*
- (b) a significant decrease of Greenhouse Gases emissions linked to the Agricultural Sector by 2027.*
- (c) halting and reversing the loss of biodiversity*
- (d) halting and reversing the spread of antimicrobial resistance*
- (e) halting and reversing the loss of pollinators, birds and insects*
- (f) increasing the genetic diversity both within and between crops and animals*
- (g) reducing exports of living animals*
- (h) reducing air and water pollution due to the agricultural sector*
- (i) maintaining and increasing the surface of permanent grassland*
- (j) reducing the use of pesticides, in line with Directive 2009/128/EC*

2. In their draft Strategic Plans, Members States shall indicate how they intend to contribute to these targets and propose precise national targets.

3. In line with the procedure outlined in Chapter III of title V, the Commission shall make sure that the combination of national targets will allow the achievement of the Union target set out in paragraph 1, that the interventions planned by Members States are sufficient to reach their national targets. In order to ensure a level-playing field, the Commission shall ensure that Member States have adopted similar national targets.

Justification

Defining Union-wide minimum targets is necessary to ensure that the general objectives of this Regulation are met.

Amendment 52

Proposal for a regulation Article 9 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

Article 9 a

Policy Coherence for Development

- 1. Member States shall ensure that interventions are in compliance with the Union's commitment to Policy Coherence for Development (PCD), the Right to Development and the Right to Food.***
- 2. Member States' interventions shall contribute to achieving the goals set out in the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, notably SDG 2, SDG 10, SDG 12, and SDG 13. Therefore the CAP shall***
 - (i) contribute to developing diversified and sustainable agriculture and resilient agro-ecological practices both in the Union and in partner countries;***
 - (ii) contribute to maintaining the genetic diversity of seeds, cultivated plants, farmed and domesticated animals and their related wild species, in the Union and in partner countries;***
 - (iii) contribute to harnessing the potential of small-scale farmers, small agricultural enterprises, in particular women farmers, indigenous peoples active in agricultural production and pastoralists, both in the Union and in partner countries;***
 - (iv) contribute to the development of local food systems and domestic and regional markets both in the Union and in partner countries, with the aim of minimising food import dependency and shortening food chains;***

- (v) end trade practices that distort global trade on agricultural markets;*
- (vi) fully integrate climate change mitigation and adaptation measures;*
- (vii) respect the Paris Agreement on climate change; agriculture trade related rules shall not hinder sustainable use of resources or multilateral climate targets.*

3. Member States and the Commission shall monitor the CAP implementation and ensure that CAP strategic plans avoid a negative impact on local agricultural markets and local producers in developing countries. Provisions for monitoring are set out in Art 119a.

Amendment 53

Proposal for a regulation Article 9 b (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

Article 9 b

Compliance with the Paris Agreement

- 1. The objectives of the CAP Strategic Plans shall be pursued in line with the Paris Agreement, and with a view to achieve the global objectives set out in the Agreement and the commitments described in the Union and Member States Nationally Determined Contributions.*
- 2. Member States shall ensure that their Strategic plans are in line with already established long-term national targets set out in or deriving from the legislative instruments referred to in Annex XI and with the objectives set out in paragraph 2.*
- 3. The Commission shall make sure, before approving Strategic Plans, that they will respect the objectives set out in*

this Article.

Justification

Member states shall develop tools to condition EU funds to standards that goes over solely environmental concerns. Addressing production patterns (which may in term also have an impact on consumption pattern) is a necessity to ensure that the Union as a whole does not institutionalise overproduction (as it is the case so far).

Amendment 54

**Proposal for a regulation
Article 13 – paragraph 2**

Text proposed by the Commission

2. The farm advisory services shall cover economic, environmental and social dimensions and deliver up to date technological and scientific information developed by research and innovation. They shall be integrated within the interrelated services of farm advisors, researchers, farmer organisations and other relevant stakeholders that form the Agricultural Knowledge and Innovation Systems (AKIS).

Amendment

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Amendment 55

**Proposal for a regulation
Article 13 – paragraph 4 – point f a (new)**

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(f a) sustainable farming practices, which help maintaining ecosystems, that strengthen capacity for adaptation to climate change and that progressively improve land and soil quality, in line with SDG2 targets.

Justification

Providing training to farmers and beneficiaries of CAP funds on the way to implement SDG2 targets enters within the framework of the Union's commitment to address climate issues and 2030 Agenda.

Amendment 56

Proposal for a regulation

Article 13 – paragraph 4 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

4a. Advisors shall be trained to impart better understanding of the CAP's global impact.

Amendment 57

Proposal for a regulation

Article 14 – paragraph 7 – point a

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(a) the coupled income support;

(a) the coupled income support, **within the scope of WTO requirements for the elimination of trade distorting support;**

Amendment 58

Proposal for a regulation

Article 28 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

1. Member States shall **provide** support for **voluntary** schemes for the climate and the environment ('eco-schemes') under the conditions set out in this Article and as further specified in their CAP Strategic Plans.

1. Member States shall **gradually increase** support for schemes for the climate and the environment ('eco-schemes') under the conditions set out in this Article and as further specified in their CAP Strategic Plans.

Amendment 59

Proposal for a regulation
Article 28 – paragraph 3 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

3a. When drafting their CAP Strategic Plans Member States shall prioritise farming systems which deliver multiple benefits in an effective way for the achievement of objectives of Article 6.1, such as the enhanced management of permanent pastures, landscape features, and organic farming.

Justification

The scope for measures to be supported under eco-schemes needs to be better defined. Member States should have flexibility to choose practices that are well adapted to their territory but give priority to support farming systems comprised of multiple farming practices in order to maximise the effect of eco-schemes on the climate and the environment. In addition, by supporting existing certification systems, Member States can ensure that the administration of eco-schemes is simpler.

Amendment 60

Proposal for a regulation
Article 29 – paragraph 3 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

3a. When a Member State proposes voluntary coupled support in their strategic plan as envisaged in Article 106, the Commission shall ensure that:

(a) the aid meets the do no harm principle;

(b) there is a clear environmental or social need or benefit, justified with empirical quantifiable and independently verifiable evidence;

(c) the support is used to satisfy the Union's food security needs and does not create distortions of the internal or international markets;

(d) the granting of the support coupled income support does not lead to

trade outcomes which adversely impact on agro-food sector investment, production and processing development in partner developing countries;

(e) voluntary coupled support is not be granted for markets that are in crisis due to overproduction or oversupply;

Amendment 61

Proposal for a regulation

Article 29 – paragraph 3 b (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

3b. Where necessary, the Commission shall be empowered to adopt delegated acts in accordance with Article 138, supplementing this Regulation with measures to be adopted by Member States when deploying coupled income support, so as to eliminate the adverse effects on developing countries.

Amendment 62

Proposal for a regulation

Article 30 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

Coupled income support may only be granted to the following sectors and productions or specific types of farming therein where these are important for economic, social or environmental reasons: cereals, oilseeds, protein crops, grain legumes, flax, hemp, rice, nuts, **starch potato, milk and milk products**, seeds, sheepmeat and goatmeat, **beef and veal**, olive oil, silkworms, dried fodder, hops, **sugar beet, cane and chicory**, fruit and vegetables, short rotation coppice **and other non-food crops, excluding trees**,

Coupled income support may only be granted to the following sectors and productions or specific types of farming therein **including organic farming, that go beyond the standards set out in the cross-compliance system, or** where these are important for economic, social or environmental reasons: cereals, oilseeds, protein crops, grain legumes, **forage legumes**, flax, hemp, rice, nuts, seeds, sheepmeat and goatmeat, olive oil, silkworms, dried fodder, hops, chicory, fruit and vegetables **and** short rotation

used for the production of products that have the potential to substitute fossil materials.

coppice.

Amendment 63

Proposal for a regulation Article 58 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

Article 58a

The leguminous crop sector

Objectives of the leguminous crops sector

Member States shall pursue the following objectives in the leguminous crops sector:

- (a) The scheme shall increase sustainable legume production and consumption across the Union, to increase self-sufficiency according to the targets set in Annex I;***
- (b) Arable leguminous crops supported by the Union's financial assistance shall be part of a crop rotation of at least three years, or of a mix of species in temporary grassland on arable land. This rotation shall be compatible with schemes for the climate and environment ("eco-schemes") in Article 28, under which rotations of four years and more can be rewarded. The scheme may also reward under-cropping or intercropping which is not otherwise rewarded under other measures;***
- (c) Pasture based grazing of high species diversity pasture or mowing of high species diversity meadow for fodder on permanent pasture that contains leguminous species in the sward may also be subsidised, on the condition that re-ploughing and re-seeding does not occur;***
- (d) The measures referred to in this Article shall be coherent with the Union's climatic and environmental commitments***

and legislation, and not cause direct or indirect land use change, having a genuinely positive impact on global greenhouse gas emissions according to the Global Biosphere Management Model [GLOBIOM].

(e) Monocultural or continuous cropping of leguminous crops shall not be supported by these payments.

(f) Decreasing dependency on concentrated feed mix containing soya, especially imported soya originating from land that has recently been deforested or converted, in line with the SDG 15, the EU pledge on zero deforestation and existing private company commitments on zero deforestation.

(g) Closing nutrient cycling loops and tightening them to local and regional river basin scales in line with the Water Framework Directive.

(h) Boosting local and regional markets in food and animal feed and locally adapted low input seed varieties.

Amendment 64

Proposal for a regulation

Article 68 – paragraph 3 – subparagraph 1 – point h a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(h a) investments in bioenergy production that do not comply with the sustainability criteria set out in the Renewable Energy Directive, including the limitation of certain types of commodities.

Amendment 65

Proposal for a regulation

Article 70 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

1. Member States shall grant support for risk management tools under the conditions set out in this Article and as further specified in their CAP Strategic Plans.

Amendment

1. Member States shall grant support for risk management tools under the conditions set out in this Article and as further specified in their CAP Strategic Plans, ***while taking into account the possible adverse impact on agro-food sector investment, production and processing development in partner developing countries.***

Amendment 66

Proposal for a regulation

Article 86 – paragraph 5 – subparagraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

The indicative financial allocations for the coupled income support interventions referred to in Subsection 1 of Section 2 of Chapter II of Title III, shall be limited to a maximum of **10%** of the amounts set out in Annex VII.

Amendment

The indicative financial allocations for the coupled income support interventions referred to in Subsection 1 of Section 2 of Chapter II of Title III, shall be limited to a maximum of **5%** of the amounts set out in Annex VII.

Amendment 67

Proposal for a regulation

Article 87 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

1. On the basis of the information provided by Member States the Commission shall evaluate the contribution of the policy to the climate change objectives using a simple and common methodology.

Amendment

1. On the basis of the information provided by Member States the Commission shall evaluate the contribution of the policy to the climate change objectives using a simple, ***accurate*** and common methodology.

Amendment 68

Proposal for a regulation

Article 87 – paragraph 1 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

1 a. Independent scientific studies shall be carried out to determine the contribution to GHG emissions reduction or GHG sequestration of the different activities implemented by Member States.

Amendment 69

Proposal for a regulation Article 87 – paragraph 1 b (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

1 b. Based on these studies, the Commission shall propose a tracking methodology, making sure that:

(a) only expenditures allocated to activities that contribute significantly to emission reduction and sequestration, are counted as climate expenditure;

(b) the percentage of each expenditure that is considered as climate expenditure is proportional to the actual positive impact of the activity on GHG emissions or sequestration;

(c) the expenditures allocated to activities that have a negative impact on GHG emissions and sequestration are deducted from the total climate expenditure, using a similar methodology.

Justification

In its report concerning Commission proposals on CAP, the European Court of Auditors has called the estimated CAP contribution towards climate change objectives “unrealistic”. This contribution must be calculated intervention by intervention, based on the actual impact of the activities, measured by peer-reviewed scientific studies.

Amendment 70

Proposal for a regulation

Article 94 – paragraph 2 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

2 a. *The body of the Member State responsible for drawing up the CAP Strategic Plan shall ensure that the competent authorities for the development cooperation are effectively involved in drawing up and monitoring the implementation of the CAP Strategic Plan in order to streamline it with the development cooperation policy of the Member State and the Union.*

Amendment 71

Proposal for a regulation

Article 94 – paragraph 3 – subparagraph 1 – point b

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(b) economic and social partners;

(b) economic, ***environmental*** and social partners;

Amendment 72

Proposal for a regulation

Article 94 – paragraph 3 – subparagraph 1 – point c

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(c) relevant bodies representing civil society and where relevant bodies responsible for promoting social inclusion, fundamental rights, gender equality and non-discrimination.

(c) relevant bodies representing ***the interests of*** civil society, ***such as NGOs,*** and where relevant bodies responsible for promoting social inclusion, fundamental rights, gender equality and non-discrimination.

Amendment 73

Proposal for a regulation

Article 94 – paragraph 3 – subparagraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

Member States shall involve those partners in the preparation of the CAP Strategic Plans.

Amendment

Member States shall involve those partners in the preparation of the CAP Strategic Plans. ***Partners from third countries shall be invited to participate in the preparation of the CAP Strategic Plans.***

Amendment 74

Proposal for a regulation

Article 96 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

For the specific environmental and climate objectives referred to in points (d), (e), and (f) of Article 6(1), the assessment shall take into account the national environmental and climate plans emanating from the legislative instruments referred to in Annex XI.

Amendment

For the specific environmental and climate objectives referred to in points (d), (e), and (f) of Article 6(1), the assessment shall take into account the national environmental and climate plans emanating from the legislative instruments referred to in Annex XI, ***the objectives of the Paris Agreement and the objective to reduce EU Greenhouse gases emissions linked to Agriculture significantly by 2027.***

Amendment 75

Proposal for a regulation

Article 97 – paragraph 2 – point b

Text proposed by the Commission

(b) an explanation of how the environment and climate architecture of the CAP Strategic Plan is meant to contribute to already established long-term national targets set out in or deriving from the legislative instruments referred to in Annex XI;

Amendment

(b) an explanation of how the environment and climate architecture of the CAP Strategic Plan is meant to contribute to already established long-term national targets set out in or deriving from the legislative instruments referred to in Annex XI, ***the objectives of the Paris Agreement and the objective to reduce EU Greenhouse gases emissions linked to Agriculture significantly by 2027;***

Amendment 76

Proposal for a regulation

Article 102 – paragraph 1 – point a – point ii

Text proposed by the Commission

(ii) a description of how advisory services as referred to in Article 13, research and CAP networks will work together within the framework of the AKIS, **and** how advice and innovation support services are provided;

Amendment

(ii) a description of how advisory services as referred to in Article 13, research and CAP networks will work together within the framework of the AKIS, how advice and innovation support services are provided **and how experts in the field of development cooperation shall be enabled to have an ongoing exchange with AKIS**;

Amendment 77

Proposal for a regulation

Article 106 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

2. The Commission shall assess the proposed CAP Strategic Plans on the basis of the completeness of the plans, the consistency and coherence with the general principles of Union law, with this Regulation and the provisions adopted pursuant to it and with the Horizontal Regulation, their effective contribution to the specific objectives set out in Article 6(1), the impact on the proper functioning of the internal market and distortion of competition, the level of administrative burden on beneficiaries and administration. The assessment shall address, in particular, the adequacy of the strategy of the CAP Strategic Plan, the corresponding specific objectives, targets, interventions and the allocation of budgetary resources to meet the specific CAP Strategic Plan objectives through the proposed set of interventions on the basis of the SWOT analysis and the ex-ante evaluation.

Amendment

2. The Commission shall assess the proposed CAP Strategic Plans on the basis of the completeness of the plans, the consistency and coherence with the general principles of Union law, **including Article 208 TFEU**, with this Regulation and the provisions adopted pursuant to it and with the Horizontal Regulation, their effective contribution to the specific objectives set out in Article 6(1), the impact on the proper functioning of the internal market and distortion of competition, **the compliance with already established long-term national targets set out in or deriving from the legislative instruments referred to in Annex XI of this Regulation**, the level of administrative burden on beneficiaries and administration **and how the contributions of the competent authorities and other stakeholders are taken into account in accordance with Article 94**. The assessment shall address, in particular, the adequacy of the strategy of

the CAP Strategic Plan, the corresponding specific objectives, targets, interventions and the allocation of budgetary resources to meet the specific CAP Strategic Plan objectives through the proposed set of interventions on the basis of the SWOT analysis and the ex-ante evaluation.

Justification

Article 208 of the TFEU obliges the EU to “take account of the objectives of development cooperation in the policies that it implements that are likely affect developing countries.”

Amendment 78

Proposal for a regulation

Article 111 – paragraph 2 – subparagraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

The Member State shall decide the composition of the Monitoring Committee and shall ensure a balanced representation of the relevant public authorities and intermediate bodies and of representatives of the partners referred to in Article 94(3).

Amendment

The Member State shall decide the composition of the Monitoring Committee and shall ensure a balanced representation of the relevant public authorities and intermediate bodies and of representatives of the partners referred to in Article 94(3). ***Articles 94 (2) and 94 (2a) shall be duly taken into account.***

Amendment 79

Proposal for a regulation

Article 111 – paragraph 3 – point f

Text proposed by the Commission

(f) administrative capacity building for ***public*** authorities and beneficiaries, where relevant.

Amendment

(f) administrative capacity building for authorities and beneficiaries, ***civil society and bodies, as referred to in Article 94,*** where relevant.

Amendment 80

Proposal for a regulation

Article 113 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

1. Each Member State shall establish a national Common Agricultural Policy Network (national CAP network) for the networking of organisations and administrations, advisors, researchers and other innovation actors in the field of agriculture and rural development at national level at the latest 12 months after the approval by the Commission of the CAP Strategic Plan.

Amendment

1. Each Member State shall establish a national Common Agricultural Policy Network (national CAP network) for the networking of organisations and administrations, advisors, researchers and other innovation actors in the field of agriculture and rural development at national level at the latest 12 months after the approval by the Commission of the CAP Strategic Plan. ***The exchange with experts in the field of development cooperation shall be provided for in order to raise awareness and to facilitate the transfer of knowledge and best practices.***

Amendment 81

Proposal for a regulation

Article 115 – paragraph 3 – point b a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(b a) the consistency of measures set out in the plan with the Union's development policy objectives.

Amendment 82

Proposal for a regulation

Article 119 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

The Managing Authority and the Monitoring Committee shall monitor the implementation of the CAP Strategic Plan and progress made towards achieving the targets of the CAP Strategic Plan on the basis of the output and result indicators.

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Amendment 83

Proposal for a regulation Article 119 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

Article 119 a

Monitoring Policy Coherence for Development and independent system for receiving complaints

- 1. The achievement of the objectives set out in Article 6 (3) shall also be analysed, monitored and assessed on the basis of SDG indicators relating to the impact of the CAP, the CAP Strategic Plans and the interventions supported on the Unions development objectives and on developing countries.***
- 2. The Union and its Member States shall expand the mandate of the EU market observatories and develop a methodological framework for monitoring the CAP's impact on developing countries, notably in areas which have been identified as sensitive by the partner country, and/or to products from sectors where coupled payments are granted and where crisis management measures are deployed.***
- 3. The assessment shall also build on evidence provided by governments, civil society organisations and other stakeholders in developing countries, which are trading partners of the Union.***
- 4. The Commission shall transmit an annual report to the Council and to the European Parliament highlighting the results of the assessment, the evidence received and the Union's policy response.***
- 5. The Commission is empowered to adopt delegated acts in accordance with Article 138 supplementing this Regulation***

with rules defining adequate measures to analyse, monitor and assess the impact of the CAP, the CAP Strategic Plans and the interventions supported on the Unions development objectives and on developing countries, taking into account relevant international initiatives, in particular by the United Nations Special Rapporteur on the Right to Food, the FAO, and the Committee on Food Security.

6. *The CAP Monitoring system shall be complemented by an independent system within the Union for receiving complaints by persons or communities affected by the CAP. Complaints shall be received by the Parliament's Standing Rapporteur on PCD and a Hearing Officer of the Commissions Directorate-General for Agriculture and Rural Development. Evidence may be presented by the complainant or third parties.*

Amendment 84

Proposal for a regulation Article 119 b (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

Article 119b

Social safeguard

A social safeguard shall be available to affected groups or countries in case of a negative impact of the CAP on long-term food security and serious difficulties caused to smallholders.

Justification

The impact of different CAP instruments on agricultural development in developing countries depends on factors such as world market prices, trade regimes, production capacities and policy choices in the partner countries. Hence, regular assessment is required to receive evidence from within the partner countries and to take into account international developments in this area. A social safeguard clause may be based on the precedent of Article 25(2b) of the European Partnership Agreement Cariforum-EU, which states that a safeguard

measure may be taken when a product is being imported into the territory of the other Party in such increased quantities and under such conditions as to cause or threaten to cause disturbances in a sector of the economy, particularly where these disturbances produce major social problems

Amendment 85

Proposal for a regulation

Article 121 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

1. By 15 February 2023 and 15 February of each subsequent year until and including 2030, the Member States shall submit to the Commission an annual performance report on the implementation of the CAP Strategic Plan in the previous financial year. The report submitted in 2023 shall cover the financial years 2021 and 2022. For direct payments as referred to in Chapter II of Title III, the report shall cover only financial year 2022.

Amendment

1. By 15 February 2023 and 15 February of each subsequent year until and including 2030, the Member States shall submit to the Commission an annual performance report on the implementation of the CAP Strategic Plan in the previous financial year ***taking into account its internal and external effects***. The report submitted in 2023 shall cover the financial years 2021 and 2022. For direct payments as referred to in Chapter II of Title III, the report shall cover only financial year 2022.

Justification

Article 208 of the TFEU obliges the EU to “take account of the objectives of development cooperation in the policies that it implements that are likely affect developing countries.”

Amendment 86

Proposal for a regulation

Article 138 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

2. The power to adopt delegated acts referred to in Articles 4, 7, 12, 15, 23, 28, 32, 35, 36, 37, 41, 50, 78, 81, 104 and 141 shall be conferred on the Commission for a period of seven years from the date of entry into force of this Regulation. The Commission shall draw up a report in respect of the delegation of power not later than nine months before the end of the seven-year period. The delegation of power

Amendment

2. The power to adopt delegated acts referred to in Articles 4, 7, 12, 15, 23, 28, **29**, 32, 35, 36, 37, 41, 50, 78, 81, 104, **119a** and 141 shall be conferred on the Commission for a period of seven years from the date of entry into force of this Regulation. The Commission shall draw up a report in respect of the delegation of power not later than nine months before the end of the seven-year period. The

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Amendment 87

Proposal for a regulation Article 138 – paragraph 3

Text proposed by the Commission

3. The delegation of powers referred to in Articles 4, 7, 12, 15, 23, 28, 32, 35, 36, 37, 41, 50, 78, 81, 104 and 141 may be revoked at any time by the European Parliament or by the Council. A decision to revoke shall put an end to the delegation of the powers specified in that decision. It shall take effect the day following the publication of the decision in the Official Journal of the European Union or at a later date specified therein. It shall not affect the validity of any delegated acts already in force.

Amendment

3. The delegation of powers referred to in Articles 4, 7, 12, 15, 23, 28, **29**, 32, 35, 36, 37, 41, 50, 78, 81, 104, **119a** and 141 may be revoked at any time by the European Parliament or by the Council. A decision to revoke shall put an end to the delegation of the powers specified in that decision. It shall take effect the day following the publication of the decision in the Official Journal of the European Union or at a later date specified therein. It shall not affect the validity of any delegated acts already in force.

Amendment 88

Proposal for a regulation Article 138 – paragraph 6

Text proposed by the Commission

6. A delegated act adopted pursuant to Articles 4, 7, 12, 15, 23, 28, 32, 35, 36, 37, 41, 50, 78, 81, 104 and 141 shall enter into force only if no objection has been expressed either by the European Parliament or the Council within a period of two months of notification of that act to the European Parliament and the Council or if, before the expiry of that period, the European Parliament and the Council have both informed the Commission that they

Amendment

6. A delegated act adopted pursuant to Articles 4, 7, 12, 15, 23, 28, **29**, 32, 35, 36, 37, 41, 50, 78, 81, 104, **119a** and 141 shall enter into force only if no objection has been expressed either by the European Parliament or the Council within a period of two months of notification of that act to the European Parliament and the Council or if, before the expiry of that period, the European Parliament and the Council have both informed the Commission that they

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PROCEDURE – COMMITTEE ASKED FOR OPINION

Title	Establishing rules on support for strategic plans to be drawn up by Member States under the Common agricultural policy (CAP Strategic Plans) and financed by the European Agricultural Guarantee Fund (EAGF) and by the European Agricultural Fund for Rural Development (EAFRD)
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Members present for the final vote	Beatriz Becerra Basterrechea, Ignazio Corrao, Charles Goerens, Maria Heubuch, György Hölvényi, Arne Lietz, Linda McAvan, Norbert Neuser, Elly Schlein, Bogusław Sonik, Mirja Vehkaperä, Anna Záborská
Substitutes present for the final vote	Stefan Gehrold, Bernd Lucke, Judith Sargentini
Substitutes under Rule 200(2) present for the final vote	Asim Ademov, Czesław Hoc, Monika Hohlmeier, John Howarth, Tom Vandenkendelaere, Josef Weidenholzer, Bogdan Andrzej Zdrojewski

FINAL VOTE BY ROLL CALL IN COMMITTEE ASKED FOR OPINION

20	+
ALDE	Beatriz Becerra Basterrechea, Charles Goerens, Mirja Vehkaperä
EFDD	Ignazio Corrao
PPE	Asim Ademov, Stefan Gehroid, Monika Hohlmeier, György Hölvényi, Bogusław Sonik, Tom Vandenkendelaere, Anna Záborská, Bogdan Andrzej Zdrojewski
S&D	John Howarth, Arne Lietz, Linda McAvan, Norbert Neuser, Elly Schlein, Josef Weidenholzer
VERTS/ALE	Maria Heubuch, Judith Sargentini

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ECR	Czesław Hoc, Bernd Lucke

Key to symbols:

+ : in favour

- : against

0 : abstention

21.11.2018

OPINION OF THE COMMITTEE ON BUDGETS

for the Committee on Agriculture and Rural Development

on the proposal for a regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council establishing rules on support for strategic plans to be drawn up by Member States under the Common agricultural policy (CAP Strategic Plans) and financed by the European Agricultural Guarantee Fund (EAGF) and by the European Agricultural Fund for Rural Development (EAFRD) and repealing Regulation (EU) No 1305/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council and Regulation (EU) No 1307/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council
(COM(2018)0392 – C8-0248/2018 – 2018/0216(COD))

Rapporteur for opinion: Nedzhmi Ali

AMENDMENTS

The Committee on Budgets 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 a (new)**

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(1 a) Within the Multiannual Financial Framework for 2021-2027 a significant part of the Union budget should continue to be dedicated to agriculture, which is a common policy of strategic importance. Therefore, the financial envelope for the CAP should be EUR 383.255 billion in 2018 prices (EUR 431.946 billion in

current prices).

Justification

In line with the decision of the Conference of Presidents of 13 September 2018, the compromise amendment reflects the latest breakdown of the MFF per programme as proposed by the MFF Rapporteurs and adopted on the interim report on the proposal for a Council regulation on the Multiannual Financial Framework 2021-2027 – Parliament's position with a view to an agreement.

Amendment 2

Proposal for a regulation Recital 1 b (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(1b) On 14 March and 30 May 2018, the European Parliament stressed in its resolution on the 2021-2027 Multiannual Financial Framework (MFF) the importance of the horizontal principles that should underpin the MFF 2021-2027 and all related Union policies. Parliament reaffirmed, in that context, its position that the Union must deliver on its commitment to be a frontrunner in implementing the UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), and deplored the lack of a clear and visible commitment to that end in those proposals. Therefore, Parliament requested the mainstreaming of the SDGs into all Union policies and initiatives of the next MFF. It further underlined that the elimination of discrimination was vital to fulfil the EU's commitments towards an inclusive Europe and therefore called for gender mainstreaming and gender equality commitments to be incorporated in all Union policies and initiatives in the next MFF. It stressed in its resolution that, in response to the Paris Agreement, cross-cutting climate-related spending should be significantly increased in comparison with the current MFF and reach 30% as soon as possible and at the latest by 2027.

Amendment 3

Proposal for a regulation Recital 1 c (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(1c) In its resolution of 30 May 2018 on the Multiannual Financial Framework and own resources for 2021-2027, the European Parliament deplored the fact that the Commission proposal of 2 May 2018 on the MFF for 2021-2027 led directly to a 15% reduction in the level of the common agricultural policy, and stated that it was particularly opposed to any radical cuts that would adversely impact on the very nature and objectives of that policy. It also questioned, in this context, the proposal to drastically cut the European Agricultural Fund for Rural Development by more than 25 %;

Amendment 4

Proposal for a regulation Recital 2

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(2) Since the CAP needs to sharpen its responses to the challenges and opportunities as they manifest themselves at Union, international, national, regional, local and farm levels, it is necessary to 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

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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.

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. ***The CAP shall also contribute to fulfilling the commitment of the Union and its Member States to achieve the Sustainable Development Goals.***

Amendment 5

Proposal for a regulation Recital 5 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(5 a) The focus in the future of farming should be on producing high-quality food, as that is where Europe's competitive advantage lies. Union standards should be maintained and strengthened where feasible, and measures should be envisioned to further increase the long-term productivity and competitiveness of the food production sector, and to introduce new technologies and a more efficient use of resources, thereby strengthening the Unions role as a world leader.

Amendment 6

Proposal for a regulation Recital 6

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(6) Synergies between the EAFRD and Horizon Europe should encourage that the EAFRD makes the best use of research and innovation results, in particular those stemming from projects funded by Horizon Europe and the European Innovation Partnership (EIP) for 'agricultural productivity and sustainability', leading to

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innovations in the farming sector and rural areas.

‘agricultural productivity and sustainability’, leading to innovations in the farming sector and rural areas.

Amendment 7

Proposal for a regulation Recital 7 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(7 a) In order to ensure a fair distribution of direct payments between Member States and to close the gaps between the different regions of the Union, reliable socio-economic indexes and production costs should be taken into account. In this respect it is crucial to ensure equal competition conditions for all farmers in the Union, taking into account the vulnerabilities and specificities of small-scale economies, as well as to implement measures in order to mitigate price volatility.

Amendment 8

Proposal for a regulation Recital 11 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(11a) To achieve the Union's climate objectives, climate action targets should be overall of at least 25 % of the EU budget expenditures supporting climate objectives over the MFF 2021-2027 period, and an annual target of 30 % as soon as possible and at the latest by 2027. In order to address the European Court of Auditors recommendations, compulsory climate action targets should be laid out in programme specific legislations and require ex-ante earmarking in all programming and planning processes rather than ex-post accounting. Climate

mainstreaming and climate proofing mechanisms should be unified by reforming, expanding and centralizing the Rio Marker system, in order to differentiate between mitigation and adaptation, and between sectors; and by 'Energy Efficiency first' assessments during infrastructure investment planning, as set out in the Regulation on the Governance of the Energy Union, as well as clear exclusion criteria. Performance frameworks should be based on adequate and elaborate output and result indicators, showing the level of ambition and putting results into perspective of national needs, objectives and opportunities.

Amendment 9

Proposal for a regulation Recital 42

Text proposed by the Commission

(42) In the light of the need to fill the investment gap in the Union agricultural sector and improve access to financial instruments for priority groups, notably young farmers and new entrants with higher risk profiles, use of the InvestEU guarantee and combination of grants and financial instruments should be encouraged. Since the use of financial instruments across Member States varies considerably as a result of differences in terms of access to finance, banking sector development, presence of risk capital, familiarity of public administrations and potential range of beneficiaries, Member States should establish in the CAP Strategic Plan appropriate targets, beneficiaries and preferential conditions, and other possible eligibility rules.

Amendment

(42) In the light of the need to fill the investment gap in the Union agricultural sector and improve access to financial instruments for priority groups, notably young farmers, **women** and new entrants with higher risk profiles, use of the InvestEU guarantee and combination of grants and financial instruments should be encouraged. Since the use of financial instruments across Member States varies considerably as a result of differences in terms of access to finance, banking sector development, presence of risk capital, familiarity of public administrations and potential range of beneficiaries, Member States should establish in the CAP Strategic Plan appropriate targets, beneficiaries and preferential conditions, and other possible eligibility rules.

Amendment 10

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 52

Text proposed by the Commission

(52) Reflecting the importance of tackling climate change in line with the Union's commitments to implement the Paris Agreement and the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals, this Program will contribute to mainstream climate action in the Union's policies and to the achievement of an overall target of **25%** of the EU budget expenditures supporting climate objectives. Actions under the CAP are expected to contribute **40 %** of the overall financial envelope of the CAP to climate objectives. Relevant actions will be identified during the Program's preparation and implementation, and reassessed in the context of the relevant evaluations and review processes.

Amendment

(52) Reflecting the importance of tackling climate change in line with the Union's commitments to implement the Paris Agreement and the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals, this Program will contribute to mainstream climate action in the Union's policies and to the achievement of an overall target of **at least 25 %** of the EU budget expenditures supporting climate objectives **over the MFF 2021-2027 period, and an annual target of 30 % as soon as possible and at the latest by 2027**. Actions under the CAP are expected to contribute **45 %** of the overall financial envelope of the CAP to climate objectives. Relevant actions will be identified during the Program's preparation and implementation, and reassessed in the context of the relevant evaluations and review processes.

Amendment 11

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 55 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(55a) The new delivery model must not call into question the integrity of the single market or the historically European nature of the CAP, which must remain a truly common policy, ensuring a European approach and a level playing field.

Amendment 12

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 79 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(79a) After 2020, the CAP must support farmers more efficiently, in order to address price and income volatility.

Amendment 13

Proposal for a regulation Recital 80 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(80a) Trade agreements signed with non-EU countries relating to the agricultural sector should provide for arrangements and contain safeguard clauses to ensure a level playing field between EU and non-EU farmers and to protect consumers.

Amendment 14

Proposal for a regulation Article 2 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

2. Chapter III of Title II, Chapter II of Title III and Articles 41 and 43 of Regulation (EU) [CPR] of the European Parliament and of the Council²⁶ shall apply to support financed by the EAFRD under this Regulation.

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²⁶ Regulation (EU) [...] of the European Parliament and of the Council of [date] [full title] (OJ L).

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Amendment 15

Proposal for a regulation

Article 5 – paragraph 1 – introductory part

Text proposed by the Commission

Support from the EAGF and EAFRD shall aim to further improve the sustainable development of farming, food and rural areas and shall contribute to achieving the following general objectives:

Amendment

CAP shall remain a common Union policy and shall be adequately funded in order to deliver its objectives and achieve the ambitions of a revised and efficient CAP. Support from the EAGF and EAFRD shall aim to further improve the sustainable development of farming, food and rural areas and shall contribute to achieving the following general objectives:

Amendment 16

Proposal for a regulation

Article 6 – paragraph 1 – point g

Text proposed by the Commission

(g) ***attract*** young farmers and ***facilitate*** business development in rural areas;

Amendment

(g) ***increased support for family farms, attraction of women and*** young farmers and ***facilitating*** business development in rural areas;

Amendment 17

Proposal for a regulation

Article 6 – paragraph 1 – point h

Text proposed by the Commission

(h) promote employment, growth, social inclusion and local development in rural areas, including bio-economy and sustainable forestry;

Amendment

(h) promote employment, growth, social inclusion and local development in rural, ***remote, naturally constrained and mountainous*** areas, including bio-economy and sustainable forestry;

Amendment 18

Proposal for a regulation

Article 6 – paragraph 1 – point h

Text proposed by the Commission

(h) promote employment, growth, social inclusion and local development in rural areas, including bio-economy and sustainable forestry;

Amendment

(h) promote employment, growth, social inclusion, **gender equality, non-discrimination** and local development in rural areas, including bio-economy and sustainable forestry;

Amendment 19

Proposal for a regulation

Article 6 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

2. When pursuing the specific objectives Member States shall ensure simplification and performance of the CAP support.

Amendment

2. When pursuing the specific objectives Member States shall ensure simplification and performance of the CAP support.
Commission shall ensure that financial and performance control and audit functions are performed to the same high-level standards of continuous improvement across all Member States while fully respecting the principles of subsidiarity and flexibility.

Amendment 20

Proposal for a regulation

Article 7 – paragraph 1 – subparagraph 1 – introductory part

Text proposed by the Commission

Achievement of the objectives referred to in Articles 5 and 6(1) shall be assessed on the basis of common indicators related to output, result and impact. The set of common indicators shall include:

Amendment

Achievement of the objectives referred to in Articles 5 and 6(1) shall be assessed ***implementing results-based approach*** on the basis of common indicators related to output, result and impact. The set of common indicators shall include:

Amendment 21

Proposal for a regulation Article 22 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

1. Each Member State deciding to grant the basic income support based on payment entitlements shall manage a national reserve.

Amendment

1. Each Member State deciding to grant the basic income support based on payment entitlements shall manage a national reserve ***in accordance with the national legislation.***

Amendment 22

Proposal for a regulation Article 79 – paragraph 1 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

1 a. The total amount of Union support for types of interventions for EAGF under this Regulation for the period from 1 January 2021 to 31 December 2027 shall be EUR 286.543 billion in 2018 prices (EUR 322.948 billion in current prices).

Justification

In line with the decision of the Conference of Presidents of 13 September 2018, the compromise amendment reflects the latest breakdown of the MFF per programme as proposed by the MFF Rapporteurs and adopted on the interim report on the proposal for a Council regulation on the Multiannual Financial Framework 2021-2027 – Parliament's position with a view to an agreement.

Amendment 23

Proposal for a regulation Article 79 – paragraph 2 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

2 a. The total amount of Union support for types of interventions for EAFRD

under this Regulation for the period from 1 January 2021 to 31 December 2027 shall be EUR 96.712 billion in 2018 prices (EUR 108.999 billion in current prices).

Justification

In line with the decision of the Conference of Presidents of 13 September 2018, the compromise amendment reflects the latest breakdown of the MFF per programme as proposed by the MFF Rapporteurs and adopted on the interim report on the proposal for a Council regulation on the Multiannual Financial Framework 2021-2027 – Parliament's position with a view to an agreement.

Amendment 24

**Proposal for a regulation
Article 83 – paragraph 1**

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

1. The total amount of Union support for types of interventions for rural development under this Regulation for the period from 1 January 2021 to 31 December 2027 shall be EUR 78 811 million in current prices in accordance with the multiannual financial framework for the years 2021 to 2027³⁸. ***deleted***

³⁸ *Proposal for a Council Regulation laying down the multiannual financial framework for the years 2021-2027 Communication from the Commission to the European Parliament, the Council, the European Economic and Social Committee and the Committee of the Regions, COM(2018)322 final.*

Amendment 25

**Proposal for a regulation
Article 83 – paragraph 2**

Text proposed by the Commission

2. 0,25% of the resources referred to in paragraph **1** shall be devoted to finance the activities of technical assistance on the initiative of the Commission referred to in Article 7 of the Regulation (EU) [HzR], including the European network for the Common Agricultural Policy referred to in Article 113(2) of this Regulation and the European Innovation Partnership for agricultural productivity and sustainability referred to in Article 114 of this Regulation. Those activities may concern previous and subsequent CAP Strategic Plan periods.

Amendment

2. 0,25% of the resources referred to in **Article 79** paragraph **3** shall be devoted to finance the activities of technical assistance on the initiative of the Commission referred to in Article 7 of the Regulation (EU) [HzR], including the European network for the Common Agricultural Policy referred to in Article 113(2) of this Regulation and the European Innovation Partnership for agricultural productivity and sustainability referred to in Article 114 of this Regulation. Those activities may concern previous and subsequent CAP Strategic Plan periods.

Amendment 26

Proposal for a regulation
Article 91 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

Based on the **SWOT** analysis referred to in Article 103(2) and an assessment of needs referred to in Article 96, Member State shall establish in the CAP Strategic Plans an intervention strategy as referred to in Article 97 in which quantitative targets and milestones shall be set to achieve the specific objectives set out in Article 6. The targets shall be defined using a common set of result indicators set out in Annex I.

Amendment

Based on the **Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities and Threats (SWOT)** analysis referred to in Article 103(2) and an assessment of needs referred to in Article 96, Member State shall establish in the CAP Strategic Plans an intervention strategy as referred to in Article 97 in which quantitative targets and milestones shall be set to achieve the specific objectives set out in Article 6. The targets shall be defined using a common set of result indicators set out in Annex I.

Amendment 27

Proposal for a regulation
Article 127 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

2. The Commission shall carry out an

Amendment

2. The Commission shall carry out an

interim evaluation to examine the effectiveness, efficiency, relevance, coherence and Union added value of the EAGF and the EAFRD by the end of the third year following the start of implementation of the CAP Strategic Plans taking into account the indicators set out in Annex I. The Commission may make use of all relevant information already available in accordance with Article [128] of the [New Financial Regulation].

interim evaluation to examine the effectiveness, efficiency, relevance, coherence and Union added value of the EAGF and the EAFRD, ***as well as the use by Member States of transfers between direct payments and EAFRD allocations in accordance with Article 90 of this Regulation***, by the end of the third year following the start of implementation of the CAP Strategic Plans taking into account the indicators set out in Annex I. The Commission may make use of all relevant information already available in accordance with Article [128] of the [New Financial Regulation].

Amendment 28

Proposal for a regulation Article 127 – paragraph 3

Text proposed by the Commission

3. The Commission shall carry out an ex post evaluation to examine the effectiveness, efficiency, relevance, coherence and Union added value of the EAGF and the EAFRD.

Amendment

3. The Commission shall carry out an ex post evaluation to examine the effectiveness, efficiency, relevance, coherence and Union added value of the EAGF and the EAFRD, ***as well as the use by Member States of transfers between direct payments and EAFRD allocations in accordance with Article 90 of this Regulation***.

PROCEDURE – COMMITTEE ASKED FOR OPINION

Title	Establishing rules on support for strategic plans to be drawn up by Member States under the Common agricultural policy (CAP Strategic Plans) and financed by the European Agricultural Guarantee Fund (EAGF) and by the European Agricultural Fund for Rural Development (EAFRD)
References	COM(2018)0392 – C8-0248/2018 – 2018/0216(COD)
Committee responsible Date announced in plenary	AGRI 11.6.2018
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Rapporteur Date appointed	Nedzhmi Ali 11.7.2018
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Date adopted	21.11.2018
Result of final vote	+: 27 –: 4 0: 2
Members present for the final vote	Nedzhmi Ali, Jean Arthuis, Lefteris Christoforou, Gérard Deprez, Manuel dos Santos, André Elissen, José Manuel Fernandes, Eider Gardiazabal Rubial, Ingeborg Gräßle, Iris Hoffmann, Monika Hohlmeier, John Howarth, Bernd Kölmel, Zbigniew Kuźmiuk, Vladimír Maňka, Jan Olbrycht, Răzvan Popa, Petri Sarvamaa, Jordi Solé, Patricija Šulin, Eleftherios Synadinos, Indrek Tarand, Isabelle Thomas, Inese Vaidere, Monika Vana, Daniele Viotti, Tiemo Wölken, Stanisław Żółtek
Substitutes present for the final vote	Karine Gloanec Maurin, Giovanni La Via, Ivana Maletić, Andrey Novakov, Tomáš Zdechovský

FINAL VOTE BY ROLL CALL IN COMMITTEE ASKED FOR OPINION

27	+
ALDE	Nedzhmi Ali, Jean Arthuis, Gérard Deprez
ECR	Zbigniew Kuźmiuk
PPE	Lefteris Christoforou, José Manuel Fernandes, Ingeborg Gräßle, Monika Hohlmeier, Giovanni La Via, Ivana Maletić, Andrey Novakov, Jan Olbrycht, Petri Sarvamaa, Patricija Šulin, Inese Vaidere, Tomáš Zdechovský
S&D	Eider Gardiazabal Rubial, Karine Gloanec Maurin, Iris Hoffmann, John Howarth, Vladimír Maňka, Răzvan Popa, Manuel dos Santos, Isabelle Thomas, Daniele Viotti, Tiemo Wölken
VERTS/ALE	Indrek Tarand

4	-
ECR	Bernd Kölmel
ENF	André Elissen, Stanisław Żółtek
NI	Eleftherios Synadinos

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VERTS/ALE	Jordi Solé, Monika Vana

Key to symbols:

+ : in favour

- : against

0 : abstention

30.1.2019

OPINION OF THE COMMITTEE ON BUDGETARY CONTROL

for the Committee on Agriculture and Rural Development

on the proposal for a regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council establishing rules on support for strategic plans to be drawn up by Member States under the Common agricultural policy (CAP Strategic Plans) and financed by the European Agricultural Guarantee Fund (EAGF) and by the European Agricultural Fund for Rural Development (EAFRD)

(COM(2018)0392 – C8-0248/2018 – 2018/0216(COD))

Rapporteur for opinion: Joachim Zeller

SHORT JUSTIFICATION

CONT committee welcomes the Commission aims to move from a compliance-based towards a performance-based delivery model for the CAP. However as pointed out by the European Court of Auditors in its Opinion 7/2018, the proposal does not contain all the necessary elements of an effective performance system. “The absence of clear, specific and quantified EU objectives creates uncertainty about how the Commission would assess Member States CAP strategic plans. It also means that achievement of EU objectives cannot be measured” (ECA opinion 7/2018, paragraph 8).

It is also regrettable that the framework proposed provides relatively weak incentives for performance. Targets could be missed by a considerable margin with little impact on EU financing. Successful performance could trigger at best a marginal ‘performance’ bonus.

According to the Court, the following elements would need to be in place:

- clear, specific and quantified EU objectives for which achievement can be measured;
- measures that are clearly linked to objectives;
- a fully developed set of output, result and impact indicators;
- requirements for Member States to compile reliable and comparable statistics on disposable farm income;
- transparent criteria for assessing the content and quality of the CAP strategic plans;
- performance-based payments to the Member States.

AMENDMENTS

The Committee on Budgetary Control 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 2

Text proposed by the Commission

(2) Since the CAP needs to sharpen its responses to the challenges and opportunities as they manifest themselves at Union, international, national, regional, local and farm levels, it is necessary to 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.

Amendment

(2) Since the CAP needs to sharpen its responses to the challenges and opportunities as they manifest themselves at Union, international, national, regional, local and farm levels, it is necessary to streamline the governance of the CAP and improve its delivery on the Union objectives and to significantly decrease the administrative burden, ***in particular to the final beneficiaries***. 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, ***while ensuring the commonality of the CAP is not undermined***, makes it possible to better take into account local conditions and needs, tailoring the support to maximise the contribution to Union objectives.

Amendment 2

Proposal for a regulation Recital 5

Text proposed by the Commission

(5) In order to retain the essential Union-wide elements to ensure comparability between Member State

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decisions, without however limiting Member States in reaching Union objectives, a framework definition for ‘agricultural area’ should be set out. The related framework definitions for ‘arable land’, ‘permanent crops’ and ‘permanent grassland’ should be set out in a broad way to allow Member States to further specify definitions according to their local conditions. The framework definition for ‘arable land’ should be laid down in a way that allows Member States to cover different production forms, including system such as agroforestry and arable areas with shrubs and trees and that requires the inclusion of fallow land areas in order to ensure the decoupled nature of the interventions. The framework definition of ‘permanent crops’ should include both areas actually used for production and not, as well as nurseries and short rotation coppice to be defined by Member States. The framework definition of ‘permanent grassland’ should be set in a way that allows Member States to specify further criteria and allows them to include species other than grasses or other herbaceous forage that can be grazed or that may produce animal feed, whether used for actual production or not.

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Amendment 3

Proposal for a regulation

Recital 9

Text proposed by the Commission

(9) In view of further improving the performance of the CAP, income support should be targeted to ***genuine*** farmers. In order to ensure a common approach at Union level for such a targeting of support, a framework definition for ‘***genuine*** farmer’ displaying the essential elements should be set out. On the basis of this

Amendment

(9) In view of further improving the performance of the CAP, income support should be targeted to farmers ***who carry out an agricultural activity on the agricultural areas of their holding***. In order to ensure a common approach at Union level for such a targeting of support, a framework definition for ***a "farmer"***

framework, Member States should define in their CAP Strategic Plans which farmers are ***not considered genuine farmers based on conditions such as income tests, labour inputs on the farm, company object and inclusion in registers.*** It should ***also*** not result in precluding support to pluri-active farmers, who are actively farming but who are also engaged in non-agricultural activities outside their farm, as their multiple activities often strengthen the socio-economic fabric of rural areas.

displaying the essential elements ***and a clear definition of a "farmer" for the purposes of establishing eligibility for support*** should be set out. On the basis of this framework, Member States should define in their CAP Strategic Plans which farmers are ***eligible for support; as the policy direction in Rural Development has encouraged farmers to diversity their activities beyond the farm gate this*** should not result in precluding support to pluri-active farmers, who are actively farming but who are also engaged in non-agricultural activities outside their farm, as their multiple activities often strengthen the socio-economic fabric of rural areas.

Justification

The definition of a farmer should be set out at EU level for the purposes of establishing eligibility for payments in order to ensure a level playing field. The use of the term "farmer" should not be qualified with terms that calls into question their legitimacy. the deletion of the term "genuine" will apply through the text.

Amendment 4

Proposal for a regulation Recital 10

Text proposed by the Commission

(10) In order to ensure consistency between ***the*** direct ***payments*** types of interventions and rural development types of interventions when addressing the objective of generational renewal, a framework definition for ‘young farmer’ with the essential elements should be set out at Union level.

Amendment

(10) In order to ensure consistency between direct ***payment*** types of interventions and rural development types of interventions when addressing the objective of generational renewal ***which is of critical importance***, a framework definition for ‘young farmer’ with the essential ***broad*** elements should be set out at Union level, ***which should not be restrictive in order to facilitate new entrants into agriculture and reflect the realities on the ground in the Member States.***

Justification

Previous support schemes on this topic were too restrictive and resulted in excluding young farmers from support.

Amendment 5

Proposal for a regulation

Recital 12

Text proposed by the Commission

(12) A smarter, modernised and more sustainable CAP needs to embrace research and innovation, in order to serve the multi-functionality of Union agriculture, forestry and food systems, investing in technological development and digitalisation, as well as improving the access to impartial, sound, relevant and new knowledge.

Amendment

(12) A smarter, modernised and more sustainable CAP needs to embrace research and innovation, in order to serve the multi-functionality of Union agriculture, **agroforestry**, forestry and food systems, investing in technological development and digitalisation, as well as improving the access to impartial, sound, relevant and new knowledge.

Amendment 6

Proposal for a regulation

Recital 14

Text proposed by the Commission

(14) In order to foster a smart and resilient agricultural sector, direct payments keep **on** constituting an essential part to guarantee **a fair** income support to farmers. Likewise, investments into farm restructuring, modernisation, innovation, diversification and uptake of new technologies are necessary to improve farmers' market reward.

Amendment

(14) In order to foster a smart and resilient agricultural sector, direct payments **that are credible, equitable, and fair** keep constituting an essential part to guarantee income support to farmers. Likewise, investments into farm restructuring, **strengthening the farmers' position in the food chain**, modernisation, innovation, diversification and uptake of new technologies are necessary to improve farmers' market reward.

Justification

CAP payments must be equitable and fair in order to ensure continued public support.

Amendment 7

Proposal for a regulation Recital 26

Text proposed by the Commission

(26) Union legislation should provide that Member States should set requirements in terms of minimum area for receiving decoupled payments in their CAP Strategic Plan. Such requirements should relate to the need to avoid the excessive administrative burden caused by managing numerous payments of small amounts and to that of ensuring an effective contribution of the support to the objectives of the CAP to which the decoupled direct payments contribute. In order to guarantee a minimum level of agricultural income support for all genuine farmers, as well as to comply with the Treaty objective in ensuring a fair standard of living for the agricultural community, an annual area-based decoupled payment should be established as the type of intervention ‘basic income support for sustainability’. In order to enhance better targeting of this support, the payment amounts can be differentiated, by groups of territories, based on socio-economic and/or agronomic conditions. In view of avoiding disruptive effects for farmers' income, Member States may choose to implement the basic income support for sustainability based on payment entitlements. In this case, the value of payment entitlements before any further convergence should be proportional to their value as established under the basic payment schemes pursuant to Regulation (EU) No 1307/2013, taking also into account the payments for agricultural practices beneficial for the climate and the environment. Member States should also achieve further convergence in order to ***continue to*** move progressively ***away from historical values***.

Amendment

(26) Union legislation should provide that Member States should set requirements in terms of minimum area for receiving decoupled payments in their CAP Strategic Plan. Such requirements should relate to the need to avoid the excessive administrative burden caused by managing numerous payments of small amounts and to that of ensuring an effective contribution of the support to the objectives of the CAP to which the decoupled direct payments contribute. In order to guarantee a minimum level of agricultural income support for all genuine farmers, as well as to comply with the Treaty objective in ensuring a fair standard of living for the agricultural community, an annual area-based decoupled payment should be established as the type of intervention ‘basic income support for sustainability’. In order to enhance better targeting of this support, the payment amounts can be differentiated, by groups of territories, based on socio-economic and/or agronomic conditions. In view of avoiding disruptive effects for farmers' income, Member States may choose to implement the basic income support for sustainability based on payment entitlements. In this case, the value of payment entitlements before any further convergence should be proportional to their value as established under the basic payment schemes pursuant to Regulation (EU) No 1307/2013, taking also into account the payments for agricultural practices beneficial for the climate and the environment. Member States should also achieve further convergence in order to move progressively ***to full convergence by 2026***.

Justification

In order to ensure equal treatment of farmers under the European Charter of Fundamental human rights it is no longer justified to pay farmers on agricultural activity based on the reference years 2000 - 2002.

Amendment 8

Proposal for a regulation Recital 42

Text proposed by the Commission

(42) In the light of the need to fill the investment gap in the Union agricultural sector and improve access to financial instruments for priority groups, notably young farmers and new entrants with higher risk profiles, use of the **InvestEU** guarantee and combination of grants and financial instruments should be **encouraged**. Since the use of financial instruments across Member States varies considerably as a result of differences in terms of access to finance, banking sector development, presence of risk capital, familiarity of public administrations and potential range of beneficiaries, Member States should establish in the CAP Strategic Plan appropriate targets, beneficiaries and preferential conditions, and other possible eligibility rules.

Amendment

(42) In the light of the need to fill the investment gap in the Union agricultural sector and improve access to financial instruments for priority groups, notably young farmers and new entrants with higher risk profiles, use of the **Invest EU** guarantee and combination of grants and financial instruments should be **made available, while respecting the norms of prudent lending and discouraging unsustainable borrowing**. Since the use of financial instruments across Member States varies considerably as a result of differences in terms of access to finance, banking sector development, presence of risk capital, familiarity of public administrations and potential range of beneficiaries, Member States should establish in the CAP Strategic Plan appropriate targets, beneficiaries and preferential conditions, and other possible eligibility rules.

Amendment 9

Proposal for a regulation Article 4 – paragraph 1 – point a

Text proposed by the Commission

(a) 'agricultural activity' shall be defined in a way that it includes both the production of agricultural **products** listed in Annex I to the TFEU, including cotton

Amendment

(a) 'agricultural activity' shall be defined in a way that it includes both the production of agricultural **goods** listed in Annex I to the TFEU **in addition to the**

and short rotation coppice, and maintenance of the agricultural area in a state which makes it suitable for grazing or cultivation, without preparatory action going beyond usual agricultural methods and machineries;

production of public goods and eco system services from the agricultural area, including cotton and short rotation coppice, and maintenance of the agricultural area in a state which makes it suitable for grazing or cultivation, without preparatory action going beyond usual agricultural methods and machineries;

Justification

Agricultural output is much broader than the production of commodities.

Amendment 10

Proposal for a regulation

Article 4 – paragraph 1 – point b – introductory part

Text proposed by the Commission

(b) 'agricultural area' shall be defined in a way that it is composed of arable land, permanent crops **and** permanent grassland. The terms 'arable land', 'permanent crops' **and** 'permanent grassland' shall be further specified by Member States within the following framework:

Amendment

(b) 'agricultural area' shall be defined in a way that it is composed of arable land, permanent crops, permanent grassland **and agroforestry systems**. The terms 'arable land', 'permanent crops' 'permanent grassland' **and "agroforestry systems"** shall be further specified by Member States within the following framework:

Justification

Agroforestry should be mainstreamed into agricultural policy and put on the same footing as other land uses.

Amendment 11

Proposal for a regulation

Article 4 – paragraph 1 – point b – point ii

Text proposed by the Commission

(ii) 'permanent crops' shall be non-rotational crops other than permanent grassland and permanent pasture that occupy the land for five years or more, which yield repeated harvests, including

Amendment

(ii) 'permanent crops' shall be non-rotational crops other than permanent grassland and permanent pasture that occupy the land for five years or more, which yield repeated harvests, including

nurseries and short rotation coppice;

agroforestry systems, nurseries and short rotation coppice;

Amendment 12

Proposal for a regulation

Article 4 – paragraph 1 – point b – point iii

Text proposed by the Commission

(iii) 'permanent grassland and permanent pasture' (together referred to as 'permanent grassland') shall be land not included in the crop rotation of the holding for five years or more, used to grow grasses or other herbaceous forage naturally (self-seeded) or through cultivation (*sown*). *It may include other species such as shrubs and/or trees which can be grazed or produce animal feed;*

Amendment

(iii) 'permanent grassland and permanent pasture'(together referred to as 'permanent grassland') shall be land not included in the crop rotation of the holding for five years or more, used to grow grasses or other herbaceous forage naturally (self-seeded) or through cultivation(*sown*). ***The framework definition of 'permanent grassland' should be set in a way that allows Member States to specify further criteria and allows them to include species other than grasses or other herbaceous forage that can be grazed or that may produce animal feed, forage area for pollinators whether used for actual production or not;***

Justification

The definition of permanent pasture must be suitable broad to cater for differing situation and different uses of forage area in Member States.

Amendment 13

Proposal for a regulation

Article 4 – paragraph 1 – point b – point iii a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(iii a) Agroforestry systems; land use systems in which trees are grown in combination with agriculture on the same land;

Justification

Agroforestry should be mainstreamed into agricultural policy and put on the same footing as other land uses

Amendment 14

Proposal for a regulation

Article 7 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

2. The Commission is empowered to adopt delegated acts in accordance with Article 138 amending Annex I to adapt the common output, result and impact indicators to take into account the experience with their application and, where needed, to add new indicators.

Amendment

2. The Commission is empowered to adopt delegated acts in accordance with Article 138 amending Annex I to adapt the common output, result and impact indicators to take into account the experience with their application, ***the comments made by the ECA in its opinion 7/2018, Annex I,*** and, where needed, to add new indicators.

Justification

As stated by the ECA, the Commission proposal does not contain the necessary elements of an effective performance system, and, in particular, a consistent set of output, result and impact indicators.

Amendment 15

Proposal for a regulation

Article 13 – paragraph 4 – point f a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(f a) the use of best agroforestry practices on both agricultural and forest lands;

Justification

Agroforestry practices have many benefits for the environment and increases farm resilience.

Amendment 16

Proposal for a regulation

Article 15 – paragraph 1 – point a

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

**(a) by at least 25 % for the tranche
between EUR 60 000 and EUR 75 000;** **deleted**

Justification

Degression/capping of direct payments leads to odd incentives that do not support the structural development of farms. The degression of direct payments above 60 000 EUR would not only affect exceptionally large units, but medium-sized units that have looked to invest and grow as well. If implemented, the proposed ceilings in Article 15 could also create an incentive to divide farms in a way that cannot be considered appropriate. Calculating the salaries and related contributions would cause administrative burden on both the farmer and the Member State. Simplification is needed.

Amendment 17

Proposal for a regulation

Article 15 – paragraph 1 – point b

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

**(b) by at least 50 % for the tranche
between EUR 75 000 and EUR 90 000;** **deleted**

Justification

Degression/capping of direct payments leads to odd incentives that do not support the structural development of farms. The degression of direct payments above 60 000 EUR would not only affect exceptionally large units, but medium-sized units that have looked to invest and grow as well. If implemented, the proposed ceilings in Article 15 could also create an incentive to divide farms in a way that cannot be considered appropriate. Calculating the salaries and related contributions would cause administrative burden on both the farmer and the Member State. Simplification is needed.

Amendment 18

Proposal for a regulation

Article 15 – paragraph 1 – point c

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

**(c) by at least 75 % for the tranche
between EUR 90 000 and EUR 100 000;** **deleted**

Justification

Degression/capping of direct payments leads to odd incentives that do not support the structural development of farms. The degression of direct payments above 60 000 EUR would not only affect exceptionally large units, but medium-sized units that have looked to invest and grow as well. If implemented, the proposed ceilings in Article 15 could also create an incentive to divide farms in a way that cannot be considered appropriate. Calculating the salaries and related contributions would cause administrative burden on both the farmer and the Member State. Simplification is needed.

Amendment 19

Proposal for a regulation

Article 15 – paragraph 1 – point d

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(d) by 100 % for the amount exceeding EUR 100 000. **deleted**

Justification

Degression/capping of direct payments leads to odd incentives that do not support the structural development of farms. The degression of direct payments above 60 000 EUR would not only affect exceptionally large units, but medium-sized units that have looked to invest and grow as well. If implemented, the proposed ceilings in Article 15 could also create an incentive to divide farms in a way that cannot be considered appropriate. Calculating the salaries and related contributions would cause administrative burden on both the farmer and the Member State. Simplification is needed.

Amendment 20

Proposal for a regulation

Article 15 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

2. Before applying paragraph 1, Member States shall subtract from the amount of direct payments to be granted to a farmer pursuant to this Chapter in a given calendar year: **deleted**

(a) the salaries linked to an agricultural activity declared by the farmer, including taxes and social

contributions related to employment; and

(b) the equivalent cost of regular and unpaid labour linked to an agricultural activity practiced by persons working on the farm concerned who do not receive a salary, or who receive less remuneration than the amount normally paid for the services rendered, but are rewarded through the economic result of the farm business.

To calculate the amounts referred to in points a) and b), Member States shall use the average standard salaries linked to an agricultural activity at national or regional level multiplied by the number of annual work units declared by the farmer concerned.

Justification

The rapporteur welcomes the proposal made by the Commission as to the capping and redistribution of direct payments but fears that the possibility of deducting salary costs - including costs for unpaid labour - from the amount of direct payments considered for the capping, would limit the impact of the measure.

Offsetting salaries before capping is not justified as current payments are linked to historical activity that bears no linkage to current agricultural activity.

Amendment 21

Proposal for a regulation

Article 15 – paragraph 3 – subparagraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

The estimated product of the reduction of payments shall ***primarily*** be used to contribute to the financing of the complementary redistributive income support for sustainability ***and thereafter of other interventions belonging to decoupled direct payments.***

Amendment

The estimated product of the reduction of payments shall be used to contribute to the financing of the complementary redistributive income support for sustainability.

Justification

The product of capping from Pillar I should remain within Pillar I to be used as a

redistributive payment.

Amendment 22

Proposal for a regulation

Article 26 – paragraph 5 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

5 a. Member States shall compile reliable and comparable statistics on disposable farm income and consider income sources outside farming;

Justification

As stated by the European Court of Auditors, the data published on farmers' income are not enough to 'support the claim that farm households, taken as a whole, need significant support to achieve a fair standard of living'.

Amendment 23

Proposal for a regulation

Article 27 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

1. Member States **may** provide for complementary income support for young farmers under the conditions set out in this Article and as further specified in their CAP Strategic Plans.

1. Member States **shall** provide for complementary income support for young farmers **and new entrants** under the conditions set out in this Article and as further specified in their CAP Strategic Plans.

Amendment 24

Proposal for a regulation

Article 27 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

2. As part of their obligations to contribute to the specific objective 'attract young farmers and facilitate business development in rural areas' set out in point

2. As part of their obligations to contribute to the specific objective 'attract young farmers and facilitate business development in rural areas' set out in point

(g) of Article 6(1) and to dedicate at least 2% of their allocations for direct payments to this objective in accordance with Article 86(4), Member States **may** provide a complementary income support for young farmers who have newly set up for the first time and who are entitled to a payment under the basic income support as referred to in Article 17.

(g) of Article 6(1) and to dedicate at least 2% of their allocations for direct payments to this objective in accordance with Article 86(4), Member States **shall** provide a complementary income support for young farmers who have newly set up for the first time and who are entitled to a payment under the basic income support as referred to in Article 17.

Justification

As stated by the Court of Auditors, there is no possibility for a Member State to conclude that further efforts to promote generational renewal are unnecessary.

Amendment 25

Proposal for a regulation

Article 28 – paragraph 6 – point a

Text proposed by the Commission

(a) payments additional to the basic income support as set out in Subsection 2 of this Section; **or**

Amendment

(a) payments additional to the basic income support as set out in Subsection 2 of this Section;

Amendment 26

Proposal for a regulation

Article 43 – paragraph 1 – point d

Text proposed by the Commission

(d) integrated production;

Amendment

(d) **Agroforestry and** integrated production **systems**;

Justification

Agroforestry has many benefits in an integrated production system.

Amendment 27

Proposal for a regulation

Article 43 – paragraph 1 – point k

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(k) actions to increase sustainability and efficiency of transport and of storage of products of the fruit and vegetables sector;

(k) actions to increase sustainability and efficiency of transport ***by promoting short supply chains***, and of storage of products of the fruit and vegetables sector;

Amendment 28

Proposal for a regulation

Article 49 – paragraph 1 – point a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(aa) actions to enhance forage areas for pollinators;

Justification

Pollinators are vital for agriculture and are currently under threat.

Amendment 29

Proposal for a regulation

Article 50 – paragraph 1 – point b

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(b) a definition of a beehive and methods for calculating the number of beehives;

(b) a definition of a beehive and methods for calculating the number of beehives ***considered to be the equivalent of a livestock unit***;

Justification

Actions must be introduced to support and quantify Apiculture.

Amendment 30

Proposal for a regulation

Article 59 – paragraph 1 – point d

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(d) promoting, developing and implementing methods of production

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respectful of the environment, of animal welfare standards, pest resilient and environmentally sound cultivation practices, production techniques and production methods, environmentally sound use and management of by-products and waste, sustainable use of natural resources in particular protection of water, soil and other natural resources; those objectives relate to the specific objectives set out in points (e) and (f) of Article 6(1);

respectful of the environment, of animal welfare standards, pest resilient and environmentally sound cultivation practices ***including the incorporation of clovers and other nitrogen fixing crops***, production techniques and production methods, environmentally sound use and management of by-products and waste ***while respecting the "proximity principle"***, sustainable use of natural resources in particular protection of water, soil and other natural resources; those objectives relate to the specific objectives set out in points (e) and (f) of Article 6(1);

Justification

Nitrogen fixing crops have many benefits including reducing artificial N use and improving soil structure

Amendment 31

Proposal for a regulation

Article 59 – paragraph 1 – point h

Text proposed by the Commission

(h) ***crisis*** prevention ***and*** risk management, aimed at avoiding and dealing with crises in the markets within one or more sectors referred to in point (f) of Article 39; those objectives relate to the specific objectives set out in points (a), (b) and (c). Article 6(1).

Amendment

(h) ***proactive risk mitigation and prevention strategies coupled with*** risk management, aimed at avoiding and dealing with crises in the markets within one or more sectors referred to in point (f) of Article 39; those objectives relate to the specific objectives set out in points (a), (b) and (c). Article 6(1).

Justification

Risk mitigation and prevention can cost the farmer less should be on a par with risk management.

Amendment 32

Proposal for a regulation

Article 60 – paragraph 1 – point a – point i

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(i) soil conservation, including the enhancement of soil carbon;

(i) soil conservation **and rebuilding soil fertility and structure**, including the enhancement of soil carbon **sequestration capabilities**;

Justification

Proper soil structure leads to better soil fertility that reduces the need for artificial fertilizers.

Amendment 33

Proposal for a regulation

Article 64 – paragraph 1 – point a

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(a) environmental, climate **and** other management commitments;

(a) **encouraging** environmental **sustainability**, climate **mitigation and adaption measures including appropriate protection of wetlands and organic soils together with** other management commitments **beneficial to the environment**;

Justification

It is important that environmental protection is encouraged and measures to achieve this are adequately supported

Amendment 34

Proposal for a regulation

Article 64 – paragraph 1 – point c

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(c) Area-specific disadvantages resulting from certain mandatory requirements;

(c) Area-specific disadvantages resulting from certain mandatory requirements **including the implementation of Directives 92/43/ECC and 2009/147/EC**;

Justification

It is important to recognize the onerous commitments in complying the birds & habitats directives.

Amendment 35

Proposal for a regulation

Article 64 – paragraph 1 – point f

Text proposed by the Commission

(f) risk management tools;

Amendment

(f) **risk mitigation, prevention and** risk management tools;

Justification

Risk mitigation and prevention can cost the farmer less should be on a par with risk management

Amendment 36

Proposal for a regulation

Article 65 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

1. Member States may grant payments **for environmental**, climate and other management commitments under the conditions set out in this Article and as further specified in their CAP Strategic Plans.

Amendment

1. Member States may grant payments **to incentivise environmentally sustainable practices**, climate **mitigation and adaption measures** and other management commitments **beneficial to the environment** under the conditions set out in this Article and as further specified in their CAP Strategic Plans.

Justification

It is necessary to incentivise practices that have a cost implication for the farmer in implementing them.

Amendment 37

Proposal for a regulation

Article 65 – paragraph 6

Text proposed by the Commission

6. Member States shall compensate beneficiaries for costs incurred and income foregone resulting from the commitments made. Where necessary, they may also cover transaction costs. In duly justified cases, Member States may grant support as a flat-rate or as a one- off payment per unit. Payments shall be granted annually.

Amendment

6. Member States shall compensate beneficiaries for costs incurred and income foregone resulting from the commitments made. Where necessary, they may also cover transaction costs. In duly justified cases, Member States may grant ***advance payments to incentivise uptake in innovative measures***, support ***may be granted*** as a flat-rate or as a one- off payment per unit. Payments shall be granted annually.

Amendment 38

**Proposal for a regulation
Article 65 – paragraph 9**

Text proposed by the Commission

9. Where support under this type of interventions is granted to agri-environment-climate commitments, commitments to convert to or maintain organic farming practices and methods as defined in Regulation (EC) No 834/2007 and forest environmental and climate services, Member States shall establish a payment per hectare.

Amendment

9. Where support under this type of interventions is granted to agri-environment-climate commitments, commitments to convert to or maintain organic farming practices and methods as defined in Regulation (EC) No 834/2007 ***creation and regeneration of agroforestry systems***, and forest environmental and climate services, Member States shall establish a payment per hectare.

Justification

JRC and other studies have shown the high environmental and climate mitigation value of agroforestry and its importance is included in Recitals 5, 38, 39, 41. Yet “agroforestry” is not mentioned specifically in any of the Articles. The wording here is taken directly from Recital 39.

Amendment 39

**Proposal for a regulation
Article 66 – paragraph 3**

Text proposed by the Commission

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.

Amendment

3. ***Where member states identify in their CAP Strategic plans varying levels of constraint they may decide to differentiate the amount of support per hectare granted to beneficiaries; the compensation shall be proportional to the severity of the constraints identified.*** 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. ***Member States shall ensure that the relevant calculations are adequate, accurate and established in advance on the basis of a fair, equitable and verifiable calculation method.***

Justification

Varying levels or bands of payment should reflect the degree of disadvantage or constraint identified, the methodology to calculate this should be clear and transparent.

Amendment 40

**Proposal for a regulation
Article 66 – paragraph 4**

Text proposed by the Commission

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.

Amendment

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 method of calculation used shall transparent adequate and verifiable.***

Justification

Calculation on levels of payment should be clear and transparent and verifiable.

Amendment 41

Proposal for a regulation

Article 68 – paragraph 4 – subparagraph 2 – point a

Text proposed by the Commission

(a) afforestation and non-productive investments linked to the specific environmental- and climate-related objectives set out in points (d), (e) and (f) of Article 6(1);

Amendment

(a) ***establishment of agroforestry systems***, afforestation and non-productive investments linked to the specific environmental- and climate-related objectives set out in points (d), (e) and (f) of Article 6(1);

Justification

Agroforestry systems have many benefits for the environment and increasing farm resilience. Establishment and maintenance of agroforestry areas is not "afforestation" since the land normally remains as "agriculture" in the IACS/LPIS system. Costs for individual tree protection against animals can be high and inclusion of "agroforestry" in this article allows 100% of costs to be eligible for assistance.

Amendment 42

Proposal for a regulation

Article 70 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

1. Member States ***shall*** grant support for risk management tools under the conditions set out in this Article and as further specified in their CAP Strategic Plans.

Amendment

1. Member States ***may*** grant support for risk management tools under the conditions set out in this Article and as further specified in their CAP Strategic Plans, ***in addition risk mitigation strategies should be supported and encouraged which increase farm resilience and reduce exposure to income instability.***

Justification

Risk mitigation and the prevention of crisis situations developing should be encouraged and be on a par with risk management.

Amendment 43

Proposal for a regulation

Article 70 – paragraph 3 – point a a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(a a) financial contributions to measures which increase farm resilience, including but not limited to, crop diversification strategies and agroforestry systems;

Justification

Agroforestry systems and crop diversification strategies can increase farm resilience.

Amendment 44

Proposal for a regulation

Article 72 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

1. Member States may grant support for agricultural, forestry and rural business knowledge exchange and information under the conditions set out in this Article and as further specified in their CAP Strategic Plans.

1. Member States may grant support for agricultural, ***agroforestry***, forestry and rural business knowledge exchange and information under the conditions set out in this Article and as further specified in their CAP Strategic Plans.

Amendment 45

Proposal for a regulation

Article 73 – paragraph 1 – subparagraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

Member States ***may decide to not*** apply selection criteria for investment interventions clearly targeting environmental purposes or realised in connection with restoration activities.

Member States ***shall, in addition,*** apply selection criteria for investment interventions clearly targeting environmental purposes or realised in connection with restoration activities.

Justification

Environmental selection criteria must always be applied to ensure a level playing field.

Amendment 46

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 ***initiated*** 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.

Justification

In contrast to current period, the proposal would allow the financing of projects started before the application date. This would increase the risk of deadweight.

Amendment 47

Proposal for a regulation Article 87 – paragraph 2 – point a

Text proposed by the Commission

(a) ***40% for the expenditure under the Basic Income Support for Sustainability and the Complementary Income Support referred to in Title III, Chapter II, section II, subsections 2 and 3;***

Amendment

(a) ***100% for direct payment support for areas when farmers actually apply practices to mitigate climate change;***

Justification

Instead of using the weighting of 40 % for all direct payment support- that the Court finds unrealistic , a more reliable way to estimate the contribution would be to use this weighting only for direct payment support for areas where farmers actually apply practices to mitigate climate change (for example, protecting wetland and peatland).

Amendment 48

Proposal for a regulation Article 97 – paragraph 1 – point a

Text proposed by the Commission

(a) targets for each **relevant** common **and, where relevant**, CAP Strategic Plan specific result indicators and related milestones. The value of these targets shall be justified in view of the assessment of needs referred to in Article 96. As regards the specific objectives set out in points (d), (e), and (f) of Article 6(1), targets shall be derived from the elements of explanation given in points (a) and (b) of paragraph 2 of this Article;

Amendment

(a) **baseline and** targets for each common CAP Strategic Plan specific result **and impact** indicators and related milestones. The value of these targets shall be justified in view of the assessment of needs referred to in Article 96. As regards the specific objectives set out in points (d), (e), and (f) of Article 6(1), targets shall be derived from the elements of explanation given in points (a) and (b) of paragraph 2 of this Article;

Justification

In order to allow the Commission to assess the ambition of the targets, Member States should provide evidence of the baseline situation. The Commission would assess these targets and their justification in the course of approving the CAP strategic plans.

Amendment 49

Proposal for a regulation
Article 120 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

The Commission shall adopt implementing acts on the content of the performance framework. Such acts shall include the list of context indicators, other indicators needed for the appropriate monitoring and evaluation of the policy, the methods for the calculation of indicators and the necessary provisions to guarantee accuracy and reliability of the data collected by Member States. Those implementing acts shall be adopted in accordance with the examination procedure referred to in Article 139(2).

Amendment

The Commission shall adopt implementing acts on the content of the performance framework **after consultation of the European Court of Auditors**. Such acts shall include the list of context indicators, other indicators needed for the appropriate monitoring and evaluation of the policy, the methods for the calculation of indicators and the necessary provisions to guarantee accuracy and reliability of the data collected by Member States. Those implementing acts shall be adopted in accordance with the examination procedure referred to in Article 139(2).

Justification

As stated by the ECA, the Commission proposal does not contain the necessary elements of an effective performance system, and, in particular, a consistent set of output, result and impact indicators.

PROCEDURE – COMMITTEE ASKED FOR OPINION

Title	Establishing rules on support for strategic plans to be drawn up by Member States under the Common agricultural policy (CAP Strategic Plans) and financed by the European Agricultural Guarantee Fund (EAGF) and by the European Agricultural Fund for Rural Development (EAFRD)
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Members present for the final vote	Nedzhmi Ali, Inés Ayala Sender, Zigmantas Balčytis, Jonathan Bullock, Luke Ming Flanagan, Ingeborg Gräßle, Jean-François Jalkh, Bogusław Liberadzki, Georgi Pirinski, José Ignacio Salafranca Sánchez-Neyra, Claudia Schmidt, Bart Staes, Indrek Tarand, Derek Vaughan, Tomáš Zdechovský
Substitutes present for the final vote	Karin Kadenbach, Andrey Novakov, Miroslav Poche, Patricija Šulin

FINAL VOTE BY ROLL CALL IN COMMITTEE ASKED FOR OPINION

17	+
ALDE	Nedzhmi Ali
GUE/NGL	Luke Ming Flanagan
PPE	Ingeborg Gräßle, Andrey Novakov, José Ignacio Salafranca Sánchez-Neyra, Claudia Schmidt, Patricija Šulin, Tomáš Zdechovský
S&D	Inés Ayala Sender, Zigmantas Balčytis, Karin Kadenbach, Bogusław Liberadzki, Georgi Pirinski, Miroslav Poche, Derek Vaughan
VERTS/ALE	Bart Staes, Indrek Tarand

1	-
EFDD	Jonathan Bullock

1	0
ENF	Jean-François Jalkh

Key to symbols:

+ : in favour

- : against

0 : abstention

8.3.2019

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 establishing rules on support for strategic plans to be drawn up by Member States under the Common agricultural policy (CAP Strategic Plans) and financed by the European Agricultural Guarantee Fund (EAGF) and by the European Agricultural Fund for Rural Development (EAFRD) and repealing Regulation (EU) No 1305/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council and Regulation (EU) No 1307/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council
(COM(2018)0392 – C8-0248/2018 – 2018/0216(COD))

Rapporteur for opinion: Bronis Ropé

SHORT JUSTIFICATION

On 1 June 2018 the Commission presented the legislative proposals for the Common Agricultural Policy (CAP) beyond 2020. Of particular importance is the proposal establishing rules on support for strategic plans to be drawn up by Member States under the CAP and financed by the European Agricultural Guarantee Fund (EAGF) and by the European Agricultural Fund for Rural Development (EAFRD), the so-called “CAP Strategic Plan” proposal.

The REGI committee has appointed Mr Bronis Ropé as rapporteur for the REGI Opinion on this important dossier and Mr Ropé proposes the following key amendments to the Commission’s proposal:

1. A prominent role for the EAFRD inside the CAP: Budgetary allocations for EAFRD should not be cut, as the need for support continues to be high also in view of addressing existing and new challenges in rural areas. In addition, the EAFRD contribution rates should be higher and the EAFRD share for LEADER should be increased.

2. To maintain a close link between the EAFRD and Cohesion Policy (CP): The rapporteur stresses that the EAFRD contributes significantly to pursue economic and social cohesion, in particular in rural areas, and has an important territorial dimension. He, therefore, recommends continuing synchronising EAFRD spending with cohesion policy (CP), in view of facilitating integrated approaches in rural areas and simplifying procedures for beneficiaries, so that communities draw from different EU sources to optimise funding

opportunities and invest in rural areas. This link is needed in order to maximise synergies and complementarities between several funds under shared management. According to the rapporteur, this is essential in order to address the specific challenges faced by the EU rural areas. For this reason, the rapporteur proposes to make CP and the CAP Strategic Plan proposal more coherent with each other in terms of certain horizontal principles (e.g. partnership, sustainable development, non-discrimination) and territorial objectives.

3. To cancel the possibility to use the EAFRD delivered through InvestEU: the rapporteur is against the Commission's proposal allowing for the EAFRD to be delivered through InvestEU.

4. Climate action spending should be reinforced: According to the rapporteur climate action spending should represent at least 30% of the EU budget, in line with the Parliament's position, and certain funds should contribute more.

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 2

Text proposed by the Commission

(2) Since the CAP needs to sharpen its responses to *the* challenges and opportunities as they manifest themselves at Union, international, national, regional, local and farm levels, it is necessary to *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

Amendment

(2) Since the CAP needs to sharpen its responses to *growing* challenges *such as rising regional and social disparities and climate change* and opportunities as they manifest themselves at Union, international, national, regional, *rural*, local and farm levels, it is necessary to *improve* 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') *with funding also geared towards productivity and quality*, the Union should set the basic policy parameters, such as objectives of the CAP *including rural development* and basic requirements, while

into account local conditions and needs, tailoring the support to maximise the contribution to Union objectives.

Member States should bear greater responsibility as to how they meet **common** objectives and achieve **common EU, national and regional** 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. ***In order to ensure that a renationalisation of the CAP is avoided, a set of strong European Union provisions should be included which are designed to prevent the distortion of competition and ensure non-discriminatory treatment for all throughout the territory of the European Union.***

Amendment 2

Proposal for a regulation Recital 3

Text proposed by the Commission

(3) ***The use of common definitions entirely set at Union level has caused certain difficulties for Member States to cater their own specificities at national, regional, and local level.*** Member States should ***therefore*** be given the flexibility to specify certain definitions in their CAP Strategic Plan. In order to ensure a common level playing field, a certain framework has, however, to be set at Union level constituting the necessary ***essential*** elements to be included in those definitions ('framework definitions').

Amendment

(3) Member States should be given the flexibility to specify certain definitions in their CAP Strategic Plan. In order to ensure a common level playing field, a certain framework has, however, to be set at Union level constituting the necessary **common** elements to be included in those definitions ('framework definitions').

Amendment 3

Proposal for a regulation Recital 6

Text proposed by the Commission

(6) Synergies between the EAFRD and

Amendment

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Horizon Europe should encourage that the EAFRD makes the best use of research and innovation results, in particular those stemming from projects funded by Horizon Europe and the European Innovation Partnership (EIP) for ‘agricultural productivity and sustainability’, leading to innovations in the farming sector and rural areas.

Horizon Europe should encourage that the EAFRD makes the best use of research and innovation results, in particular those stemming from projects funded by Horizon Europe and the European Innovation Partnership (EIP) for ‘agricultural productivity and sustainability’, leading to innovations ***that have a positive impact*** in the farming sector and rural areas.

Amendment 4

Proposal for a regulation Recital 9

Text proposed by the Commission

(9) In view of further improving the performance of the CAP, income support should be targeted to genuine farmers. In order to ensure a common approach at Union level for such a targeting of support, a framework definition for ‘genuine farmer’ displaying the ***essential*** elements should be set out. On the basis of this framework, Member States should define in their CAP Strategic Plans which farmers are not considered genuine farmers based on conditions such as income tests, labour inputs on the farm, company object and inclusion in registers. ***It should also not result in precluding*** support to pluri-active farmers, who are actively farming but who are also engaged in non-agricultural activities outside their farm, as their multiple activities often strengthen the socio-economic fabric of rural areas.

Amendment

(9) In view of further improving the performance of the CAP, income support should be targeted to genuine farmers. In order to ensure a common approach at Union level for such a targeting of support, a framework definition for ‘genuine farmer’ displaying the ***common*** elements should be set out. On the basis of this framework, Member States should define in their CAP Strategic Plans which farmers are not considered genuine farmers based on conditions such as income tests, labour inputs on the farm, company object and inclusion in registers. Support to pluri-active farmers, who are actively farming but who are also engaged in non-agricultural activities outside their farm, ***should not be excluded***, as their multiple activities often strengthen the socio-economic fabric of rural areas. ***The framework definition must, in any event, help to preserve the model of family farming that exists in the European Union and must be based on a credible agricultural activity.***

Amendment 5

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 11

Text proposed by the Commission

(11) In order to ***give substance to*** the objectives of the CAP as established by Article 39 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union (TFEU), as well as to ensure that the Union adequately addresses its most recent challenges, it is appropriate to provide for a set of general objectives reflecting the orientations given in the Communication on ‘The Future of Food and Farming’. A set of specific objectives should be further defined at Union level and applied by the Member States in their CAP Strategic Plans. While striking a balance across the dimensions of sustainable development, in line with the impact assessment, these specific objectives should translate the general objectives of the CAP into more concrete priorities and take into account relevant Union legislation, particularly with regard to climate, energy and environment.

Amendment

(11) In order to ***pursue*** the objectives of the CAP as established by Article 39 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union (TFEU), as well as to ensure that the Union adequately addresses its most recent challenges, it is appropriate to provide for a set of general objectives reflecting the orientations given in the Communication on ‘The Future of Food and Farming’. ***Due attention should be paid to the effects of EU agriculture policy on third countries in view of promoting sustainable development both within and outside the Union.*** A set of specific objectives should be further defined at Union level and applied ***and pursued*** by the Member States in their CAP Strategic Plans. While striking a balance across the dimensions of sustainable development, in line with the impact assessment, these specific objectives should translate the general objectives of the CAP into more concrete priorities, ***with a focus on depopulated areas***, and take into account relevant Union legislation, particularly with regard to climate, ***wild and agro-biodiversity, water protection, public health, employment, renewable*** energy, ***animal welfare*** and environment.

Amendment 6

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 11 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(11a) The CAP must expressly take into consideration the European Union’s equality policy, paying particular attention to the need to boost the participation of women in the

development of the socio-economic fabric of rural areas. This Regulation should contribute to making women's work more visible, and therefore it should be taken into account within the specific objectives to be addressed by Member States in their strategic plans.

Amendment 7

Proposal for a regulation Recital 12

Text proposed by the Commission

(12) A smarter, modernised and more sustainable CAP needs to embrace research and innovation, in order to serve the multi-functionality of Union agriculture, forestry **and** food systems, investing in technological development and digitalisation, as well as improving the access to impartial, sound, relevant and new knowledge.

Amendment

(12) A smarter, modernised and more sustainable CAP needs to embrace research and innovation, in order to serve the multi-functionality of Union agriculture, forestry, food systems **and Smart Villages, by** investing in technological development and digitalisation, as well as improving the access to impartial, sound, relevant and new knowledge.

Amendment 8

Proposal for a regulation Recital 13 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(13a) Horizontal principles as set out in Article 3 of the Treaty on the European Union ('TEU') and in Article 10 of the TFEU, including principles of subsidiarity and proportionality as set out in Article 5 of the TEU should be respected in the implementation of CAP Strategic plans. Member States and the Commission should also respect the obligations of the UN Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities and ensure accessibility in line with its article 9 and in accordance with the Union law harmonising accessibility requirements for products and services. Member States

and the Commission should aim at eliminating inequalities and at promoting equality between men and women and integrating the gender perspective, as well as at combating discrimination based on sex, racial or ethnic origin, religion or belief, disability, age or sexual orientation. The Funds should not support actions that contribute to any form of segregation, discrimination or exclusion. The objectives of the Funds should be pursued in the framework of sustainable development and in line with the Aarhus Convention and the Union's promotion of the aim of preserving, protecting and improving the quality of the environment and combating climate change as set out in Article 11 and Article 191(1) of the TFEU, while applying the polluter pays principle.

Amendment 9

Proposal for a regulation Recital 13 ab (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(13b) The objectives of CAP Strategic plans should be linked to those set out in the European Pillar of Social Rights. In order to achieve a better and more sustainable future for all, it is necessary to focus support towards the overarching and internationally recognised 2030 Sustainable Development Agenda of the United Nations and to contribute to the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and their targets set by 2030. Member States should ensure consistency, coherence and synergies with the European Pillar of Social Rights and the Sustainable Development Goals, taking into account local challenges.

Amendment 10

Proposal for a regulation Recital 15

Text proposed by the Commission

(15) In the context of greater market-orientation of the CAP, as outlined by the Communication on ‘The Future of Food and Farming’, market exposure, climate change and associated frequency and severity of extreme weather events, as well as sanitary and phytosanitary crises, may lead to risks of price volatility and increasing pressures on incomes. Thus, although farmers are ultimately responsible for designing their on-farm strategies, a robust framework should be set up to ensure appropriate risk management. To this aim, Member States and farmers may be able to draw on a Union-level platform on risk management for capacity-building in order to provide farmers with adequate financial instruments for investments and access to working capital, training, knowledge transfer and advice.

Amendment

(15) In the context of greater market-orientation of the CAP, as outlined by the Communication on ‘The Future of Food and Farming’, market exposure, ***trade agreements with third countries***, climate change and associated frequency and severity of extreme weather events, as well as sanitary and phytosanitary crises, may lead to risks of price volatility and increasing pressures on incomes. ***Inequalities in the food chain, mainly at the expense of the primary sector, which is the weakest link, also have an adverse effect on producers’ incomes.*** Thus, although farmers are ultimately responsible for designing their on-farm strategies, a robust framework should be set up to ensure appropriate risk management. To this aim, Member States and farmers may be able to draw on a Union-level platform on risk management for capacity-building in order to provide farmers with adequate financial instruments for investments and access to working capital, training, knowledge transfer and advice.

Amendment 11

Proposal for a regulation Recital 16

Text proposed by the Commission

(16) Bolstering environmental care and climate action and contributing to the achievement of Union environmental- and climate-related objectives is a very high priority in the future of Union agriculture ***and*** forestry. The architecture of the CAP should therefore reflect greater ambition

Amendment

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with respect to these objectives. By virtue of the delivery model, action taken to tackle environmental degradation and climate change should be result-driven and Article 11 TFEU should, for this purpose, be considered as an obligation of result. As many rural areas in the Union suffer from structural problems such as lack of attractive employment opportunities, skill shortages, underinvestment in connectivity, infrastructures and essential services, as well as youth drain, it is fundamental to strengthen the socio-economic fabric in those areas, in line with the Cork 2.0. Declaration, particularly through job creation and generational renewal, by bringing the Commission's jobs and growth to rural areas, promoting social inclusion, generational renewal and the development of 'Smart Villages' across the European countryside. As indicated in the Communication on 'The Future of Food and Farming', new rural value chains such as renewable energy, the emerging bio-economy, the circular economy, and ecotourism can offer good growth and job potential for rural areas. In this context, financial instruments **and the use of the InvestEU guarantee can play a crucial role** for ensuring access to financing and for bolstering the growth capacity of farms and enterprises. There is a potential for employment opportunities in rural areas for legally staying third country nationals, promoting their social and economic integration especially in the framework of Community-led Local Development strategies.

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Amendment 12

Proposal for a regulation Recital 19 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(19 a) Member States should refrain from adding rules that complicate the use of EAGF and EAFRD for the beneficiary.

Amendment 13

Proposal for a regulation Recital 21

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(21) Building on the previous system of cross-compliance implemented until 2020, the system of new conditionality links full receipt of CAP support to the compliance by beneficiaries of basic standards concerning the environment, climate change, public health, animal health, plant health and animal welfare. The basic standards encompass in a streamlined form a list of statutory management requirements (SMRs) and standards of good agricultural and environmental conditions of land (GAECs). These basic standards should better take into account the environmental and climate challenges and the new environmental architecture of the CAP, thus delivering a higher level of environmental and climate ambition as the Commission announced in its Communications on the ‘Future of Food and Farming’ and the Multiannual Financial Framework (MFF). Conditionality aims to contribute to the development of sustainable agriculture through better awareness on the part of beneficiaries of the need to respect those basic standards. It also aims to make the

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CAP more compatible with the expectations of society through improving consistency of the policy with the environment, public health, animal health, plant health and animal welfare objectives. Conditionality should form an integral part of the environmental architecture of the CAP, as part of the baseline for more ambitious environmental and climate commitments, and should be comprehensively applied across the Union. For those farmers who do not comply with those requirements, Member States should ensure that proportionate, effective and dissuasive penalties are applied in accordance with [the HZR Regulation].

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Amendment 14

Proposal for a regulation

Recital 30

Text proposed by the Commission

(30) The creation and development of new economic activity in the agricultural sector by young farmers is financially challenging and constitutes an element that should be considered in the allocation and targeting of direct payments. This development is essential for the competitiveness of the agricultural sector in the Union and, for this reason, Member States may establish a complementary income support for young farmers. ***This type of interventions should be established to provide young farmers with an additional income support after the initial setting up.***

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Amendment 15

Proposal for a regulation Recital 30 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(30a) In view of the marked ageing of the agricultural population, which threatens to accentuate rural depopulation, and given the urgent need to incentivize new farmers to join the sector, it is reasonable at the present time to permit Member States the option of increasing, from 40 to 45, the age limit as the main eligibility requirement for specific support for young farmers, provided that this is necessary pursuant to an analysis of strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and threats (SWOT analysis).

Amendment 16

Proposal for a regulation Recital 32

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(32) Member States should be allowed to use part of their financial ceiling available for direct payments for coupled income support in order to improve competitiveness, sustainability, ***and/or*** quality in certain sectors and productions that are particularly important for social, economic or environmental reasons and undergo certain difficulties. Furthermore, Member States should also be allowed to use an additional part of their financial ceiling available for direct payments to grant coupled income support specifically for the support of protein crop production in order to reduce the Union's deficit in this regard.

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their financial ceiling available for direct payments to grant coupled income support specifically for the support of protein crop production in order to reduce the Union's deficit in this regard.

Justification

In some Member States, it appears that without coupled income support, farmers are leaving the livestock and special crops production sectors and moving towards the economically most profitable crops, such as cereals or rapeseed. In order to encourage the production of special crops and livestock and have a positive impact on employment and the environment, coupled income support will continue to apply and funding for this support should be increased.

Amendment 17

Proposal for a regulation

Recital 37

Text proposed by the Commission

(37) For interventions for rural development, principles are defined at Union level, particularly with regard to the basic requirements for the Member States to apply selection criteria. However, Member States should have ample discretion to define specific conditions according to their needs. Types of interventions for rural development include payments for environmental, climate and other management commitments that Member States should support throughout their territories, in accordance with their national, regional or local specific needs. Member States should grant payments to farmers and other land managers who undertake, on a voluntary basis, management commitments that contribute to climate change mitigation and adaptation and to the protection and improvement of the environment including water quality and quantity, air quality, soil, biodiversity and ecosystem services including voluntary commitments in Natura 2000 and support for genetic diversity. Support under payments for management commitments may also be

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Amendment 18

Proposal for a regulation Recital 39

Text proposed by the Commission

(39) Forestry measures should contribute to the implementation of the Union Forest Strategy, and be based on Member States' national or sub-national forest programs or equivalent instruments, which should build on the commitments stemming from the Regulation on the inclusion of greenhouse gas emission and removals from land use, land use energy and forestry [LULUCF Regulation] and those made in the Ministerial Conferences on the Protection of Forests in Europe. Interventions should be based on forest management plans or equivalent instruments and may comprise forest area development and sustainable management of forests, including the afforestation of land and the creation and regeneration of agroforestry systems; the protection, restoration and improvement of forest resources, taking into account adaptation needs; investments to guarantee and enhance forest conservation and resilience, and the provision of forest ecosystem and climate services; and measures and investments in support of the renewable energy and bio-economy.

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Amendment 19

Proposal for a regulation

Recital 40

Text proposed by the Commission

(40) In order to ensure a fair income and a resilient agricultural sector across the Union territory, Member States may grant support to farmers in areas facing natural and other area-specific constraints. As regards payments for ANC, the designation of the 2014-2020 Rural Development policy should continue to apply. For the CAP to deliver enhanced Union added on the environment and reinforce its synergies with the financing of investments in nature and biodiversity, it is necessary to keep a separate measure aiming at compensating beneficiaries for disadvantages related to the implementation of Natura 2000 and Water Framework Directives. Support should therefore continue to be granted to farmers and forest holders to help address specific disadvantages resulting from the implementation of Directive 2009/147/EC and Directive 92/43/EEC and in order to contribute to the effective management of Natura 2000 sites. Support should also be made available to farmers to help address disadvantages in river basin areas resulting from the implementation of the Water Framework Directive. Support should be linked to specific requirements described in the CAP Strategic Plans that go beyond relevant mandatory standards and requirements. Member States should also ensure that payments to farmers do not lead to double funding with eco schemes. Furthermore, the specific needs of Natura 2000 areas should be taken into account by Member States in the overall design of their CAP Strategic Plans.

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Amendment 20

Proposal for a regulation Recital 42

Text proposed by the Commission

(42) In the light of the need to fill the investment gap in the Union agricultural sector and improve access to financial instruments for priority groups, notably young farmers and new entrants with higher risk profiles, ***use of the InvestEU guarantee and combination*** of grants and financial instruments should be ***encouraged***. Since the use of financial instruments across Member States varies considerably as a result of differences in terms of access to finance, banking sector development, presence of risk capital, familiarity of public administrations and potential range of beneficiaries, Member States should establish in the CAP Strategic Plan appropriate targets, beneficiaries and preferential conditions, and other possible eligibility rules.

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Amendment 21

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 43

Text proposed by the Commission

(43) Young farmers and new entrants still face significant barriers regarding access to land, high prices and access to credit. Their businesses are more threatened by price volatility (for both inputs and produce) and their needs in terms of training in entrepreneurial and risk management skills are high. It is therefore essential to continue the support for the setting up of new businesses and new farms. Member States should provide for a strategic approach and identify a clear and coherent set of interventions for generational renewal under the specific objective dedicated to this issue. To this aim, Member States may set in their CAP

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Strategic Plans preferential conditions for financial instruments for young farmers and new entrants, and should include in their CAP Strategic Plan the ring-fencing of at least an amount corresponding to 2% of the annual direct payments' envelope. An increase of the maximum amount of aid for the installation of young farmers **and** rural business start-ups, up to EUR 100.000, which can be accessed also through or in combination with financial instrument form of support, should be established.

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Amendment 22

Proposal for a regulation Recital 45

Text proposed by the Commission

(45) Support should enable the establishment and implementation of cooperation between at least two entities in view of achieving CAP objectives. Support can entail all aspects of such cooperation, such as the setting up of quality schemes; collective environmental and climate action; the promotion of short supply chain and local markets; pilot projects; Operational Group projects within the EIP for agricultural productivity and sustainability local development projects, Smart Villages, buyers' clubs and machinery rings; farm partnerships; forest management plans; networks and clusters; social farming; community supported agriculture; actions within the scope of LEADER; and the setting up of producer groups and producer organisations, as well as other forms of cooperation deemed necessary to achieve the specific objectives of the CAP.

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Amendment 23

Proposal for a regulation Recital 45 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(45a) In order to ensure effectiveness of projects initiated by the local communities, as well as the efficient use of allocated funding, Member States should establish in the financial rules that expenses for financial and administrative management of operations, implemented by the local rural communities and other similar local actors with a view to pursuing strategies referred to in Article 25(2)(c) of Regulation (EU) [CPR], are acknowledged as eligible for EU funding.

Amendment 24

Proposal for a regulation Recital 45 b (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(45b) In order to concretely promote digitalisation and innovation, facilitate business development, social inclusion and employment in rural areas, as well as the development of smart and sustainable energy supply in rural areas, Member States should develop and implement the Smart Villages Strategies within their CAP Strategic Plans. For more efficient use of all structural funds, involved in rural areas (EAFRD, ERDF, ESF+ and EMFF), this strategy should be executed through the Community-led local development as set in the Regulation (EU) ... [new CPR]. For this reason the financial support of EAFRD for modernisation strategies, including the Smart Villages Strategy as set in the CAP Strategic Plan of the Member State, should be set at at least 5% of the EAFRD funds.

Justification

Smart Villages should be at the forefront of the future of rural development, therefore sufficient EAFRD resources should be allocated for development and implementation of Smart Villages Strategies within the CAP Strategic Plans of MS. Resources from other structural funds should also be provided for this purpose, as this would help keep EU rural areas vital.

Amendment 25

Proposal for a regulation

Recital 46

Text proposed by the Commission

(46) The Communication on ‘The Future of Food and Farming’ mentions the exchange of knowledge and focus on innovation as a cross cutting objective for the new CAP. The CAP should continue to support the interactive innovation model, which enhances the collaboration between actors to make best use of complementary types of knowledge with a view to spreading practical solutions. Farm advisory services should be strengthened within the AKIS. The CAP Strategic Plan should provide information on how advisory services, research and rural networks will work together. Each Member State or region, as appropriate, can fund a number of actions aimed at knowledge exchange and innovation, using the types of interventions developed in this Regulation.

Amendment

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Amendment 26

Proposal for a regulation

Recital 48

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(48) Support for direct payments under the CAP Strategic Plans should be granted within national allocations to be fixed by this Regulation. These national allocations should reflect a continuation of the changes whereby the allocations to Member States with the lowest support level per hectare are gradually increased to close **50%** of the gap towards **90% of** the Union average. In order to take into account the reduction of payments' mechanism and the use of its product in the Member State, the total indicative financial allocations per year in the CAP Strategic Plan of a Member State should be allowed to exceed the national allocation.

(48) ***It is essential to point out that the convergence process should be gradually completed as soon as possible in order both to ensure fair competition among Member States and to underpin the principle of equality on an EU-wide basis.*** Support for direct payments under the CAP Strategic Plans should be granted within national allocations to be fixed by this Regulation. These national allocations should reflect a continuation of the changes whereby the allocations to Member States with the lowest support level per hectare are gradually increased to close the gap towards the Union average. In order to take into account the reduction of payments' mechanism and the use of its product in the Member State, the total indicative financial allocations per year in the CAP Strategic Plan of a Member State should be allowed to exceed the national allocation.

Amendment 27

Proposal for a regulation Recital 49 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(49a) Objective criteria should be established for categorising regions and areas at Union level for support from the EAFRD. To this end, the identification of the regions and areas at Union level should be based on the common system of classification of the regions established by Regulation (EC) No 1059/2003 of the European Parliament and the Council, as amended by Commission Regulation (EU) No 2016/2066^{1a}. Latest classifications and data should be used to ensure adequate support, in particular for addressing lagging behind regions and interregional disparities inside a Member State.

***1^a Commission Regulation (EU)
No2016/2066 of 21 November 2016
amending the annexes to Regulation (EC)
No1059/2003 of the European Parliament
and of the Council on the establishment
of a common classification of territorial
units for statistics (NUTS), (OJ L L 322,
29.11.2016, p. 1–61***

Amendment 28

Proposal for a regulation Recital 52

Text proposed by the Commission

(52) Reflecting the importance of tackling climate change in line with the Union's commitments to implement the Paris Agreement and the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals, this Program will contribute to mainstream climate action in the Union's policies and to the achievement of an overall target of **25%** of the EU budget expenditures supporting climate objectives. Actions under the CAP are expected to contribute 40 % of the overall financial envelope of the CAP to climate objectives. Relevant actions will be identified during the Program's preparation and implementation, and reassessed in the context of the relevant evaluations and review processes.

Amendment

(52) Reflecting the importance ***and urgency*** of tackling climate change in line with the Union's commitments to implement the Paris Agreement and the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals, this Program will contribute to mainstream climate action in the Union's policies, ***to reach the reduction of CO2 emissions by 45 percent by 2030 compared to 2010 and net-zero emissions by 2050*** and to the achievement of an overall target of ***at least 30%*** of the EU budget expenditures supporting climate objectives. Actions under the CAP are expected to contribute 40 % of the overall financial envelope of the CAP to climate objectives. Relevant actions will be identified during the Program's preparation and implementation, and reassessed in the context of the relevant evaluations and review processes.

Amendment 29

Proposal for a regulation Recital 55

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(55) In order to ensure a clear strategic nature of these CAP Strategic Plans, and to facilitate the links with other Union policies, and notably with established long-term national targets deriving from Union legislation or international agreements such as those related to climate change, forests, biodiversity, and water, it is appropriate that there should be one single CAP Strategic Plan per Member State.

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Taking due account of the administrative structure of the Member States, the Strategic Plan should, where appropriate, include regionalised measures for rural development.

Amendment 30

Proposal for a regulation Recital 60

Text proposed by the Commission

(60) Considering that flexibility should be accorded to Member States as regards the choice of delegating part of the implementation of the CAP Strategic Plan at regional level ***on the basis of*** a national framework, in order to facilitate co-ordination among the regions in addressing nation-wide challenges, it is appropriate that the CAP Strategic Plans provide a description of the interplay between national and regional interventions.

Amendment

(60) Considering that flexibility should be accorded to Member States as regards the choice of delegating part of the ***design and*** implementation of the CAP Strategic Plan at regional level ***through Regional Intervention Programmes in line with the*** national framework, in order to facilitate co-ordination among the regions in addressing nation-wide challenges, it is appropriate that the CAP Strategic Plans provide a description of the interplay between national and regional interventions, ***whereas identification of the regions in the Member States should be based on the common system of classification of the regions established by Regulation (EC) No 1059/2003 of the European Parliament and the Council , as amended by Commission Regulation (EU) No2016/2066.***

Amendment 31

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 64

Text proposed by the Commission

(64) In view of the concerns related to administrative burden under shared management, simplification should also be subject to a specific attention in the CAP Strategic Plan.

Amendment

(64) In view of the concerns related to administrative burden under shared management, simplification, ***both at Union and Member State level***, should also be subject to a specific attention in the CAP Strategic Plan. ***The Commission should assist Member States in order to avoid a disproportionate administrative burden on them.***

Amendment 32

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 71

Text proposed by the Commission

(71) The EAFRD should support through technical assistance, at the initiative of the Commission, actions relating to the fulfilment of the tasks referred to in [Article 7 HzR]. Technical assistance may also be provided, at the initiative of Member States, for the purpose of the fulfilment of the tasks necessary for the effective administration and implementation of support in relation to the CAP Strategic Plan. An increase of the technical assistance at the initiative of Member States is only available for Malta.

Amendment

(71) The EAFRD should support through technical assistance, at the initiative of the Commission, actions relating to the fulfilment of the tasks referred to in [Article 7 HzR]. Technical assistance may also be provided, at the initiative of Member States, for the purpose of the fulfilment of the tasks necessary for the effective administration and implementation of support in relation to the CAP Strategic Plan. ***The overall amount for the support from EAFRD for technical assistance should be increased to 5 % of the financial allocation for EAFRD.*** An increase of the technical assistance at the initiative of Member States is only available for Malta.

Amendment 33

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 73 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(73a) The Court of Auditors, in its opinion No 7/2018 from 25.10.2018, sets out that moving towards a performance-based system requires the identification of needs based on solid evidence together with the requirement for Member States to compile reliable and comparable statistics. Clear, specific and quantified EU objectives for which achievement could be measured should be underpinned by a fully developed set of meaningful output, result and impact indicators.

Amendment 34

**Proposal for a regulation
Recital 75 a (new)**

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(75a) A performance-based delivery model including performance-based assessment should not remove the need to check legality and regularity of expenditure.

Amendment 35

**Proposal for a regulation
Recital 92 a (new)**

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(92a) The European Union's island regions face specific difficulties in carrying out agricultural activities and developing rural areas. It is advisable to conduct an impact assessment of the Common Agricultural Policy in these regions, with a view to adapting the strategic plans that take into account their special features.

Amendment 36

Proposal for a regulation

Article 1 – paragraph 1 – point c

Text proposed by the Commission

(c) CAP Strategic Plans to be drawn up by Member States, setting targets, defining interventions and allocating financial resources, in line with the specific objectives and identified needs;

Amendment

(c) CAP Strategic Plans to be drawn up by Member States, ***where applicable together with the regions***, setting targets, defining interventions and allocating financial resources, in line with the specific objectives and identified needs;

Amendment 37

Proposal for a regulation

Article 2 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

2. ***Chapter III of Title II***, Chapter II of Title III ***and*** Articles 41 ***and 43*** of Regulation (EU) [CPR] of the European Parliament and of the Council²⁶ shall apply to support financed by the EAFRD under this Regulation.

Amendment

2. Chapter II of Title III, Articles 41, ***43 and 60*** of Regulation (EU) [CPR] of the European Parliament and of the Council²⁶ shall apply to support financed by the EAFRD under this Regulation.

²⁶ Regulation (EU) [...] of the European Parliament and of the Council of [date] [full title] (OJ L).

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Amendment 38

Proposal for a regulation

Article 3 – paragraph 1 – point j a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(ja) 'environment and biodiversity proofing' means a structured process of ensuring the effective application of tools to avoid harmful impacts of EU spending and to maximise its benefits on the state of the EU's environment and biodiversity,

based on the Commission's "Common Framework for Biodiversity Proofing of the EU Budget", and in accordance with national rules and guidance, where available, or internationally recognised standards;

Amendment 39

Proposal for a regulation

Article 3 – paragraph 1 – point j b (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(jb) 'climate proofing' means a process to ensure that infrastructure is resilient to the adverse impacts of the climate in accordance with national rules and guidance, where available, or internationally recognised standards;

Amendment 40

Proposal for a regulation

Article 3 – paragraph 1 – point j c (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(jc) 'urban farming' means an agricultural activity in an urban area.

Amendment 41

Proposal for a regulation

Article 4 – paragraph 1 – introductory part

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

1. Member States shall provide in their CAP Strategic Plan the definitions of agricultural activity, agricultural area, eligible hectare, genuine farmer and young

1. Member States, *where appropriate in collaboration with the regions*, shall *at least* provide in their CAP Strategic Plan the definitions of agricultural activity, agricultural area, eligible hectare, genuine

farmer:

farmer and young **and new** farmer **on the following basis**:

Amendment 42

Proposal for a regulation

Article 4 – paragraph 1 – point b – point iii

Text proposed by the Commission

(iii) 'permanent grassland and permanent pasture' (together referred to as 'permanent grassland') shall be land not included in the crop rotation of the holding for five years or more, used to grow grasses or other herbaceous forage naturally (self-seeded) or through cultivation (sown). ***It may include other species such as shrubs*** and/or trees which can be grazed or produce ***animal*** feed;

Amendment

(iii) 'permanent grassland and permanent pasture' (together referred to as 'permanent grassland') shall be land not included in the crop rotation of the holding for five years or more, ***and, where Member States so decide, that has not been tilled for at least five years; and that is*** used to grow grasses or other herbaceous forage naturally (self-seeded) or through cultivation (sown) ***including silvopastoral systems with bushes*** and/or trees which can be grazed or produce ***livestock*** feed;

Amendment 43

Proposal for a regulation

Article 4 – paragraph 1 – point c – introductory part

Text proposed by the Commission

(c) for the purpose of types of interventions in the form of direct payments, 'eligible hectare' shall be defined in a way that it includes any agricultural area of the holding:

Amendment

(c) for the purpose of types of interventions in the form of direct payments, 'eligible hectare' shall be defined in a way that it includes any agricultural area of the holding ***and endows proper rights of use***:

Amendment 44

Proposal for a regulation

Article 4 – paragraph 1 – point c – subparagraph 1 – point ii – indent 3 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

- *for the purpose of applying 'eligible hectare' to urban farming, the surface to be considered shall be calculated on the basis of the equivalent surface to produce the average annual volume for the crops in question;*

Amendment 45

Proposal for a regulation

Article 4 – paragraph 1 – point d

Text proposed by the Commission

(d) 'genuine farmers' shall be defined in a way to ensure that no support is granted to those whose agricultural activity forms only an insignificant part of their overall economic activities or whose principal business activity is not agricultural, while not precluding from support pluri-active farmers. The definition shall allow to determine which farmers are not considered genuine farmers, based on conditions such as income tests, labour inputs on the farm, *company object and/or inclusion in registers*.

Amendment

(d) 'genuine farmers' shall be defined *by Member States* in a way to ensure that no support is granted to those whose agricultural activity forms only an insignificant part of their overall economic activities or whose principal business activity is not agricultural, while not precluding from support pluri-active farmers. The definition shall allow to determine which farmers are not considered genuine farmers, based on *certain* conditions such as income tests *or* labour inputs on the farm.

Amendment 46

Proposal for a regulation

Article 4 – paragraph 1 – point e a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(ea) *'new farmer' shall be defined in such a way that it includes:*

(i) *the conditions for being 'head of the holding';*

(ii) *the appropriate training and/or skills.*

Amendment 47

Proposal for a regulation

Article 4 – paragraph 1 – subparagraph 1 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

The definition of 'new farmer' shall exclude those meeting the definition in point (e).

Amendment 48

Proposal for a regulation

Article 5 – paragraph 1 – introductory part

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

Support from the EAGF and EAFRD shall aim to further improve the sustainable development of farming, food and rural areas and shall contribute to achieving the following general objectives:

Support from the EAGF and EAFRD shall aim to further improve the sustainable development of farming, food ***production*** and rural areas, ***in line with relevant Treaty objectives***, and shall contribute to achieving the following general objectives:

Amendment 49

Proposal for a regulation

Article 5 – paragraph 1 – point a

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(a) to foster a smart, resilient and diversified agricultural sector ensuring food security;

(a) to foster a smart, resilient and diversified agricultural sector ensuring ***sustainable, decentralized and long-term*** food security ***and food safety, avoiding overproduction***;

Amendment 50

Proposal for a regulation

Article 5 – paragraph 1 – point b

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(b) to bolster environmental care and climate action and to contribute to the

(b) to bolster environmental care, ***biodiversity*** and climate action and to

environmental- and climate-related objectives of the Union;

contribute to the environmental- and climate-related objectives of the Union;

Amendment 51

Proposal for a regulation

Article 5 – paragraph 1 – point c

Text proposed by the Commission

(c) to ***strengthen the socio-economic fabric*** of rural ***areas***.

Amendment

(c) to ***strive for a balanced territorial development*** of rural ***economies and communities including the creation and maintenance of employment by placing emphasis on pursuing a fair standard of living and on preventing rural depopulation***;

Amendment 52

Proposal for a regulation

Article 5 – paragraph 1 – point c a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(ca) ***boosting the attractiveness of the rural environment***.

Amendment 53

Proposal for a regulation

Article 6 – paragraph 1 – point a

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(a) support viable farm income and resilience across the Union to enhance food security;

(a) support viable farm income and resilience across the Union, ***reversing the trend of loss of farmers and farming structures*** to enhance ***long-term*** food security ***and ensure high quality feed and food supplies***;

Amendment 54

Proposal for a regulation
Article 6 – paragraph 1 – point a a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(aa) gradually achieve full external convergence among the Member States;

Amendment 55

Proposal for a regulation
Article 6 – paragraph 1 – point b

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(b) enhance market orientation and increase competitiveness, including greater focus on research, **technology** and digitalisation;

(b) enhance market orientation **to different markets including local and regional ones**, and increase competitiveness, including greater focus on research, **dissemination of sustainable forms of productions, techniques, tools** and digitalisation **as well as improved access to cutting edge technology**;

Amendment 56

Proposal for a regulation
Article 6 – paragraph 1 – point d

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(d) contribute to climate change mitigation and adaptation, **as well as sustainable energy**;

(d) contribute to **reducing greenhouse gases**, climate change mitigation and adaptation;

Amendment 57

Proposal for a regulation
Article 6 – paragraph 1 – point e

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(e) foster sustainable development and efficient management of natural resources

(e) foster sustainable development and efficient management, **protection and enhancement** of natural resources such as

such as water, soil and air;

water, soil and air;

Amendment 58

Proposal for a regulation

Article 6 – paragraph 1 – point f

Text proposed by the Commission

(f) contribute to the protection of biodiversity, enhance ecosystem services and preserve habitats and landscapes;

Amendment

(f) contribute to the protection of biodiversity, enhance ecosystem services, ***especially soil***, and preserve habitats and landscapes;

Amendment 59

Proposal for a regulation

Article 6 – paragraph 1 – point g

Text proposed by the Commission

(g) attract young farmers and facilitate business development in rural areas;

Amendment

(g) ***improve generational renewal and*** attract young ***and new*** farmers and facilitate business development in rural areas;

Amendment 60

Proposal for a regulation

Article 6 – paragraph 1 – point g a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(ga) support equal opportunities in rural areas through specific measures to support and recognise women's work in agriculture, livestock farming, crafts, tourism and local services in rural areas;

Amendment 61

Proposal for a regulation

Article 6 – paragraph 1 – point h

Text proposed by the Commission

(h) promote employment, growth, social inclusion and local development in rural areas, including bio-economy and sustainable forestry;

Amendment

(h) promote ***decent*** employment, ***diversification of activities***, growth, social inclusion and local development in rural areas, including bio-economy and sustainable forestry;

Amendment 62

Proposal for a regulation

Article 6 – paragraph 1 – point i a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(ia) ***reduce poverty and exclusion in rural areas;***

Amendment 63

Proposal for a regulation

Article 6 – paragraph 1 – point i b (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(ib) ***improve basic rural services and infrastructures;***

Amendment 64

Proposal for a regulation

Article 6 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

2. ***When pursuing*** the specific objectives Member States shall ensure ***simplification and performance*** of the CAP support.

2. ***With a view to achieving*** the specific objectives, ***the Commission and*** Member States shall ensure ***that the administrative burden*** of the CAP support ***is reduced as far as possible.***

Amendment 65

Proposal for a regulation

Article 7 – paragraph 1 – subparagraph 2 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

Member States shall be able to add to the output indicators and result indicators laid down in Annex I by breaking them down into more detail, with the aim of adjusting them to the particular features of their national and regional strategic plans.

Amendment 66

Proposal for a regulation

Article 7 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

2. The Commission is empowered to adopt delegated acts in accordance with Article 138 amending Annex I to adapt the common output, result and impact indicators to take into account the experience with their application and, where needed, to add new indicators.

deleted

Justification

Indicators should be simple, proportional and relevant to the CAP-targets. The achieved policy result indicators should be clear for Member States from the moment the regulation is agreed upon. Amending them through delegated acts is not cost-efficient nor in line with the subsidiarity principle.

Amendment 67

Proposal for a regulation

Article 8 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

Member States shall pursue the objectives set out in Title II by specifying interventions based on the types of interventions set out in Chapters II, III and

Member States ***and, where appropriate, the regions*** shall pursue the objectives set out in Title II by specifying interventions based on the types of interventions set out

IV of this Title in accordance with the common requirements set out in this Chapter.

in Chapters II, III and IV of this Title in accordance with the common requirements set out in this Chapter. ***The regions shall be able to specify the interventions set out in Chapter IV under the Regional Intervention Programmes set out in Article 95a.***

Amendment 68

Proposal for a regulation Article 9 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

Member States shall design the interventions of their CAP Strategic Plans in accordance with the Charter of Fundamental Rights of the European Union and the general principles of Union law.

Amendment

Member States, ***where applicable in collaboration with the regions***, shall design the interventions of their CAP Strategic Plans in accordance with the Charter of Fundamental Rights of the European Union and the general principles of Union law.

Amendment 69

Proposal for a regulation Article 9 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

Article 9 a

Promotion of equality between men and women and non-discrimination

The Member States and the Commission shall ensure that equality between men and women and the integration of gender perspective are taken into account and promoted throughout the preparation and implementation of CAP strategic plans, including in relation to monitoring, reporting and evaluation. The Member States and the Commission shall take appropriate steps to prevent any discrimination based on sex, racial or ethnic origin, religion or belief, disability,

age or sexual orientation during the preparation and implementation of CAP strategic plans. In particular, accessibility for persons with disabilities shall be taken into account throughout the preparation and implementation of CAP strategic plans.

Amendment 70

Proposal for a regulation Article 9 b (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

Article 9 b

Sustainable development

The objectives of the CAP strategic plans shall be pursued in line with the principle of sustainable development and with the Union promotion of the aim of preserving, protecting and improving the quality of the environment, as set out in Article 11 and Article 191(1) TFEU, taking into account the polluter pays principle. The Member States and the Commission shall ensure that environmental protection requirements, resource efficiency, climate change mitigation and adaptation, biodiversity, disaster resilience, and risk prevention and management are promoted in the preparation and implementation of CAP specific objectives. Interventions shall be planned and carried out in accordance with the principle of policy coherence for development as set out in Article 208 TFEU.

Amendment 71

Proposal for a regulation Article 11 – paragraph 1 – point a

Text proposed by the Commission

- (a) the climate and the environment;

Amendment

- (a) the climate, **biodiversity** and the environment;

Amendment 72

Proposal for a regulation

Article 11 – paragraph 1 – point c a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

- (ca) **respect for the social rights of agricultural employees.**

Amendment 73

Proposal for a regulation

Article 12 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

1. Member States shall ensure that all agricultural areas including land which is no longer used for production purposes, is maintained in good agricultural and environmental condition. **Member States shall define, at national or regional level, minimum standards for beneficiaries for good agricultural and environmental condition of land in line with the main objective of the standards as referred to in Annex III, taking into account the specific characteristics of the areas concerned, including soil and climatic condition, existing farming systems, land use, crop rotation, farming practices, and farm structures.**

1. Member States shall ensure that all agricultural areas including land which is no longer used for production purposes, is maintained in good agricultural and environmental condition. **With that aim in mind, they shall, in particular, seek to establish minimum standards at national, regional - and where appropriate, sub-regional - level for beneficiaries for good agricultural and environmental condition of land in line with the main objective of the standards as referred to in Annex III, taking into account the specific soil and climate conditions and characteristics of the areas concerned, such as existing farming systems, land use, crop rotation, farming practices, and farm structures.**

Amendment 74

Proposal for a regulation
Article 13 – paragraph 4 – point f a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(fa) establishment of, and support for the development of, producers' organisations.

Amendment 75

Proposal for a regulation
Article 13 – paragraph 4 – point f b (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(fb) farm diversification and the development of decentralized food and farming supply chains.

Amendment 76

Proposal for a regulation
Article 13 – paragraph 4 – point f c (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(fc) the Farm Sustainability Tool for Nutrients. The tool should provide at least for the following elements and functionalities:

a) Elements

– Relevant farm information based on LPIS and IACS;

– Information from the soil sampling, on an appropriate spatial and temporal scale;

– Information on relevant management practices, crop history and yield goals;

– Indications regarding legal limits and requirements relevant to farm nutrients management;

– *A complete nutrient budget.*

b) Functionalities

– *Automatic integration of data from various sources (LPIS and IACS, farmer-generated data, soil analyses, etc.) as far as possible, to avoid data input duplication for farmers;*

– *Two-way communication between PA/MAs and farmers allowed;*

– *Modularity and possibility to support further sustainability objectives (e.g. emissions management, water management)*

– *Respect of EU data inter-operability, openness and re-use principles;*

– *Guarantees for data security and privacy in line with best current standards.*

Justification

The elements and functionalities of Farm Sustainability Tool for Nutrients should be included in the basic act.

Amendment 77

Proposal for a regulation

Article 15 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

1. Member States shall reduce the amount of direct payments to be granted to a farmer pursuant to this Chapter for a given calendar year exceeding EUR 60 000 *as follows:*

(a) by at least 25 % for the tranche between EUR 60 000 and EUR 75 000;

(b) by at least 50 % for the tranche between EUR 75 000 and EUR 90 000;

(c) by at least 75 % for the tranche between EUR 90 000 and EUR 100 000;

Amendment

1. Member States shall reduce the amount of direct payments to be granted to a farmer pursuant to this Chapter for a given calendar year exceeding EUR 60 000.

(d) by 100 % for the amount exceeding EUR 100 000.

Justification

Degression/capping of direct payments leads to odd incentives that do not support the structural development of farms. The degression of direct payments above 60 000 EUR would not only affect exceptionally large units, but medium-sized units that have looked to invest and grow as well. If implemented, the proposed ceilings in Article 15 could also create an incentive to divide farms in a way that cannot be considered appropriate. Calculating the salaries and related contributions would cause administrative burden on both the farmer and the Member State. Simplification is needed.

Amendment 78

Proposal for a regulation

Article 15 – paragraph 2 – subparagraph 1 – point a

Text proposed by the Commission

(a) the salaries linked to **an** agricultural **activity** declared by the farmer, including taxes and social contributions related to employment; and

Amendment

(a) the salaries linked to agricultural **and related activities** declared by the farmer, including taxes and social contributions related to employment; and

Amendment 79

Proposal for a regulation

Article 15 – paragraph 2 – subparagraph 1 – point b

Text proposed by the Commission

(b) the equivalent cost of regular and unpaid labour linked to **an** agricultural **activity** practiced by persons working on the farm concerned who do not receive a salary, or who receive less remuneration than the amount normally paid for the services rendered, but are rewarded through the economic result of the farm business.

Amendment

(b) the equivalent cost of regular and unpaid labour linked to agricultural **and related activities** practiced by persons working on the farm concerned who do not receive a salary, or who receive less remuneration than the amount normally paid for the services rendered, but are rewarded through the economic result of the farm business.

Amendment 80

Proposal for a regulation

Article 15 – paragraph 2 – subparagraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

To calculate the amounts referred to in points a) and b), Member States shall use the ***average standard*** salaries linked to an agricultural activity at national or regional level multiplied by the number of annual work units declared by the farmer concerned.

Amendment

To calculate the amounts referred to in points a) and b), Member States shall use the ***real labour cost and*** salaries linked to an agricultural ***or related*** activity at national or regional level multiplied by the number of annual work units declared by the farmer concerned.

Amendment 81

Proposal for a regulation

Article 15 – paragraph 3 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

3a. No advantage consisting of avoiding reductions of the payment shall be granted in favour of farmers in respect of whom it is established that they artificially created the conditions to avoid the effects of this Article.

Amendment 82

Proposal for a regulation

Article 15 – paragraph 4

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

4. The Commission is empowered to adopt delegated acts in accordance with Article 138 supplementing this Regulation with rules establishing a harmonised basis for calculation for the reduction of payments laid down in paragraph 1 ***to ensure a correct distribution of the funds to the entitled beneficiaries.***

4. The Commission is empowered to adopt delegated acts in accordance with Article 138 supplementing this Regulation with rules establishing a harmonised basis for calculation for the reduction of payments laid down in paragraph 1.

Amendment 83

Proposal for a regulation

Article 16 – paragraph 2 – subparagraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

Member States shall set an area threshold and only grant decoupled direct payments to genuine farmers whose eligible area of the holding for which decoupled direct payments are claimed goes beyond this area threshold.

Amendment

Member States shall set an area threshold and only grant decoupled direct payments to genuine farmers whose eligible area of the holding for which decoupled direct payments are claimed goes beyond this area threshold. . ***This threshold shall provide specific values for urban farming.***

Amendment 84

Proposal for a regulation

Article 22 – paragraph 4 – point b a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(ba) other farmers, identified on the basis of objective and non-discriminatory criteria, who, according to the needs assessment described in Article 96, are more vulnerable or relevant to the achievement of the specific objectives set out in Article 6, paying particular attention to the inclusion of women in farming as a prioritisation criterion.

Amendment 85

Proposal for a regulation

Article 25 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

Member States may grant payments to small farmers as defined by Member States by way of a ***round sum***, replacing direct payments under this Section and Section 3 of this Chapter. Member States shall design the corresponding intervention in the CAP

Member States may grant payments to small farmers as defined by Member States by way of a ***lump sum or an amount per hectare***, replacing direct payments under this Section and Section 3 of this Chapter. Member States shall design the

Strategic Plan as optional for the farmers.

corresponding intervention in the CAP
Strategic Plan as optional for the farmers.

Amendment 86

Proposal for a regulation Article 27 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

1. Member States may provide for complementary income support for young farmers under the conditions set out in this Article and as further specified in their CAP Strategic Plans.

Amendment

1. Member States may provide for complementary income support for young farmers, ***defined in accordance with the criteria laid down in Article 4(1)(d)***, under the conditions set out in this Article and as further specified in their CAP Strategic Plans.

Amendment 87

Proposal for a regulation Article 27 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

2. As part of their obligations to contribute to the specific objective 'attract young farmers and facilitate business development in rural areas' set out in point (g) of Article 6(1) and to dedicate at least 2% of their allocations for direct payments to this objective in accordance with Article 86(4), Member States may provide a complementary income support for young farmers ***who have newly set up for the first time and*** who are entitled to a payment under the basic income support as referred to in Article 17.

Amendment

2. As part of their obligations to contribute to the specific objective 'attract young ***and new*** farmers and facilitate business development in rural areas' set out in point (g) of Article 6(1) and to dedicate at least 2% of their allocations for direct payments to this objective in accordance with Article 86(4), Member States may provide a complementary income support for young farmers who are entitled to a payment under the basic income support as referred to in Article 17.

Amendment 88

Proposal for a regulation Article 27 – paragraph 3

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

3. The complementary income support for young farmers shall take the form of an annual decoupled payment per eligible hectare.

3. The complementary income support for young farmers shall ***be granted for a maximum period of 7 years and shall*** take the form of an annual decoupled payment per eligible hectare; ***it may be calculated on a national basis or in accordance with the territories defined under Article 18(2).***

Amendment 89

Proposal for a regulation

Article 27 – paragraph 3 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

3a. Member States may lay down specific provisions relating to young farmers belonging to producer organisations or cooperatives with the aim of ensuring they do not lose support pursuant to this Article when joining such entities.

Amendment 90

Proposal for a regulation

Title 3 – chapter 2 – section 2 – subsection 4 – title

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

Schemes for the climate and the environment

Schemes for the climate, ***biodiversity*** and the environment

Amendment 91

Proposal for a regulation

Article 28 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

1. Member States ***shall*** provide support for voluntary schemes for the

1. Member States ***may*** provide support for voluntary schemes for the

climate and the environment ('eco-schemes') under the conditions set out in this Article and as further specified in their CAP Strategic Plans.

climate and the environment ('eco-schemes') under the conditions set out in this Article and as further specified in their CAP Strategic Plans.

Amendment 92

Proposal for a regulation Article 28 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

2. Member States shall support under this type of intervention genuine farmers who make commitments to observe, on eligible hectares, agricultural practices beneficial for the climate and the environment.

Amendment

2. Member States shall support under this type of intervention genuine farmers who make commitments to observe, on eligible hectares, agricultural practices beneficial for the climate, ***both wild and agro-biodiversity*** and the environment.

Amendment 93

Proposal for a regulation Article 28 – paragraph 3

Text proposed by the Commission

3. Member States shall establish the list of agricultural practices beneficial for the climate and the environment.

Amendment

3. ***For the purpose of providing support under this Article, Member States where appropriate in collaboration with the regions, shall establish the list of agricultural practices beneficial for the climate and the environment. Those practices shall be designed to meet one or more of the specific environmental- and climate-related objectives laid down in points (d), (e) and (f) of Article 6(1).***

Amendment 94

Proposal for a regulation Article 28 – paragraph 4

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

4. *Those practices shall be designed to meet one or more of the specific environmental- and climate-related objectives laid down in points (d), (e) and (f) of Article 6(1).* **deleted**

Amendment 95

Proposal for a regulation Article 28 – paragraph 7

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

7. Member States shall ensure that interventions under this Article are consistent with those granted under Article 65.

7. Member States, ***where appropriate in collaboration with the regions***, shall ensure that interventions under this Article are consistent with those granted under Article 65.

Amendment 96

Proposal for a regulation Article 28 – paragraph 8

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

8. *The Commission is empowered to adopt delegated acts in accordance with Article 138 supplementing this Regulation with further rules on the eco-schemes.* **deleted**

Justification

All the necessary rules should be laid down in the basic regulation. This would be important as decisions on these matters should be made at the level of the Council and Parliament. Moreover, when preparing the CAP Strategic Plans, all the relevant EU rules should be known.

Amendment 97

Proposal for a regulation Article 60 – paragraph 1 – point a – point i

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(i) soil conservation, including *the enhancement of* soil carbon;

(i) soil conservation, including *enhancing the soil's capacity to retain water and increasing* soil carbon *content*;

Amendment 98

Proposal for a regulation

Article 60 – paragraph 1 – point b

Text proposed by the Commission

(b) advisory services and technical assistance, in particular regarding *climate change adaptation and mitigation*;

Amendment

(b) advisory services and technical assistance, in particular regarding *adapting to climate change*;

Amendment 99

Proposal for a regulation

Article 60 – paragraph 1 – point f

Text proposed by the Commission

(f) promotion, communication and marketing including actions and activities aimed in particular at raising consumer awareness about the Union quality schemes and the importance of healthy diets, and at diversification of *markets*;

Amendment

(f) promotion, communication and marketing including actions and activities aimed in particular at raising consumer awareness about the Union quality schemes and the importance of healthy diets, and at diversification of *agricultural activities, including the production of agricultural goods with local and regional characteristics, and activities related to farming such as agro-tourism and forestry*;

Amendment 100

Proposal for a regulation

Article 64 – paragraph 1 – point d

Text proposed by the Commission

(d) investments;

Amendment

(d) investments, *in particular in rural infrastructure*;

Amendment 101

Proposal for a regulation

Article 64 – paragraph 1 – point e

Text proposed by the Commission

(e) installation of young farmers **and** rural business start-up;

Amendment

(e) installation of young farmers, **new farmers**, rural business start-up **and scaling up of rural micro and small enterprises**;

Amendment 102

Proposal for a regulation

Article 64 – paragraph 1 – point e a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(ea) support for women in rural areas;

Amendment 103

Proposal for a regulation

Article 64 – paragraph 1 – point h a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(h a) development of the Smart Villages Strategy;

Amendment 104

Proposal for a regulation

Article 67 – paragraph 3 – point c a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(ca) mountain and other areas which are disadvantaged in terms of altitude, slope, soil poverty, climate or other factors.

Amendment 105

Proposal for a regulation
Article 67 – paragraph 5 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

5a. isolated or relatively inaccessible areas

Amendment 106

Proposal for a regulation
Article 68 – paragraph 3 – subparagraph 1 – introductory part

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

Member States shall establish a list of ineligible investments and categories of expenditure, including at least the following:

Member States shall establish a **non-exhaustive** list of ineligible investments and categories of expenditure, including at least the following:

Justification

It will be challenging to draw up comprehensive list of ineligible investments. Every investment that is not in the list is acceptable? It would be more wise to come up with a directional list of ineligible investments.

Amendment 107

Proposal for a regulation
Article 68 – paragraph 3 – subparagraph 1 – point c

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(c) purchase of land with the exception of land purchase for environmental conservation or land purchased by young farmers through the use of financial instruments;

(c) purchase of land **for an amount exceeding 10% of the total eligible expenditure for the operation concerned** with the exception of land purchase for environmental conservation, or land purchased by young **or new** farmers through the use of financial instruments;

Amendment 108

Proposal for a regulation
Article 68 – paragraph 4 – subparagraph 2 – point b

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(b) investments in basic services in rural areas;

(b) investments in basic **public and private** services in rural areas **including digitalisation**;

Amendment 109

Proposal for a regulation

Article 68 – paragraph 4 – subparagraph 2 – point c a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(ca) investments supported through community-led local development strategies defined in Article 26 [CPR].

Amendment 110

Proposal for a regulation

Article 68 – paragraph 4 – subparagraph 2 – point c b (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(cb) investments made by young farmers;

Amendment 111

Proposal for a regulation

Article 68 – paragraph 4 – subparagraph 2 – point c c (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(cc) agricultural investments in areas with natural or other area-specific constraints.

Amendment 112

Proposal for a regulation

Article 69 – title

Text proposed by the Commission

Installation of young farmers **and** rural business start-up

Amendment

Installation of young farmers, **new farmers, early retirement schemes**, rural business start-up **and scaling up of rural micro and small enterprises**

Amendment 113

Proposal for a regulation Article 69 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

1. Member States may grant support for the installation of young farmers **and** rural business start-up 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.

Amendment

1. Member States may grant support for the installation of young farmers, **new farmers, early retirement schemes**, rural business start-up **and scaling up of rural micro and small enterprises that create and sustain jobs** 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 **one or more of** the specific objectives set out in Article 6.

Amendment 114

Proposal for a regulation Article 69 – paragraph 2 – point a a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(aa) the installation of new farmers;

Amendment 115

Proposal for a regulation Article 69 – paragraph 2 – point a b (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(ab) Member States may lay down specific provisions for young farmers who

join producer organisations or cooperative structures with the aim of ensuring they do not lose setting-up aid. Such provisions shall respect the principle of proportionality and identify the participation of the young farmer within the producer organisation or cooperative structure.

Amendment 116

Proposal for a regulation

Article 69 – paragraph 2 – point b

Text proposed by the Commission

(b) the start-up of rural business linked to agriculture **and** forestry or farm household income diversification;

Amendment

(b) the start-up of rural business **and scaling up of rural micro and small enterprises** linked to agriculture, forestry **bioeconomy, circular economy, tourism and other sectors in rural areas** or farm household income diversification;

Amendment 117

Proposal for a regulation

Article 69 – paragraph 2 – point c

Text proposed by the Commission

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

Amendment

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

Amendment 118

Proposal for a regulation

Article 69 – paragraph 2 – point c a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(ca) early retirement schemes for farmers.

Justification

In order to speed-up the process of generational renewal in farmers, MS should be able to grant support under this intervention also for early retirement schemes for farmers, who are transferring their holding to young farmers.

Amendment 119

Proposal for a regulation

Article 69 – paragraph 4 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

4a. Member States may grant up to 1/3 of the amount from previous point for the early retirement schemes for farmers, as further specified in their CAP Strategic Plans.

Justification

For faster generational renewal, MS should have the possibility of establishing early retirement schemes, which should be partly financed from the financial support for young farmers.

Amendment 120

Proposal for a regulation

Article 70 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

1. Member States **shall** grant support for risk management tools under the conditions set out in this Article and as further specified in their CAP Strategic Plans.

1. Member States **may** grant support for risk management tools under the conditions set out in this Article and as further specified in their CAP Strategic Plans.

Amendment 121

Proposal for a regulation

Article 70 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

2. Member States **shall** grant support under this type of interventions in order to promote risk management tools, which help genuine farmers manage production and income risks related to their agricultural activity which are outside their control and which contribute to achieving the specific objectives set out in Article 6.

Amendment

2. Member States **may** grant support under this type of interventions in order to promote risk management tools, which help genuine farmers manage production and income risks related to their agricultural activity which are **not foreseen** outside their control and which contribute to achieving the specific objectives set out in Article 6.

Amendment 122

Proposal for a regulation

Article 70 – paragraph 4 – point c a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(ca) public money shall only be awarded for an insurance premium if a beneficiary undertakes to implement mitigation measures to minimise their (exposure to) risk.

Amendment 123

Proposal for a regulation

Article 70 – paragraph 5

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

5. Member States shall ensure that support is granted only for covering losses of at least 20% of the average annual production or income of the farmer in the preceding three-year period or a three-year average based on the preceding five-year period excluding the highest and lowest entry.

5. Member States shall ensure that support is granted only **where risk mitigation or minimisation measures have been undertaken and** for covering losses of at least 20% of the average annual production or income of the farmer in the preceding three-year period or a three-year average based on the preceding five-year period excluding the highest and lowest entry.

Amendment 124

Proposal for a regulation
Article 72 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

Article 72a

Development of Smart Villages Strategy

1. In order to promote digitalisation and innovation, facilitate business development, social inclusion and employment in rural areas, Member States shall develop and implement the Smart Villages Strategy in their CAP Strategic Plans, taking into account the types of interventions set out in points (a), (b), (d), (e), (g) and (h) of Article 64 and elements that ensure modernisation and strategies as set in Article 102.

2. Additional to the types of interventions set in previous point, Member States should take particular care of measures, addressing the following issues in rural areas:

- a) digitalisation of rural economy;***
- b) precision agriculture;***
- c) development of digital platforms;***
- d) rural mobility;***
- e) social innovation;***
- f) development of smart energy systems, grids and storage at local level, as well as supporting the development of energy cooperatives;***

3. Member States shall take particular note of coordination between EAFRD and other European Structural and Investment Funds, as set in point (iii) of Article 98(d).

4. Member States may include their Smart Villages Strategy into the integrated strategies of Community-led local development as set in Article 25(c) of the Regulation (EU) 2018/xxxx [new CPR].

Justification

Smart Villages should be at the forefront of the future of rural development, therefore sufficient EAFRD resources should be allocated for development and implementation of Smart Villages Strategies within the CAP Strategic Plans of MS. Resources from other structural funds should also be provided for this purpose, as this would help keep EU rural areas vital.

Amendment 125

Proposal for a regulation

Article 73 – paragraph 1 – subparagraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

The Managing Authority of the CAP Strategic Plan or other designated intermediate bodies shall define selection criteria for interventions relating to the following types of interventions: investments, installation of young farmers **and** rural business start-up, cooperation, knowledge exchange and information, after consultation of the Monitoring Committee referred to in Article 111. Selection criteria shall aim to ensure equal treatment of applicants, better use of financial resources and targeting of the support in accordance with the purpose of the interventions.

Amendment

The ***national, and where applicable regional***, Managing Authority of the CAP Strategic Plan or other designated intermediate bodies shall define selection criteria for interventions relating to the following types of interventions: investments, installation of young farmers, ***new farmers***, rural business start-up ***and scaling up of rural micro and small enterprises***, cooperation, knowledge exchange and information, ***specific measures in favour of women in rural areas***, after consultation of the Monitoring Committee referred to in Article 111. Selection criteria shall aim to ensure equal treatment of applicants, better use of financial resources and targeting of the support in accordance with the purpose of the interventions. ***Beneficiaries will be selected on the basis of calls for proposals, applying effective economic, social and environmental criteria.***

Amendment 126

Proposal for a regulation

Article 73 – paragraph 1 – subparagraph 2 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

In selecting operations, managing

authorities shall ensure the climate, environment and biodiversity proofing of planned interventions.

Amendment 127

Proposal for a regulation Article 73 – paragraph 4

Text proposed by the Commission

4. Selection criteria may not be defined for operations that ***have received a Seal of Excellence certification under Horizon 2020 or Horizon Europe or*** have been selected under Life +, provided that such operations are consistent with the CAP Strategic Plan.

Amendment

4. Selection criteria may not be defined for operations that have been selected under Life +, provided that such operations are consistent with the CAP Strategic Plan.

Amendment 128

Proposal for a regulation Article 75

Text proposed by the Commission

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Amendment

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Amendment 129

Proposal for a regulation Article 83 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

1. The total amount of Union support for types of interventions for rural development under this Regulation for the period from 1 January 2021 to 31 December 2027 shall be EUR ***78 811*** million in ***current*** prices in accordance with the multiannual financial framework for the years 2021 to 2027³⁸.

Amendment

1. The total amount of Union support for types of interventions for rural development under this Regulation for the period from 1 January 2021 to 31 December 2027 shall be EUR ***96 712*** million in ***2018*** prices in accordance with the multiannual financial framework for the years 2021 to 2027³⁸.

³⁸ Proposal for a Council Regulation laying down the multiannual financial framework for the years 2021-2027 Communication from the Commission to the European Parliament, the Council, the European Economic and Social Committee and the Committee of the Regions, COM(2018)322 final.

³⁸ Proposal for a Council Regulation laying down the multiannual financial framework for the years 2021-2027 Communication from the Commission to the European Parliament, the Council, the European Economic and Social Committee and the Committee of the Regions, COM(2018)322 final.

Amendment 130

Proposal for a regulation Article 85 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

1. The CAP Strategic Plans shall establish **a single** EAFRD contribution rate applicable to all interventions.

Amendment

1. The CAP Strategic Plans shall establish **the** EAFRD contribution **to support of** rate applicable to all interventions **in all regions corresponding to level 2 of the common classification of territorial units for statistics ('NUTS level 2 regions') established by Regulation (EC) No 1059/2003 as amended by Commission Regulation (EC) No 2016/2066.**

Amendment 131

Proposal for a regulation Article 85 – paragraph 1 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

1a. Resources from the EAFRD shall be allocated among the following three categories of NUTS level 2 regions:

(a) less developed regions, whose GDP per capita is less than 75 % of the average GDP of the EU-27 ('less developed regions');

(b) transition regions, whose GDP per capita is between 75 % and 100% of the average GDP of the EU-27 ('transition regions');

(c) more developed regions, whose GDP per capita is above 100 % of the average GDP of the EU-27 ('more developed regions').

Amendment 132

Proposal for a regulation

Article 85 – paragraph 1 b (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

1b. The classification of regions under one of the three categories of regions shall be determined on the basis of how the GDP per capita of each region, measured in purchasing power standards ('PPS') and calculated on the basis of Union figures for the period 2014-2016, or, in respect to the Regulation (EC) No 1059/2003 as amended by Commission Regulation (EC) No 2016/2066, on the basis of data calculated and provided by the Member States, relates to the average GDP of the EU-27 for the same reference period.

Amendment 133

Proposal for a regulation

Article 85 – paragraph 2 – subparagraph 1 – point a

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(a) 70% of the eligible public expenditure in the outermost regions and in the smaller Aegean islands within the meaning of Regulation (EU) No 229/2013;

(a) 85% of the eligible public expenditure in the outermost regions and in the smaller Aegean islands within the meaning of Regulation (EU) No 229/2013;

Amendment 134

Proposal for a regulation

Article 85 – paragraph 2 – subparagraph 1 – point b

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(b) **70% of the eligible public expenditure in** the less developed regions;

(b) **85% for** the less developed regions;

Amendment 135

Proposal for a regulation

Article 85 – paragraph 2 – subparagraph 1 – point c

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(c) **65% of the eligible expenditure for payments under Article 66;**

(c) **65% for the transition regions;**

Amendment 136

Proposal for a regulation

Article 85 – paragraph 2 – subparagraph 1 – point d

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(d) **43% of the eligible public expenditure in the other** regions.

(d) **50% for the more developed** regions.

Amendment 137

Proposal for a regulation

Article 85 – paragraph 2 – subparagraph 1 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

Without prejudice to subparagraph 1, the maximum EAFRD contribution rate for areas eligible for payments under Article 66 and not covered under points a), b) and

c) shall be 65% of the eligible expenditure.

Amendment 138

Proposal for a regulation

Article 85 – paragraph 3 – point a

Text proposed by the Commission

(a) **80** % for management commitments referred to in Article 65 of this Regulation, for payments under Article 67 of this Regulation, for non-productive investments referred to in Article 68 of this Regulation, for support for the European Innovation Partnership under Article 71 of this Regulation and for the LEADER, referred to as community-led local development in Article 25 of Regulation (EU) [CPR];

Amendment

(a) **85** % for management commitments referred to in Article 65 of this Regulation, for payments under Article 67 of this Regulation, for non-productive investments referred to in Article 68 of this Regulation, for support for the European Innovation Partnership under Article 71 of this Regulation and for the LEADER, referred to as community-led local development in Article 25 of Regulation (EU) [CPR];

Amendment 139

Proposal for a regulation

Article 86 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

1. At least **5** % of the total EAFRD contribution to the CAP Strategic Plan as set out in Annex IX shall be reserved for LEADER, referred to as community-led local development in Article 25 of Regulation (EU) [CPR].

Amendment

1. At least **10** % of the total EAFRD contribution to the CAP Strategic Plan as set out in Annex IX shall be reserved for LEADER, referred to as community-led local development in Article 25 of Regulation (EU) [CPR].

Amendment 140

Proposal for a regulation

Article 86 – paragraph 1 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

1a. At least 5% of the total EAFRD contribution to the CAP Strategic Plan as

set out in in Annex IX shall be reserved for elements that ensure modernisation of the CAP set out in Article 102(a) and strategies set out in Article 102(b).

Justification

5% of EAFRD contribution should be allocated for strategies, which will ensure modernisation of agri-food sector and Smart Villages strategies.

Amendment 141

Proposal for a regulation

Article 86 – paragraph 2 – subparagraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

At least 30% of the total EAFRD contribution to the CAP Strategic Plan as set out in Annex IX shall be reserved for interventions addressing the specific environmental- and climate-related objectives set out in points (d), (e) and (f) of Article 6(1) of this Regulation, ***excluding interventions based on Article 66.***

Amendment

At least 30% of the total EAFRD contribution to the CAP Strategic Plan as set out in Annex IX shall be reserved for interventions ***of all types*** addressing the specific environmental- and climate-related objectives set out in points (d), (e) and (f) of Article 6(1) of this Regulation.

Justification

Support for areas with natural constraints is excluded in the proposal from the EAFRD contribution earmarked for interventions addressing specific environmental and climate objectives. This exclusion is unacceptable. The Rural Development Programme makes it possible to make payments to farmers in areas where, for example, they are facing difficult climatic conditions. These payments mitigate the risks associated with land abandonment, desertification, biodiversity loss and loss of valuable rural areas. The establishment of areas is based on the criteria laid down in rural development legislation.

Amendment 142

Proposal for a regulation

Article 86 – paragraph 3 – subparagraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

A maximum **4** % of the total EAFRD contribution to the CAP Strategic Plan as set out in Annex IX may be used to finance the actions of technical assistance at the initiative of the Member States referred to in Article 112.

A maximum **5** % of the total EAFRD contribution to the CAP Strategic Plan as set out in Annex IX may be used to finance the actions of technical assistance at the initiative of the Member States referred to in Article 112.

Justification

Due to the increased number of obligations for farm advisory services, the contribution for technical assistance should be increased.

Amendment 143

Proposal for a regulation

Article 86 – paragraph 4 – introductory part

Text proposed by the Commission

4. For each Member State the minimum amount set out in Annex X shall be reserved for contributing to the specific objective 'attract young farmers and facilitate business development' set out in point (g) of Article 6(1). On the basis of the analysis of the situation in terms of strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and threats ('the SWOT analysis') and the identification of the needs that are to be addressed, the amount shall be used for the following types of interventions:

Amendment

4. For each Member State the minimum amount set out in Annex X shall be reserved for contributing to the specific objective 'attract young **and new** farmers and facilitate business development' set out in point (g) of Article 6(1). On the basis of the analysis of the situation in terms of strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and threats ('the SWOT analysis') and the identification of the needs that are to be addressed, the amount shall be used for the following types of interventions:

Amendment 144

Proposal for a regulation

Article 86 – paragraph 4 – point a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(aa) Without prejudice to the provisions of the first subparagraph, a Member State may not grant an allocation for young farmers that is lower than the average annual allocation granted for the same purpose in the 2014-2020 period.

Amendment 145

Proposal for a regulation

Article 86 – paragraph 4 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

4a. At least 70% of the amounts laid down in Annex VII must be earmarked for basic income support for sustainability as referred to in Subsection 1 of Section 2 of Chapter II of Title III.

Amendment 146

Proposal for a regulation

Article 86 – paragraph 5 – subparagraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

By way of derogation from the first subparagraph, Member States that in accordance with Article 53(4) of Regulation (EU) No 1307/2013 used for the purpose of voluntary coupled support more than 13% of their annual national ceiling set out in Annex II to that Regulation, may decide to use for the purpose of coupled income support more than 10% of the amount set out in Annex VII. The resulting percentage shall not exceed the percentage approved by the Commission for voluntary coupled support in respect of claim year 2018.

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Amendment 147

Proposal for a regulation

Article 86 – paragraph 5 – subparagraph 3

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

The percentage referred to in the first subparagraph, may be increased by a maximum of 2%, provided that the amount corresponding to the percentage exceeding

The percentage referred to in the first subparagraph, may be increased by a maximum of 4 %, provided that the amount corresponding to the percentage

the **10%** is allocated to the support for protein crops under Subsection 1 of Section **2** of Chapter II of Title III.

exceeding the **16%** is allocated to the support for protein crops under Subsection 1 of Section **3** of Chapter II of Title III.

Amendment 148

Proposal for a regulation Article 86 – paragraph 7 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

7a. The EAFRD financial allocation shall provide for a specific additional amount in rural areas with low population levels.

Amendment 149

Proposal for a regulation Article 88 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

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.

1. Member States **and where applicable the regions**, 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 150

Proposal for a regulation Article 90 – paragraph 1 – subparagraph 1 – introductory part

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

As part of their CAP Strategic Plan proposal referred to in Article 106(1), Member States may decide to transfer:

As part of their CAP Strategic Plan proposal referred to in Article 106(1), Member States, **and where applicable the regions**, may decide to transfer:

Amendment 151

Proposal for a regulation Article 91 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

Member States shall establish CAP Strategic Plans in accordance with this Regulation to implement the Union support financed by the EAGF and the EAFRD for the achievement of the specific objectives set out to in Article 6.

Amendment

Member States, ***where applicable together with the regions***, shall establish CAP Strategic Plans in accordance with this Regulation to implement the Union support financed by the EAGF and the EAFRD for the achievement of the specific objectives set out to in Article 6.

Amendment 152

Proposal for a regulation Article 91 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

Based on the SWOT analysis referred to in Article 103(2) and an assessment of needs referred to in Article 96, Member ***State*** shall establish in the CAP Strategic Plans an intervention strategy as referred to in Article 97 in which quantitative targets and milestones shall be set to achieve the specific objectives set out to in Article 6. The targets shall be defined using a common set of result indicators set out in Annex I.

Amendment

Based on the SWOT analysis referred to in Article 103(2) and an assessment of needs referred to in Article 96, Member ***States, and where applicable the regions***, shall establish in the CAP Strategic Plans an intervention strategy as referred to in Article 97 in which quantitative targets and milestones shall be set to achieve the specific objectives set out to in Article 6. The targets shall be defined using a common set of result indicators set out in Annex I.

Amendment 153

Proposal for a regulation Article 93 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

Each Member State shall establish a single

Amendment

Each Member State, ***where applicable in***

CAP Strategic Plan for its entire territory.

cooperation with the regions, shall establish a single CAP Strategic Plan for its entire territory.

Amendment 154
Proposal for a regulation
Article 93 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

Where elements of the CAP Strategic Plan are established at regional level, the Member State shall ensure the coherence and the consistency with the ***elements of the CAP Strategic Plan established at national level***.

Amendment

Where elements of the CAP Strategic Plan are established ***and implemented*** at regional level, ***through the Regional Intervention Programmes***, the Member State shall ensure the coherence and the consistency with the CAP Strategic ***Plans***.

Amendment 155

Proposal for a regulation
Article 94 – paragraph 3 – subparagraph 1 – point c

Text proposed by the Commission

(c) relevant bodies representing civil society and ***where relevant*** bodies responsible for promoting social inclusion, fundamental rights, gender equality and non-discrimination.

Amendment

(c) relevant bodies representing civil society, ***environmental partners***, and bodies responsible for promoting social inclusion, fundamental rights, ***rights of persons with disabilities***, gender equality and non-discrimination.

Amendment 156

Proposal for a regulation
Article 94 – paragraph 3 – subparagraph 1 – point c a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(ca) Local Action Groups or other sub-regional development agencies which are capable of deploying funds under the LEADER intervention.

Amendment 157

Proposal for a regulation

Article 94 – paragraph 3 – subparagraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

Member States shall involve those partners in the preparation of the CAP Strategic Plans.

Amendment

Member States shall involve those partners ***on equal footing*** in the preparation ***and implementation*** of the CAP Strategic Plans.

Amendment 158

Proposal for a regulation

Article 94 – paragraph 3 – subparagraph 2 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

The organisation and implementation of partnership shall be carried out in accordance with Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) No 240/2014.

Amendment 159

Proposal for a regulation

Article 94 – paragraph 3 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

3a. The Commission shall establish a contact point for partners to ensure that those ones can have direct access to the Commission.

Amendment 160

Proposal for a regulation

Article 94 – paragraph 4 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

4a. The Member States shall ensure proper financial management and guarantee the efficient and effective use of EU resources. They shall prevent any irregularities and inefficient use of EU resources. The Member States and the Commission shall work together to defend the EU's financial interests and to ensure that laws against conflicts of interest are complied with. They shall take preventive measures against fraud, corruption and other illicit activities and take action to prevent situations of conflict of interest from arising.

Amendment 161

Proposal for a regulation

Article 95 – paragraph 1 – point d

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(d) a description of the direct payments, sectoral and rural development interventions specified in the strategy;

(d) a description of the direct payments, sectoral and rural **and** development interventions specified in the strategy **and, in the case of regionalised management and implementation, a direct reference to the inherent Regional Audit Programme as set out in Article 95(2)(f);**

Amendment 162

Proposal for a regulation

Article 95 – paragraph 1 – point e

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(e) target and financial plans;

(e) target and financial plans, **including where applicable the targets and financial plans in the Regional Intervention Programmes;**

Amendment 163

Proposal for a regulation

Article 95 – paragraph 1 – point h

Text proposed by the Commission

(h) a ***description of the elements*** related to simplification and reduced administrative burden for final beneficiaries.

Amendment

(h) a ***set of measures*** related to simplification, ***funding programme flexibility*** and reduced administrative burden for final beneficiaries.

Amendment 164

Proposal for a regulation

Article 95 – paragraph 1 – point h a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(ha) a description of the structure for delivery of the rural development programme, including devolution of detailed decision-making to Local Action Groups or other sub-regional development agencies which are authorised to deploy funds under the LEADER intervention.

Amendment 165

Proposal for a regulation

Article 95 – paragraph 2 – point c

Text proposed by the Commission

(c) Annex III on the consultation of the partners;

Amendment

(c) Annex III on the consultation of the partners ***and a documentation of comments submitted by partners and whether and how these comments have been taken into account by the managing authority;***

Amendment 166

Proposal for a regulation

Article 95 – paragraph 2 – point e a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(ea) Annex VI on the Regional Intervention Programmes.

Amendment 167

Proposal for a regulation

Article 95 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

Article 95a

Regional Intervention Programmes

Each Regional Intervention Programme shall contain at least the following sections:

- (a) a SWOT analysis summary;***
- (b) a needs assessment summary;***
- (c) an intervention strategy;***
- (d) an operational description of the interventions managed and implemented at regional level consistent with the national strategic plan as set out in Article 99. More specifically, each intervention specified in the strategy under Article 95a(c) shall include the following elements:***
 - i. the description of the assistance;***
 - ii. the eligibility conditions;***
 - iii. the support rate***
 - iv. the calculation of the unit amount of the support;***
 - v. the financial plan;***
 - vi. result indicators;***
 - vii. targets;***
 - viii. report on achievement of the targets;***
- (e) multiannual financial framework;***

(f) a description of the governance and coordination system.

Amendment 168

Proposal for a regulation

Article 96 – paragraph 1 – point a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(aa) an analysis of Member States' self-sufficiency with agricultural products;

Amendment 169

Proposal for a regulation

Article 97 – paragraph 2 – point c

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(c) in relation to the specific objective 'attract young farmers and facilitate their business development' set out in point (g) of Article 6(1), an overview of the CAP Strategic Plan relevant interventions and specific conditions such as those specified in Articles 22(4), 27, 69 and 71(7) shall be presented. Member States shall in particular refer to Article 86(5) when presenting the financial plan in relation to the types of interventions referred to in Articles 27 and 69. The overview shall also explain the interplay with national instruments with a view of improving the consistency between Union and national actions in this area;

(c) in relation to the specific objective 'attract young **and new** farmers and facilitate their business development' set out in point (g) of Article 6(1), an overview of the CAP Strategic Plan relevant interventions and specific conditions such as those specified in Articles 22(4), 27, 69 and 71(7) shall be presented. Member States shall in particular refer to Article 86(5) when presenting the financial plan in relation to the types of interventions referred to in Articles 27 and 69. The overview shall also explain the interplay with national instruments with a view of improving the consistency between Union and national actions in this area;

Amendment 170

Proposal for a regulation

Article 97 – paragraph 2 – point f

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(f) a description of the interplay

(Does not affect the English version.)

between national and regional interventions, including the distribution of financial allocations per intervention and per fund.

Amendment 171

Proposal for a regulation

Article 102 – paragraph 1 – point b

Text proposed by the Commission

(b) ***a description of the strategy*** for the development of digital technologies in agriculture and rural areas and for the use of these technologies to improve the effectiveness and efficiency of the CAP Strategic Plan interventions.

Amendment

(b) ***strategies*** for the development of digital technologies in agriculture and rural areas, ***Smart Villages***, and for the use of these technologies to improve the effectiveness and efficiency of the CAP Strategic Plan interventions.

Amendment 172

Proposal for a regulation

Article 103 – paragraph 3

Text proposed by the Commission

3. Annex III to the CAP Strategic Plan referred to in point (c) of Article 95(2) shall include the outcomes of the consultation of the partners and a brief description of how the consultation was carried out.

Amendment

3. Annex III to the CAP Strategic Plan referred to in point (c) of Article 95(2) shall include the outcomes of the consultation of the partners and a brief description of how the consultation was carried out. ***It shall also include a documentation of comments submitted by partners and whether and how these comments have been taken into account by the managing authority and its justification thereof.***

Amendment 173

Proposal for a regulation

Article 103 – paragraph 5 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

5a. Annex VI to the CAP Strategic Plan referred to in Article 95(2)(f) shall include the Regional Intervention Programmes set out in Article 95a.

Amendment 174

Proposal for a regulation

Article 106 – paragraph 3 – subparagraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

Depending on the results of the assessment referred to in paragraph 2, the Commission may address observations to the Member States within three months of the date of submission of the CAP Strategic Plan.

Amendment

Depending on the results of the assessment referred to in paragraph 2, the Commission may address observations to the Member States, **and where applicable the regional managing authorities**, within three months of the date of submission of the CAP Strategic Plan.

Amendment 175

Proposal for a regulation

Article 106 – paragraph 3 – subparagraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

The Member State shall provide to the Commission **all necessary** additional information and, where appropriate, revise the proposed plan.

Amendment

The Commission shall provide the Member State with a list of the specific information needed to evaluate the approval of the plan. The Member State, **and where applicable the regions**, shall provide to the Commission **the** additional information **requested** and, where appropriate, revise the proposed plan. **If the Commission deems information provided by the Member State insufficient, the Commission shall provide reasons for the decision.**

Justification

The outline forming the basis of the Commission assessment to approve CAP Strategic Plans ("check-list") should be available to the Member States to facilitate planning and approval. The content of the phrase "all necessary additional information" should be clarified and the Commission should have a responsibility to give Member States reasons for why information

provided is deemed insufficient.

Amendment 176

Proposal for a regulation Article 106 – paragraph 4

Text proposed by the Commission

4. The Commission shall approve the proposed CAP Strategic Plan provided that the necessary information has been submitted and the Commission is satisfied that the Plan is compatible with the general principles of Union law, the requirements set out in this Regulation, the provisions adopted pursuant to it and in Regulation (EU) [HzR].

Amendment

4. The Commission shall approve the proposed CAP Strategic Plan provided that the necessary information has been submitted and the Commission is satisfied that the Plan is compatible with the general principles of Union law, ***EU financial rules***, the requirements set out in this Regulation, the provisions adopted pursuant to it and in Regulation (EU) [HzR].

Amendment 177

Proposal for a regulation Article 107 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

1. Member States may submit to the Commission requests to amend their CAP Strategic Plans.

Amendment

1. Member States may submit to the Commission requests to amend their CAP Strategic Plans; ***where appropriate, regional managing authorities may also submit to the Commission requests for amendments to regional intervention programmes as set out in Article 95a.***

Amendment 178

Proposal for a regulation Article 110 – paragraph 1 – subparagraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

Member States shall designate a Managing Authority for their CAP Strategic Plans.

Amendment

Member States shall designate a Managing Authority for their CAP Strategic Plans,

and a regional managing authority for each Regional Intervention Programme within the framework of the national strategic plans if applicable. In that case, the national managing authority shall appoint a national coordination body for the EAFRD that will ensure the uniform application of European Union rules, ensuring consistency with the elements of the strategic plan laid down at national level, in accordance with the second subparagraph of Article 93.

Amendment 179

Proposal for a regulation

Article 110 – paragraph 1 – subparagraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

Member States shall ensure that the relevant management and control system has been set up in such a way that it ensures a clear allocation and separation of functions between the Managing **Authority** and other bodies. Member States shall be responsible for ensuring that the system functions effectively throughout the CAP Strategic Plan period.

Amendment

Member States shall ensure that the relevant management and control system has been set up in such a way that it ensures a clear allocation and separation of functions between the Managing **Authorities** and other bodies. Member States shall be responsible for ensuring that the system functions effectively throughout the CAP Strategic Plan period.

Amendment 180

Proposal for a regulation

Article 110 – paragraph 2 – introductory part

Text proposed by the Commission

2. The Managing **Authority** shall be responsible for managing and implementing the CAP Strategic Plan in an efficient, effective and correct way. In particular, **it** shall ensure that:

Amendment

2. The Managing **Authorities** shall be responsible for managing and implementing the CAP Strategic Plan in an efficient, effective and correct way. In particular, **they** shall ensure that:

Amendment 181

Proposal for a regulation
Article 110 – paragraph 3

Text proposed by the Commission

3. The Member State or the Managing **Authority** may designate one or more intermediate bodies including local authorities, regional development bodies or non-governmental organisations, to carry out the management and implementation of CAP Strategic Plan interventions.

Amendment

3. The Member State or the Managing **Authorities** may designate one or more intermediate bodies including local authorities **and organisations**, regional development bodies or non-governmental organisations, to carry out the management and implementation of CAP Strategic Plan interventions.

Amendment 182

Proposal for a regulation
Article 110 – paragraph 4

Text proposed by the Commission

4. When a part of its tasks is delegated to another body, the Managing Authority shall retain full responsibility for the efficiency and correctness of the management and implementation of those tasks. The Managing Authority shall ensure that appropriate provisions are in place to allow the other body to obtain all necessary data and information for the execution of those tasks.

Amendment

4. When a part of its tasks is delegated to another body, the **competent** Managing Authority shall retain full responsibility for the efficiency and correctness of the management and implementation of those tasks. The **competent** Managing Authority shall ensure that appropriate provisions are in place to allow the other body to obtain all necessary data and information for the execution of those tasks.

Amendment 183

Proposal for a regulation
Article 111 – paragraph 1 – subparagraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

The Member State shall set up a committee to monitor implementation of the CAP Strategic Plan ('Monitoring Committee') before the submission of the CAP Strategic Plan.

Amendment

The Member State shall set up a committee to monitor implementation of the CAP Strategic Plan ('Monitoring Committee') before the submission of the CAP Strategic Plan **and, where appropriate, the regions shall establish a committee to monitor the implementation of the Regional**

Intervention Programmes ('Regional Monitoring Committee').

Amendment 184

Proposal for a regulation

Article 111 – paragraph 1 – subparagraph 3

Text proposed by the Commission

The Monitoring Committee shall meet at least once a year and shall review all issues that affect the CAP Strategic Plan progress towards achieving *its* targets.

Amendment

The Monitoring Committee shall meet at least once a year and shall review all issues that affect the CAP Strategic Plan, ***and where applicable the Regional Intervention Programmes***, progress towards achieving ***their*** targets.

Amendment 185

Proposal for a regulation

Article 111 – paragraph 1 – subparagraph 4

Text proposed by the Commission

The Member State shall publish the rules of procedures of the Monitoring ***Committee*** and all the data and information shared with the Monitoring ***Committee*** ***online***.

Amendment

The Member State, ***and where applicable the regions*** shall publish ***online*** the rules of procedures of the Monitoring ***Committee/s*** and all the data and information shared with the Monitoring ***Committee/s***.

Amendment 186

Proposal for a regulation

Article 111 – paragraph 1 – subparagraph 4 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

The membership of the Monitoring Committee shall include representatives of the national network of Local Action Groups or other sub-regional development agencies which are deploying funds under the LEADER

Amendment 187

Proposal for a regulation

Article 111 – paragraph 2 – subparagraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

The Member State shall decide the composition of the Monitoring **Committee** and shall ensure a balanced representation of the relevant public authorities and intermediate bodies and of representatives of the partners referred to in Article 94(3).

Amendment

The Member State, ***and where applicable the regions***, shall decide the composition of the Monitoring **Committees** and shall ensure a balanced representation of the relevant public authorities and intermediate bodies and of representatives of the partners referred to in Article 94(3).

Amendment 188

Proposal for a regulation

Article 111 – paragraph 2 – subparagraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

Each member of the Monitoring **Committee** shall have a vote.

Amendment

Each member of the monitoring ***committees*** shall have a vote.

Amendment 189

Proposal for a regulation

Article 111 – paragraph 2 – subparagraph 3

Text proposed by the Commission

The Member State shall publish the list of the members of the Monitoring Committee ***online***.

Amendment

The Member State, ***and where applicable the regions***, shall publish ***online*** the list of the members of the Monitoring Committee.

Amendment 190

Proposal for a regulation

Article 111 – paragraph 3 – introductory part

Text proposed by the Commission

3. The Monitoring Committee **shall** examine in particular:

Amendment

3. ***In accordance with its territorial scope***, the Monitoring Committee **may** examine in particular:

Amendment 191

Proposal for a regulation

Article 111 – paragraph 3 – point a

Text proposed by the Commission

(a) progress in CAP Strategic Plan implementation and in achieving the milestones and targets;

Amendment

(a) progress in CAP Strategic Plan implementation and, ***where appropriate, of the Regional Intervention Programmes***, in achieving the milestones and targets;

Amendment 192

Proposal for a regulation

Article 111 – paragraph 3 – point b

Text proposed by the Commission

(b) any issues that affect the performance of the CAP Strategic Plan and the actions taken to address those issues;

Amendment

(b) any issues that affect the performance of the CAP Strategic Plan, ***and where appropriate the Regional Intervention Programmes***, and the actions taken to address those issues;

Amendment 193

Proposal for a regulation

Article 111 – paragraph 4 – introductory part

Text proposed by the Commission

4. The Monitoring Committee shall **give** its opinion on:

Amendment

4. ***In accordance with its territorial scope***, the Monitoring Committee shall **issue** its opinion on:

Amendment 194

Proposal for a regulation
Article 111 – paragraph 4 – point a

Text proposed by the Commission

- (a) draft CAP Strategic Plan;

Amendment

- (a) ***the*** draft CAP Strategic Plan,
including where applicable Annex VI on
Regional Intervention Programmes;

Amendment 195

Proposal for a regulation
Article 111 – paragraph 4 – point e

Text proposed by the Commission

- (e) any proposal by the managing ***authority*** for the amendment of the CAP Strategic Plan.

Amendment

- (e) any proposal by the managing ***authorities*** for the amendment of the CAP Strategic Plan, ***and where appropriate the***
Regional Intervention Programmes.

Amendment 196

Proposal for a regulation
Article 112 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

1. At the initiative of a Member State, the EAFRD may support actions which are necessary for the effective administration and implementation of support in relation to the CAP Strategic Plan, including the establishing and operating of the national CAP networks referred to in Article 113(1). The actions referred to in this paragraph may concern previous and subsequent CAP Strategic Plan periods.

Amendment

1. At the initiative of a Member State, ***and where applicable of the regions***, the EAFRD may support actions which are necessary for the effective administration and implementation of support in relation to the CAP Strategic Plan, including ***for Local Action Groups and*** the establishing and operating of the national CAP networks referred to in Article 113(1). The actions referred to in this paragraph may concern previous and subsequent CAP Strategic Plan periods.

Amendment 197

Proposal for a regulation
Article 113 – paragraph 3 – point f a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(fa) support capacity-building of Local Action Groups and of those staff of Managing Authorities and Paying Agencies which handle the relationship with Local Action Groups; and support inter-regional and transnational cooperation between Local Action Groups, including such Groups located in EU-candidate, Associate or Neighbourhood countries .

Amendment 198

Proposal for a regulation Article 115 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

1. Member States shall **establish** a performance framework **which shall allow** reporting, monitoring and evaluation of the performance of the CAP Strategic Plan during its implementation.

1. Member States **and, for Regional Intervention Programmes set out in Article 95, regional managing authorities,** shall **develop** a performance framework **for** reporting, monitoring and evaluation of the performance of the CAP Strategic Plan during its implementation.

Amendment 199

Proposal for a regulation Article 115 – paragraph 3 – point a

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(a) the content of CAP Strategic Plans;

(a) the content of **draft** CAP Strategic Plans, **including where applicable the Regional Intervention Programmes;**

Amendment 200

Proposal for a regulation Article 118 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

Member States shall ensure that beneficiaries of support under the CAP Strategic Plan interventions and local action groups shall undertake to provide to the Managing **Authority** or other bodies delegated to perform functions on its behalf, all the information necessary for the purpose of monitoring and evaluation of the CAP Strategic Plan.

Amendment

Member States shall ensure that beneficiaries of support under the CAP Strategic Plan interventions and local action groups shall undertake to provide to the Managing **Authorities** or other bodies delegated to perform functions on its behalf, all the information necessary for the purpose of monitoring and evaluation of the CAP Strategic Plan.

Amendment 201

**Proposal for a regulation
Article 119 – paragraph 1**

Text proposed by the Commission

The Managing **Authority** and the Monitoring **Committee** shall monitor the implementation of the CAP Strategic Plan and progress made towards achieving the targets of the CAP Strategic Plan on the basis of the output and result indicators.

Amendment

The Managing **Authorities** and the Monitoring **Committees** shall monitor the implementation of the CAP Strategic Plan, **and where applicable the Regional Intervention Programmes**, and progress made towards achieving the targets of the CAP Strategic Plan on the basis of the output and result indicators.

Amendment 202

**Proposal for a regulation
Article 122 – paragraph 1**

Text proposed by the Commission

1. Member States shall organise each year an annual review meeting with the Commission, to be chaired jointly or by the Commission, which will take place not earlier than two months after the submission of the annual performance report.

Amendment

1. Member States, **and where applicable the regions**, shall organise each year an annual review meeting with the Commission, to be chaired jointly or by the Commission, which will take place not earlier than two months after the submission of the annual performance report.

Amendment 203

Proposal for a regulation
Article 125 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

1. Member States shall carry out ex-ante evaluations to improve the quality of the design of their CAP Strategic Plans.

Amendment

1. Member States, **and where applicable the regions**, shall carry out ex-ante evaluations to improve the quality of the design of their CAP Strategic Plans.

Amendment 204

Proposal for a regulation
Article 125 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

2. The ex-ante evaluation shall be carried out under the responsibility of the **authority** responsible for the preparation of the CAP Strategic Plan.

Amendment

2. The ex-ante evaluation shall be carried out under the responsibility of the **authorities** responsible for the preparation of the CAP Strategic Plan.

Amendment 205

Proposal for a regulation
Article 125 – paragraph 3 – point a

Text proposed by the Commission

(a) the contribution of the CAP Strategic Plan to the CAP specific objectives, taking into account national **and** regional needs and potential for development as well as lessons drawn from implementation of the CAP in previous programming periods;

Amendment

(a) the contribution of the CAP Strategic Plan to the CAP specific objectives, taking into account **not only** national **needs but also** regional needs and **the need to help the rural areas meet their** potential for development, as well as lessons drawn from implementation of the CAP in previous programming periods;

Amendment 206

Proposal for a regulation
Article 126 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

1. Member States shall carry out evaluations of the CAP Strategic Plans ***shall be carried out by the*** to improve the quality of the design and implementation of the plans, as well as to assess their effectiveness, efficiency, relevance, coherence, Union added value and impact in relation to their contribution to the CAP general and specific objectives set out in Articles 5 and 6(1).

1. Member States, ***and where applicable the regions,*** shall carry out evaluations of the CAP Strategic Plans, ***including where applicable the Regional Intervention Programmes,*** to improve the quality of the design and implementation of the plans, as well as to assess their effectiveness, efficiency, relevance, coherence, Union added value and impact in relation to their contribution to the CAP general and specific objectives set out in Articles 5 and 6(1).

Amendment 207

Proposal for a regulation Article 126 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

2. Member States shall entrust evaluations to functionally independent experts.

Amendment

2. Member States, ***and where applicable the regions,*** shall entrust evaluations to functionally independent experts.

Amendment 208

Proposal for a regulation Article 126 – paragraph 3

Text proposed by the Commission

3. Member States shall ensure that procedures are in place to produce and collect the data necessary for evaluations.

Amendment

3. Member States, ***and where applicable the regions,*** shall ensure that procedures are in place to produce and collect the data necessary for evaluations.

Amendment 209

Proposal for a regulation Article 126 – paragraph 4

Text proposed by the Commission

4. Member States shall be responsible

Amendment

4. Member States, ***and where***

for evaluating the adequacy of the CAP Strategic Plan interventions for the purpose of achieving the specific objectives set out in Article 6(1).

applicable the regions, shall be responsible for evaluating the adequacy of the CAP Strategic Plan interventions for the purpose of achieving the specific objectives set out in Article 6(1).

Amendment 210

Proposal for a regulation Article 126 – paragraph 5

Text proposed by the Commission

5. Member States shall draw up an evaluation plan providing indications on intended evaluation activities during the implementation period.

Amendment

5. Member States, ***and where applicable the regions***, shall draw up an evaluation plan providing indications on intended evaluation activities during the implementation period.

Amendment 211

Proposal for a regulation Article 126 – paragraph 6

Text proposed by the Commission

6. Member States shall submit the evaluation plan to the Monitoring Committee no later than one year after the adoption of the CAP Strategic Plan.

Amendment

6. Member States, ***and where applicable the regions***, shall submit the evaluation plan to the Monitoring Committee no later than one year after the adoption of the CAP Strategic Plan.

Amendment 212

Proposal for a regulation Article 126 – paragraph 7

Text proposed by the Commission

7. The Managing ***Authority*** shall be responsible for completing a comprehensive evaluation of the CAP Strategic Plan by 31/12/2031.

Amendment

7. The Managing ***Authorities*** shall be responsible for completing a comprehensive evaluation of the CAP Strategic Plan by 31/12/2031.

Amendment 213

Proposal for a regulation Article 141 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

Article 141a

Reports

No later than 31 December 2025, the European Commission will submit a report on the impact that the Common Agricultural Policy has had on the separate island regions referred to in Article 135. That report shall be accompanied by proposals to amend the strategic plans to take into account the specific features of those areas and to improve the outcomes hoped for in line with the objectives set out in Article 6(1).

Amendment 214

Proposal for a regulation Annex I – column 3 – Result indicators – R.3

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

R.3 ***Digitising agriculture***: Share of farmers benefitting from support to precision farming technology through CAP

R.3 ***Precision farming***: Share of farmers benefitting from support to ***appropriate*** precision farming technology through CAP ***that leads to reduced input dependency and resource use***

Amendment 215

Proposal for a regulation Annex I – column 3 – Result indicators – R.6 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

R.6a Maintaining and increasing the number of farmers: Number of CAP

Amendment 216

Proposal for a regulation

Annex I – column 3 – Result indicators – R.10

Text proposed by the Commission

R.10 Better supply chain organisation:
Share of farmers participating in supported
Producer Groups, Producer Organisations,
local markets, short supply chain circuits
and quality schemes

Amendment

R.10 Better supply chain organisation:
Share of farmers participating in supported
Producer Groups, Producer Organisations,
local markets, short supply chain circuits
and quality schemes, ***co-operation actions
for sharing equipment e.g. for the
diversification of crops needed for
rotation including legumes***

Amendment 217

Proposal for a regulation

Annex I – column 2 – Impact indicators – I.13

Text proposed by the Commission

I.13 Reducing soil erosion: Percentage of
land in moderate and severe soil erosion on
agricultural land

Amendment

I.13 Reducing soil erosion: Percentage of
land in moderate and severe soil erosion on
agricultural land, ***increased resilience
flooding***

Amendment 218

Proposal for a regulation

Annex I – column 2 – Impact indicators – I.13 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

***I.13a Building topsoils and increase the
resilience of soils against extreme weather
conditions, boosting humification:
Percentage of humus in topsoils***

Amendment 219

Proposal for a regulation

Annex I – column 3 – Result indicators – R.18

Text proposed by the Commission

R.18: Improving soils: Share of agricultural land under management commitments beneficial for soil management

Amendment

R. 18 Improving soils ***and increase their resilience against extreme weather conditions***: Share of agricultural land under management commitments beneficial for soil management, ***as outlined in the FAO Voluntary Guidelines for Soil Sustainable Management Practices***

Amendment 220

Proposal for a regulation

Annex I – column 3 – Result indicators – R.18 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

R.18a Soil health: Abundance and diversity of soil biota

Amendment 221

Proposal for a regulation

Annex I – column 3 – Result indicators – R.24 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

R. 24a Protection of soils: Share of arable land where intercropping and mixed cropping using legumes is applied; share of arable land where crop rotations including a leguminous component are applied

Amendment 222

Proposal for a regulation

Annex I – column 2 – Impact indicators – I.20 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

I.20a Pollinators Index, including bees and butterflies

Justification

Ongoing technical work on creating an index for pollinators needs to be accelerated and prioritized. Populations of wild pollinators have declined rapidly in recent decades and have begun to show signs of impacting agricultural output. It is crucial to prioritise the setting up of new indicators in this area, which must be ready by 2021.

Amendment 223

Proposal for a regulation

Annex I – column 3 – Result indicators – R.26

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

R.26: Protecting forest ecosystems: Share of forest land under management commitments for supporting landscape, biodiversity and ecosystem services

R.26: Protecting forest ecosystems: Share of forest land under management commitments for supporting landscape, biodiversity and ecosystem services, ***in accordance with the requirements of the EU biodiversity strategy***

Amendment 224

Proposal for a regulation

Annex I – column 3 – Result indicators – R.26 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

R. 26a Boosting on farm biodiversity: Share of land in agricultural areas devoted to non-productive features (GAEC 9) which is pesticide free

Amendment 225

Proposal for a regulation

Annex I – column 3 – Result indicators – R.27

Text proposed by the Commission

R.27 Preserving habitats and species: Share of agricultural land under management commitments supporting biodiversity conservation or restoration

Amendment

R.27 Preserving habitats and species: Share of agricultural land under management commitments supporting biodiversity conservation or restoration, ***covering both wild and domestic species, in accordance with the requirements of the EU biodiversity strategy***

Amendment 226

Proposal for a regulation

Annex I – column 3 – Result indicators – R.27 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

R. 27a Supporting the sustainable use of crop biodiversity: Share of EU utilised agricultural area (UAA) where crop rotation is practiced

Amendment 227

Proposal for a regulation

Annex I – column 3 – Result indicators – R.29

Text proposed by the Commission

R.29 Preserving landscape features: Share of agriculture land under commitments for managing landscape features, including hedgerows

Amendment

R.29 Preserving landscape features ***and green infrastructure, including trees***: Share of agriculture land under commitments for managing landscape features and green infrastructure, including hedgerows ***and trees***

Amendment 228

Proposal for a regulation

Annex I – column 1 – EU specific objectives – row 8

Text proposed by the Commission

Attract young farmers and facilitate business development in rural areas

Amendment

Attract young **and new** farmers and facilitate business development in rural areas

Amendment 229

Proposal for a regulation

Annex I – column 2 – Impact indicators – I.21

Text proposed by the Commission

I.21 Attracting young farmers: Evolution of number of new farmers

Amendment

I.21 Attracting young **and new** farmers: Evolution of number of new farmers

Amendment 230

Proposal for a regulation

Annex I – column 3 – Result indicators – R.30

Text proposed by the Commission

R. 30 **Generational renewal:** Number of young farmers setting up a farm with support from the CAP

Amendment

R. 30 Number of young **and new** farmers setting up a farm with support from the CAP

Amendment 231

Proposal for a regulation

Annex I – column 2 – Impact indicators – I.26 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

I.26a Sustainable use of veterinary products in livestock: Sales/use in food

producing animals

Justification

Veterinary products can also pose risks to health and environment. This is the reason why the same rules and precautions used for pesticides should be taken into account for these products. For further information, please consult: https://www.unaf-apiculture.info/IMG/pdf/rapport_pesticideselevageabeilles_vf_final_112018.pdf.

Amendment 232

Proposal for a regulation

Annex I – column 2 – Impact indicators – I.27

Text proposed by the Commission

I.27 Sustainable use of pesticides: Reduce **risks** and **impacts of** pesticides**

Amendment

I.27 Sustainable use of pesticides: Reduce **use** and **dependency on** pesticides**

Amendment 233

Proposal for a regulation

Annex I – column 3 – Result indicators – R.36 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

R. 36a Sustainable use of veterinary products: Reduced sales of antibiotics, share of livestock units covered by supported actions to limit the use of veterinary products

Amendment 234

Proposal for a regulation

Annex I – column 3 – Result indicators – R.37

Text proposed by the Commission

R.37 Sustainable pesticide use: Share of agricultural land concerned by supported specific actions which **lead to a**

Amendment

R.37 Sustainable pesticide use: Share of agricultural land concerned by supported specific actions which reduce **use and**

*sustainable use of pesticides in order to
reduce risks and impacts of pesticides*

dependency on pesticides

Amendment 235

Proposal for a regulation

Annex III – column 4 – Requirements and standards – row 6

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

Establishment of buffer strips along water
courses

Establishment of buffer strips along water
courses ***without use of agrochemicals***

Justification

*Buffer strips are effective for reducing the contamination of water courses, but can only be
used for the promotion of biodiversity if pesticide use is banned.*

Amendment 236

Proposal for a regulation

Annex III – column 5 – Main objective of the standard – row 6

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

Protection of river courses against
pollution and run-off

Protection of river courses ***and aquatic
species or ecosystems*** against pollution,
toxicity and run-off

Amendment 237

Proposal for a regulation

Annex III – column 4 – Requirements and standards – row 7

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

Use of Farm Sustainability Tool for
Nutrients

Use of Farm Sustainability Tool for
***monitoring all agricultural inputs and
tools to monitor soil life and humification***

Amendment 238

Proposal for a regulation

Annex III – column 4 – Requirements and standards – row 8

Text proposed by the Commission

Tillage management ***reducing the risk of*** soil degradation, including slope consideration

Amendment

Tillage management ***preventing*** soil degradation, including slope consideration, ***and ensuring soil's ability to retain water***

Amendment 239

Proposal for a regulation

Annex III – column 5 – Main objective of the standard – row 8

Text proposed by the Commission

Minimum land management reflecting site specific conditions ***to limit erosion***

Amendment

Minimum land management ***requirements with regard to soil's ability to retain water*** reflecting ***occurrence of draught and*** site specific conditions

Amendment 240

Proposal for a regulation

Annex X – title

Text proposed by the Commission

MINIMUM AMOUNTS RESERVED FOR THE OBJECTIVE "ATTRACT YOUNG FARMERS AND FACILITATE BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT" AS REFERRED TO IN ARTICLE 86(5)

Amendment

MINIMUM AMOUNTS RESERVED FOR THE OBJECTIVE "ATTRACT YOUNG ***AND NEW*** FARMERS AND FACILITATE BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT" AS REFERRED TO IN ARTICLE 86(5)

Amendment 241

Proposal for a regulation

Annex XII – column 1 – Objectives – row 7

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

Attract young farmers and facilitate
business development

Attract young ***and new*** farmers and
facilitate business development

Amendment 242

Proposal for a regulation

Annex XII – column 2 – Core set of indicators – row 10

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

R.30 ***Generational renewal:*** Number of
young farmers setting up a farm with
support from the CAP

R.30 Number of young ***and new*** farmers
setting up a farm with support from the
CAP

PROCEDURE – COMMITTEE ASKED FOR OPINION

Title	Establishing rules on support for strategic plans to be drawn up by Member States under the Common agricultural policy (CAP Strategic Plans) and financed by the European Agricultural Guarantee Fund (EAGF) and by the European Agricultural Fund for Rural Development (EAFRD)
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Result of final vote	+: 31 –: 0 0: 0
Members present for the final vote	Pascal Arimont, Franc Bogovič, Victor Boștinăru, Mercedes Bresso, Rosa D’Amato, Tamás Deutsch, Iratxe García Pérez, Krzysztof Hetman, Ivan Jakovčić, Sławomir Kłosowski, Constanze Krehl, Louis-Joseph Manscour, Martina Michels, Iskra Mihaylova, Andrey Novakov, Mirosław Piotrowski, Stanislav Polčák, Liliana Rodrigues, Fernando Ruas, Monika Smolková, Ramón Luis Valcárcel Siso, Matthijs van Miltenburg, Lambert van Nistelrooij, Derek Vaughan
Substitutes present for the final vote	Martina Anderson, Raffaele Fitto, Elsi Katainen, Ivana Maletić, Bronis Ropë, Davor Škrlec
Substitutes under Rule 200(2) present for the final vote	Anna Hedh

FINAL VOTE BY ROLL CALL IN COMMITTEE ASKED FOR OPINION

31	+
ALDE	Ivan Jakovčič, Elsi Katainen, Iskra Mihaylova, Matthijs van Miltenburg
ECR	Raffaele Fitto, Sławomir Kłosowski, Mirosław Piotrowski
EFDD	Rosa D'Amato
GUE/NGL	Martina Anderson, Martina Michels
PPE	Pascal Arimont, Franc Bogovič, Tamás Deutsch, Krzysztof Hetman, Ivana Maletić, Lambert van Nistelrooij, Andrey Novakov, Stanislav Polčák, Fernando Ruas, Ramón Luis Valcárcel Siso
S&D	Victor Boştinaru, Mercedes Bresso, Iratxe García Pérez, Anna Hedh, Constanze Krehl, Louis-Joseph Manscour, Liliana Rodrigues, Monika Smolková, Derek Vaughan
VERTS/ALE	Bronis Ropė, Davor Škrlec

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Key to symbols:

+ : in favour

- : against

0 : abstention

4.3.2019

OPINION OF THE COMMITTEE ON WOMEN'S RIGHTS AND GENDER EQUALITY

for the Committee on Agriculture and Rural Development

on the proposal for a regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council establishing rules on support for strategic plans to be drawn up by Member States under the Common agricultural policy (CAP Strategic Plans) and financed by the European Agricultural Guarantee Fund (EAGF) and by the European Agricultural Fund for Rural Development (EAFRD) and repealing Regulation (EU) No 1305/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council and Regulation (EU) No 1307/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council
(COM(2018)0392 – C8-0248/2018 – 2018/0216(COD))

Rapporteur for opinion: Marijana Petir

SHORT JUSTIFICATION

The principle of equality between women and men should be better reflected in the provisions of the CAP, with a view to improving the participation of women in the socio-economic development of rural areas and ensuring that the work that women do is more visible and better appreciated.

The EU's rural areas are facing structural problems, so in order to foster the greater inclusion of women in the rural economy, we need new rural value chains, including, in particular, new opportunities linked to the development of 'smart villages' across Europe.

Female entrepreneurship is a sustainable development pillar in rural areas and should be promoted and supported by Member States in their strategic plans. Member States should have the possibility, if they consider it necessary, to set additional criteria for the use of reserves for payment entitlements in order to direct them to a greater degree towards female holders of agricultural holdings.

Particular attention should be paid to increasing employment opportunities for women. This calls for the development of digital infrastructure and care services (for children and the

elderly) linked to the development of work-life balance policies.

Through strategic plans, Member States may set more favourable conditions for women in rural areas and thus improve their access to financial instruments, farmland and credit.

Thematic subprogrammes should be designed to empower women in rural areas.

Strategic plans may also provide for additional criteria for certain types of interventions, and support may be provided for the establishment and implementation of thematic subprogrammes for the empowerment of rural women.

The Managing Authority of the CAP Strategic Plan shall define the selection criteria for the interventions to ensure equal treatment of all applicants. Member States may decide to use a certain proportion of the EAFRD allocations with a view to assisting young women farmers and women in rural areas.

AMENDMENTS

The Committee on Women's Rights and Gender Equality 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 9 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(9 a) Equality between women and men is a core principle of the European Union and the gender mainstreaming is an important tool in the integration of this principle to the CAP. In this view a particular focus on promoting the participation of women in the socio-economic development of rural areas, including their access to education, vocational and professional trainings, employment and social protection. The size of female-operated farms tends to be smaller and the work performed by women, as farms' spouse, is not always recognised and visible, which impacts their economic independence and

consequently results with gender pay and pension gaps, lack of social protection. This Regulation should help to ensure that the work that women do is more visible, better appreciated and taken into account within the specific objectives to be proposed by the Member States in their strategic plans. Gender equality as well as non-discrimination principles should be integral part of preparation, implementation and evaluation of CAP interventions, whereas the strategic plans developed, implemented, monitored and evaluated in a gender-sensitive manner. In this respect, Member States shall ensure equal access for women and men farmers to farm advisory services and encourage women to take part in the CAP Monitoring Committee. Member States shall also strengthen their capacity in gender mainstreaming and in collection of sex-disaggregated data.

Amendment 2

Proposal for a regulation Recital 9 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(9a) In order to ensure consistency between the direct payments types of interventions and rural development types of interventions when addressing the objective of attracting women farmers, a framework definition for ‘women farmer’ with the essential elements should be set out at Union level.

Amendment 3

Proposal for a regulation Recital 15

Text proposed by the Commission

(15) In the context of greater market-orientation of the CAP, as outlined by the Communication on ‘The Future of Food and Farming’, market exposure, climate change and associated frequency and severity of extreme weather events, as well as sanitary and phytosanitary crises, may lead to risks of price volatility and increasing pressures on incomes. Thus, although farmers are ultimately responsible for designing their on-farm strategies, a robust framework should be set up to ensure appropriate risk management. To this aim, Member States and farmers may be able to draw on a Union-level platform on risk management for capacity-building in order to provide farmers with adequate financial instruments for investments and access to working capital, training, knowledge transfer and advice.

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Amendment 4

Proposal for a regulation

Recital 16 – point 1

Text proposed by the Commission

As many rural areas in the Union suffer from structural problems such as lack of attractive employment opportunities, skill shortages, underinvestment in connectivity, infrastructures and essential services, as well as youth drain, it is fundamental to strengthen the socio-economic fabric in those areas, in line with the Cork 2.0.

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Amendment 5

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Amendment 6

Proposal for a regulation Recital 16 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(16a) For the socio-economic sustainability of the rural areas, the European Commission shall check that the Member States ensure in the CAP Strategic Plan a coherence between the application of the Directive 2010/41/EU and the long term approach on the use of Rural Development funds.

Amendment 7

Proposal for a regulation Recital 27

Text proposed by the Commission

(27) When providing decoupled direct support based on the system of payment entitlements, Member States should continue to manage a national reserve or reserves per group of territories. Such reserves should be used, as a matter of priority, for young farmers and farmers commencing their agricultural activity. Rules on the use and transfers of payment entitlements are also necessary in order to guarantee a smooth functioning of the system.

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Amendment 8

**Proposal for a regulation
Recital 30 a (new)**

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(30a) Female entrepreneurship, in social, economic and environmental terms, is an important sustainable development pillar in rural areas and should be promoted, encouraged and supported by Member States in their strategic plans. Member States should be allowed to establish an additional criterion for the use of the reserve for payment entitlements that would also cover female holders of agricultural holdings.

Amendment 9

Proposal for a regulation Recital 41 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(41a) When investing in infrastructure, services and the acquisition of knowledge and skills, Member States should, as part of their strategic plans, consider building necessary infrastructure that forms part of a local development strategy and is also tailored to the needs of rural women. Such infrastructure should be aimed at providing the necessary assistance and support for the empowerment of women and the promotion of their employment. In order to reduce the gender employment gap and to increase female employment, it is necessary for Member States' Strategic Plans to promote the development of policies aimed at achieving a work-life balance. The development of care services and the building up of related infrastructure can contribute significantly to this. Support for this and similar measures may be funded under the subprogramme for women's empowerment in rural areas, and for this purpose the InvestEU and the ESF + programmes may be used in synergy.

Amendment 10

Proposal for a regulation Recital 41 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(41a) Taking into account the on-going development of digitalisation in agricultural sector, Member States may develop sub-programme to upgrade digital skills in rural areas and may take further measures to minimize the digital gender

gap by facilitating women's access to life-long learning, vocational and professional training in rural areas.

Amendment 11

Proposal for a regulation

Recital 42

Text proposed by the Commission

(42) In the light of the need to fill the investment gap in the Union agricultural sector and improve access to financial instruments for priority groups, notably young farmers and new entrants with higher risk profiles, use of the InvestEU guarantee and combination of grants and financial instruments should be encouraged. Since the use of financial instruments across Member States varies considerably as a result of differences in terms of access to finance, banking sector development, presence of risk capital, familiarity of public administrations and potential range of beneficiaries, Member States should establish in the CAP Strategic Plan appropriate targets, beneficiaries and preferential conditions, and other possible eligibility rules.

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Amendment 12

Proposal for a regulation

Recital 43

Text proposed by the Commission

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Amendment 13

Proposal for a regulation Recital 43 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(43a) Recognising the importance of lifelong education and training for farmers, including education and training for women in rural areas, and taking into account the continually changing nature of the labour market, appropriate education, training and retraining programmes should be provided in order to help reduce female unemployment in rural areas and to eliminate income and pension disparities between women and men.

Amendment 14

Proposal for a regulation Recital 43 b (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(43b) In order to promote the principle of equality between women and men, Member States may, in their CAP Strategic Plans, set out specific conditions for financial instruments related to improving the situation of rural women and their business opportunities. They should therefore consider prioritising women, where necessary, in their CAP Strategic Plans, in order, inter alia, to ensure better access to farmland and credit, and to encourage female entrepreneurship, thus contributing to a greater representation of rural women among farm holders and entrepreneurs.

Amendment 15

Proposal for a regulation Recital 73

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(73) Each CAP Strategic Plan should be subject to regular monitoring of the implementation and of progress towards the established targets. Such a performance, monitoring and evaluation framework of the CAP should be set up with the purpose of demonstrating the progress and assessing the impact and efficiency of policy implementation.

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Amendment 16

Proposal for a regulation Recital 74

Text proposed by the Commission

(74) The result-orientation triggered by the delivery model requires a strong performance framework, particularly since CAP Strategic Plans would contribute to broad general objectives for other shared managed policies. A performance-based policy implies annual and multi-annual assessment on the basis of selected outputs, result and impact indicators, as defined in the performance monitoring and evaluation framework. To this end, a limited and targeted set of indicators should be selected in a way which reflects as closely as possible whether the supported intervention contributes to achieving the envisaged objectives. Result and output indicators relating to climate- and environment-related objectives may include interventions set out in national environmental and climate-planning instruments emanating from Union legislation.

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Amendment 17

Proposal for a regulation

Article 4 – paragraph 1 – introductory part

Text proposed by the Commission

1. Member States shall provide in their CAP Strategic Plan the definitions of agricultural activity, agricultural area, eligible hectare, genuine farmer and young farmer:

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Amendment 18

Proposal for a regulation

Article 4 – paragraph 1 – point d a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(da) 'women farmer' shall be defined in a way that it includes:

(i) being a woman;

(ii) the conditions for being 'head of the holding';

(iii) the appropriate training and/or skills required.

Amendment 19

Proposal for a regulation

Article 5 – paragraph 1 – point c

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(c) to strengthen the socio-economic fabric of rural areas.

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Amendment 20

Proposal for a regulation

Article 6 – paragraph 1 – point h

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(h) promote employment, growth, social inclusion and local development in rural areas, including bio-economy and sustainable forestry;

(h) promote employment, **including special attention to women, advance equality between women and men and improve participation of women in economic activities, promote sustainable** growth, social inclusion and local development in rural areas, including bio-economy and sustainable forestry;

Amendment 21

Proposal for a regulation

Article 7 – paragraph 1 – subparagraph 2 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

Member States will be able to add gender-sensitive indicators by breaking down the common output, result and impact indicators, which are set out in Annex I into details in their Strategic Plan.

Amendment 22

Proposal for a regulation Article 9 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

Member States shall design the interventions of their CAP Strategic Plans in accordance with the Charter of Fundamental Rights of the European Union and the general principles of Union law.

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Amendment 23

Proposal for a regulation Article 13 – paragraph 3 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

3a. Member States shall be able to develop sub-programmes in the Strategic Plan to promote young farmers' and women farmers' access to the farm advisory services.

Amendment 24

Proposal for a regulation Article 22 – paragraph 4 – point b a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(b a) In the cases referred to in subparagraphs (a) and (b), Member States may consider, when possible, granting priority to women, in particular women farmers who have set up a holding for the first time, in order to achieve the objective referred to in point (h) of Article 6(1).

Amendment 25

Proposal for a regulation

Article 64 – paragraph 1 – point e a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(e a) thematic sub-programme for women in rural areas;

Amendment 26

Proposal for a regulation

Article 64 – paragraph 1 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

Member States may, in their Strategic Plans, provide for additional criteria for the types of intervention referred to paragraph 1 of this Article and consider developing gender-sensitive indicators to monitor and evaluate these interventions with a view to strengthening the position of women in rural areas in order to achieve the specific objectives set out in Article 6(1).

Amendment 27

Proposal for a regulation

Article 68 – paragraph 4 – subparagraph 2 – point b

Text proposed by the Commission

(b) investments in basic services in rural areas;

Amendment

(b) investments in basic services in rural areas, ***including childcare and long-term care services and infrastructure***;

Amendment 28

Proposal for a regulation Article 68 b (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

Article 68b

Installation of women farmers

1. Member States shall grant support for the installation of women farmers 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.

2. Member States may only grant support under this type of interventions to help the installation of women farmers who fulfil the conditions included in the definition set out in point (d a) of Article 4(1);

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.

Amendment 29

Proposal for a regulation Article 69 – paragraph 3

Text proposed by the Commission

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

Amendment

3. Member States shall set conditions for the submission and the content of a business plan. ***Programmes with a particular focus on female entrepreneurship shall be encouraged.***

Amendment 30

Proposal for a regulation Article 69 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

Article 69 a

Thematic sub-programmes for women in rural areas

1. Member States may grant support for the establishment and implementation of thematic sub-programmes for women in rural areas and to facilitate installation of women farmers encouraging female entrepreneurship in accordance with the terms of this Article and in accordance with their CAP Strategic Plans, this way contributing to the achievement of the specific objectives set out in Article 6(1).

Such thematic sub-programmes may aim at improving women farmers' access to land, credit and financial instruments, promoting their performance and upgrading their knowledge and skills through education and training, promoting women's employment in rural areas, increasing their participation in local action groups and the development of local partnerships under the Leader programme, promoting their use of advisory services, this way addressing gender pay and pension gaps, improving work-life balance and further preventing women in rural areas from social exclusion.

In addition, Member States may specifically cover the costs of measures facilitating the exchange of good practices regarding formalisation of the invisible work done by women in rural areas, this way ensuring their social security coverage and practical implementation of the Directive 2010/41/EU.

Amendment 31

Proposal for a regulation

Article 73 – paragraph 1 – subparagraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

The Managing Authority of the CAP Strategic Plan or other designated intermediate bodies shall define selection criteria for interventions relating to the following types of interventions: investments, installation of young farmers and rural business start-up, cooperation, knowledge exchange and information, after consultation of the Monitoring Committee referred to in Article 111. Selection criteria shall aim to ensure equal treatment of applicants, better use of financial resources and targeting of the support in accordance with the purpose of the interventions.

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Amendment 32

Proposal for a regulation

Article 86 – paragraph 4

Text proposed by the Commission

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Amendment

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facilitate business development' set out in point (g) of Article 6(1). On the basis of the analysis of the situation in terms of strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and threats ('the SWOT analysis'), ***with due regard to the principle of equality between women and men*** and the identification of the needs that are to be addressed, the amount shall be used for the following types of interventions:

Amendment 33

Proposal for a regulation Article 86 – paragraph 7

Text proposed by the Commission

7. Member States may decide in their CAP Strategic Plan to use a certain share of the EAFRD allocation to leverage support and upscale integrated Strategic Nature Projects as defined under the [LIFE Regulation] and to finance actions in respect of transnational learning mobility of people in the field agricultural and rural development with a focus on young farmers, in accordance with the [Erasmus Regulation].

Amendment

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Amendment 34

Proposal for a regulation Article 86 – paragraph 3 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

3a. For each Member State the minimum amount set out in Annex Xa shall be reserved for contributing to the objective 'attract women farmers'. On the basis of the gender impact assessment, the analysis of the situation in terms of strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and

threats ('the SWOT analysis') and the identification of the needs that are to be addressed, the amount shall be used for the following type of intervention:

the installation of women farmers referred to in Article 68b.

Amendment 35

Proposal for a regulation

Article 86 – paragraph 4 – introductory part

Text proposed by the Commission

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Amendment

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Amendment 36

Proposal for a regulation

Article 95 – paragraph 2 – point a a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(aa) Annex Ia on the gender impact assessment;

Amendment 37

Proposal for a regulation

Article 96 – paragraph 1 – point a

Text proposed by the Commission

(a) summary of the SWOT analysis as referred to in Article 103(2);

Amendment

(a) summary of the SWOT analysis as referred to in Article 103(2), ***a gender perspective shall be incorporated into the analysis;***

Amendment 38

Proposal for a regulation

Article 96 – paragraph 3

Text proposed by the Commission

Member States shall use the most recent and most reliable data for this assessment.

Amendment

Member States shall use the most recent and most reliable data for this assessment. ***Member States shall make use of sex-disaggregated data when necessary.***

Amendment 39

Proposal for a regulation

Article 97 – paragraph 2 – point e a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(ea) An explanation as to which interventions will contribute to achieving greater gender equality and to promote women's development in rural areas;

Amendment 40

Proposal for a regulation

Article 103 – paragraph 2 – subparagraph 5 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

For the specific objectives set out in Article 6(1), the SWOT analysis shall be

*developed in a gender-responsive manner
when necessary.*

Amendment 41

Proposal for a regulation Article 106 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

2. The Commission shall assess the proposed CAP Strategic Plans on the basis of the completeness of the plans, the consistency and coherence with the general principles of Union law, with this Regulation and the provisions adopted pursuant to it and with the Horizontal Regulation, their effective contribution to the specific objectives set out in Article 6(1), the impact on the proper functioning of the internal market and distortion of competition, the level of administrative burden on beneficiaries and administration. The assessment shall address, in particular, the adequacy of the strategy of the CAP Strategic Plan, the corresponding specific objectives, targets, interventions and the allocation of budgetary resources to meet the specific CAP Strategic Plan objectives through the proposed set of interventions on the basis of the SWOT analysis and the ex-ante evaluation.

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Amendment 42

Proposal for a regulation Article 110 – paragraph 2 – point a a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(aa) ensure the implementation of gender mainstreaming throughout the preparation, implementation and evaluation of the interventions of the CAP

Amendment 43

Proposal for a regulation

Article 111 – paragraph 2 – subparagraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

The Member State shall decide the composition of the Monitoring Committee and shall ensure a balanced representation of the relevant public authorities and intermediate bodies and of representatives of the partners referred to in Article 94(3).

Amendment

The Member State shall decide the composition of the Monitoring Committee and shall ensure a balanced representation of the relevant public authorities and intermediate bodies and of representatives of the partners referred to in Article 94(3), ***including at least one representative of a relevant body responsible for promoting gender equality. Member States shall ensure equal access of women and men to CAP Monitoring Committee and encourage it to include female members.***

Amendment 44

Proposal for a regulation

Article 111 – paragraph 3 – point d a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(d a) the development, implementation, monitoring and evaluation of CAP Strategic Plan with the use of gender mainstreaming approach.

Amendment 45

Proposal for a regulation

Article 113 – paragraph 3 – point c a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(c a) exchange best practices on women's empowerment in rural areas;

Amendment 46

Proposal for a regulation

Article 113 – paragraph 3 – point e a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(e a) contribution to capacity building for Member States administrations in gender mainstreaming and gender budgeting of CAP Strategic Plan, the collection and use of sex-disaggregated data and creation of a platform for stakeholders to exchange the best practices on women's empowerment in rural areas at different levels linked with the specific objectives set out in Article 6 (1);

Amendment 47

Proposal for a regulation

Article 115 – paragraph 2 – point c

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(c) data collection, storage and transmission;

(c) data collection, storage and transmission, ***including collection of sex-disaggregated data;***

Amendment 48

Proposal for a regulation

Article 115 – paragraph 2 – point f

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(f) the ex-ante, interim, and ex post evaluations and all other evaluation activities linked to the CAP Strategic Plan;

(f) the ex-ante, interim, and ex post evaluations and all other evaluation activities linked to the CAP Strategic Plan, ***which should also address women's needs in rural areas;***

Amendment 49

Proposal for a regulation

Article 116 – paragraph 1 – point a

Text proposed by the Commission

(a) assess the impact, effectiveness, efficiency, relevance, coherence and Union added value of the CAP;

Amendment

(a) assess the impact, effectiveness, efficiency, relevance, coherence and Union added value of the CAP, ***including its impact on fundamental rights***;

Amendment 50

Proposal for a regulation

Article 116 – paragraph 1 – point d

Text proposed by the Commission

(d) assess the impact, effectiveness, efficiency, relevance and coherence of the interventions of the CAP Strategic Plans;

Amendment

(d) assess the impact, effectiveness, efficiency, relevance and coherence of the interventions of the CAP Strategic Plans, ***including its impact on fundamental rights***;

Amendment 51

Proposal for a regulation

Article 121 – paragraph 4 – subparagraph 1 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

Data and indicators shall be, where relevant, defined and collected disaggregated by gender.

Amendment 52

Proposal for a regulation

Article 125 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

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Amendment 53

Proposal for a regulation

Article 125 – paragraph 1 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

1a. Member States shall ensure that that the interventions proposed in the CAP Strategic Plans enhance gender equality through systematic analysis of their impact on women’s empowerment in rural areas;

Amendment 54

Proposal for a regulation

Article 125 – paragraph 3 – point g

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(g) the suitability of the procedures for monitoring the CAP Strategic Plan and for collecting the data necessary to carry out evaluations;

(g) the suitability of the procedures for monitoring the CAP Strategic Plan and for collecting the data, ***including sex-dissaggregated data***, necessary to carry out evaluations;

Amendment 55

Proposal for a regulation

Article 126 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

1. Member States shall carry out evaluations of the CAP Strategic Plans shall be carried out by the to improve the quality of the design and implementation of the plans, as well as to assess their

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effectiveness, efficiency, relevance, coherence, Union added value and impact in relation to their contribution to the CAP general and specific objectives set out in Articles 5 and 6(1). ***Such evaluations shall be carried out in a gender-sensitive manner.***

Amendment 56

Proposal for a regulation Article 127 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

2. The Commission shall carry out an interim evaluation to examine the effectiveness, efficiency, relevance, coherence and Union added value of the EAGF and the EAFRD by the end of the third year following the start of implementation of the CAP Strategic Plans taking into account the indicators set out in Annex I. The Commission may make use of all relevant information already available in accordance with Article [128] of the [New Financial Regulation].

Amendment

2. The Commission shall carry out an interim evaluation, ***using sex-disaggregated data, when possible,*** to examine the effectiveness, efficiency, relevance, coherence and Union added value of the EAGF and the EAFRD by the end of the third year following the start of implementation of the CAP Strategic Plans taking into account the indicators set out in Annex I. The Commission may make use of all relevant information already available in accordance with Article [128] of the [New Financial Regulation].

Amendment 57

Proposal for a regulation Article 127 – paragraph 3 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

3 a. A gender mainstreaming approach shall be used in the interim evaluation and ex post evaluation, with sex-disaggregated data, to evaluate the impacts and added value of CAP in promoting women's development in rural areas.

Amendment 58

Proposal for a regulation Article 127 – paragraph 4

Text proposed by the Commission

4. Based on evidence provided in evaluations on the CAP, including evaluations on CAP Strategic Plans, as well as other relevant information sources, the Commission shall present an initial report on the implementation of this Article, including first results on the performance of the CAP, to the European Parliament and the Council, after the completion of the interim evaluation. A second report including an assessment of the performance of the CAP shall be presented by 31 December 2031.

Amendment

4. Based on evidence provided in evaluations on the CAP, including evaluations on CAP Strategic Plans, as well as other relevant information sources, the Commission shall present an initial report on the implementation of this Article, including first results on the performance of the CAP, ***with due regard to the principle of gender equality as set in general objectives in Article 5 and specific objectives set in Article 6(1)***, to the European Parliament and the Council, after the completion of the interim evaluation. A second report including an assessment of the performance of the CAP shall be presented by 31 December 2031.

Amendment 59

Proposal for a regulation Article 128 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

In compliance with its reporting requirement pursuant to Article [38(3)(e)(i)] of the [New Financial Regulation], the Commission shall present to the European Parliament and the Council the performance information referred to in that Article measured by the core set of indicators set out in Annex XII.

Amendment

In compliance with its reporting requirement pursuant to Article [38(3)(e)(i)] of the [New Financial Regulation], the Commission shall present to the European Parliament and the Council the performance information referred to in that Article measured by the core set of indicators set out in Annex XII. ***Such indicators set out in Annex XII may be sex-disaggregated with an aim to achieving gender equality in the rural areas;***

Amendment 60

Proposal for a regulation Article 129 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

2. Data needed for the context and impact indicators shall primarily come from established data sources, such as the Farm Accountancy Data Network and Eurostat. Where data for these indicators are not available or not complete, the gaps shall be addressed in the context of the European Statistical Program established under Regulation (EC) No 223/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council⁴⁰, the legal framework governing the Farm Accountancy Data Network or through formal agreements with other data providers such as the Joint Research Centre and the European Environment Agency.

⁴⁰ Regulation (EC) No 223/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 March 2009 on European statistics and repealing Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 1101/2008 of the European Parliament and of the Council on the transmission of data subject to statistical confidentiality to the Statistical Office of the European Communities, Council Regulation (EC) No 322/97 on Community Statistics, and Council Decision 89/382/EEC, Euratom establishing a Committee on the Statistical Programs of the European Communities (OJ L 87, 31.3.2009, p. 164).

Amendment

2. Data needed for the context and impact indicators shall primarily come from established data sources, such as the Farm Accountancy Data Network, **EIGE** and Eurostat. Where data for these indicators are not available or not complete, the gaps shall be addressed in the context of the European Statistical Program established under Regulation (EC) No 223/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council⁴⁰, the legal framework governing the Farm Accountancy Data Network or through formal agreements with other data providers such as the Joint Research Centre and the European Environment Agency.

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Amendment 61

Proposal for a regulation

ANNEX I

IMPACT, RESULT AND OUTPUT INDICATORS PURSUANT TO ARTICLE 7

Text proposed by the Commission

EU Specific objectives	Impact indicators	Result indicators (only based on interventions supported by the CAP)
Promote employment, growth, social inclusion and local development in rural areas, including bio-economy and sustainable forestry	I.22 Contributing to jobs in rural areas: Evolution of the employment rate in predominantly rural areas I.23 Contributing to growth in rural areas: Evolution of GDP per head in predominantly rural areas 1.24 A fairer CAP: Improve the distribution of CAP support I.25 Promoting rural inclusion: Evolution of poverty index in rural areas	R.31 Growth and jobs in rural areas: New jobs in supported projects R.32 Developing the rural bioeconomy: Number of bio-economy businesses developed with support R.33 Digitising the rural economy: Rural population covered by a supported Smart Villages strategy R.34 Connecting rural Europe: Share of rural population benefitting from improved access to services and infrastructure through CAP support R.35 Promoting social inclusion: Number of people from minority and/or vulnerable groups benefitting from supported social inclusion projects

Amendment

EU Specific objectives	Impact indicators	Result indicators (only based on interventions supported by the CAP)
Promote employment, <i>including special attention to women, advance equality between women and men and improve participation of women in economic activities, promote growth, social inclusion and local development in rural areas, including bio-economy and sustainable forestry;</i>	I.21a Contributing to empower women in rural areas: Evolution of the women's rate in receiving CAP support I.22 Contributing to jobs in rural areas: Evolution of the employment rate in predominantly rural areas I.22a. Contributing to increase women's employment rate and female entrepreneurship in rural areas: Evolution of women's employment rate in predominantly rural areas I.23 Contributing to growth in rural areas: Evolution of GDP per head in predominantly rural areas 1.24 A fairer CAP: Improve the distribution of CAP support	R.30 a. Women in agricultural activities: Increasing the proportion of women who receive support under the CAP, including support from all types of CAP Payment; number of women farmers setting up a farm with support from the CAP R30 b. Young women in rural areas. Increasing the proportion of young women who receive support for the establishment of agricultural holdings or businesses under the CAP R.31 Growth and jobs in rural areas: New jobs in supported projects R.31.a Increasing female employment in rural areas. The proportion of jobs for women and female entrepreneurship in projects receiving CAP funding R.32 Developing the rural bioeconomy: Number of bio-economy businesses developed with support R.33 Digitising the rural economy: Rural population covered by a supported Smart Villages strategy

EU Specific objectives	Impact indicators	Result indicators (only based on interventions supported by the CAP)
	L.25 Promoting rural inclusion: Evolution of poverty index in rural areas, <i>disaggregated by sex</i>	R.34 Connecting rural Europe: Share of rural population benefitting from improved access to services and infrastructure through CAP support, <i>may include the share of women in rural areas receiving vocational and professional training, farm advisory services through CAP support, and the share of women participating in local action groups and local partnerships under the Leader programme.</i> R.35 Promoting social inclusion: <i>Number of people from minority and/or vulnerable groups benefitting from supported social inclusion projects, disaggregated by sex.</i>

Amendment 62

Proposal for a regulation
Annex X a (new) – Table

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

ANNEX Xa
MINIMUM AMOUNTS RESERVED FOR THE OBJECTIVE "ATTRACT WOMEN
FARMERS" AS REFERRED TO IN ARTICLE 86(3a)

<i>Calendar year</i>	<i>2021</i>	<i>2022</i>	<i>2023</i>	<i>2024</i>	<i>2025</i>	<i>2026</i>	<i>2027 and the subsequent years</i>
<i>Belgium</i>	9 712 079	9 712 079	9 712 079	9 712 079	9 712 079	9 712 079	9 712 079
<i>Bulgaria</i>	15 475 439	15 644 780	15 814 121	15 983 462	16 152 803	16 322 144	16 322 144
<i>Czech Republic</i>	16 776 886	16 776 886	16 776 886	16 776 886	16 776 886	16 776 886	16 776 886
<i>Denmark</i>	16 922 490	16 922 490	16 922 490	16 922 490	16 922 490	16 922 490	16 922 490
<i>Germany</i>	96 462 159	96 462 159	96 462 159	96 462 159	96 462 159	96 462 159	96 462 159
<i>Estonia</i>	3 354 430	3 453 356	3 552 281	3 651 206	3 750 131	3 849 057	3 849 057
<i>Ireland</i>	23 278 766	23 278 766	23 278 766	23 278 766	23 278 766	23 278 766	23 278 766
<i>Greece</i>	37 120 578	37 120 578	37 120 578	37 120 578	37 120 578	37 120 578	37 120 578
<i>Spain</i>	94 203 434	94 346 677	94 489 919	94 633 162	94 776 404	94 919 647	94 919 647
<i>France</i>	142 955 739	142 955 739	142 955 739	142 955 739	142 955 739	142 955 739	142 955 739
<i>Croatia</i>	6 886 800	7 354 228	7 354 228	7 354 228	7 354 228	7 354 228	7 354 228
<i>Italy</i>	71 203 710	71 203 710	71 203 710	71 203 710	71 203 710	71 203 710	71 203 710

<i>Cyprus</i>	935 002	935 002	935 002	935 002	935 002	935 002	935 002
<i>Latvia</i>	5 992 672	6 165 893	6 339 113	6 512 334	6 685 555	6 858 775	6 858 775
<i>Lithuania</i>	10 216 405	10 494 645	10 772 885	11 051 125	11 329 365	11 607 604	11 607 604
<i>Luxembourg</i>	642 620	642 620	642 620	642 620	642 620	642 620	642 620
<i>Hungary</i>	24 395 393	24 395 393	24 395 393	24 395 393	24 395 393	24 395 393	24 395 393
<i>Malta</i>	90 150	90 150	90 150	90 150	90 150	90 150	90 150
<i>Netherlands</i>	14 077 407	14 077 407	14 077 407	14 077 407	14 077 407	14 077 407	14 077 407
<i>Austria</i>	13 296 391	13 296 391	13 296 391	13 296 391	13 296 391	13 296 391	13 296 391
<i>Poland</i>	59 459 556	60 071 486	60 683 415	61 295 345	61 907 274	62 519 203	62 519 203
<i>Portugal</i>	11 693 003	11 865 375	12 037 746	12 210 118	12 382 490	12 554 862	12 554 862
<i>Romania</i>	37 123 452	37 664 232	38 205 012	38 745 792	39 286 572	39 827 352	39 827 352
<i>Slovenia</i>	2 581 053	2 581 053	2 581 053	2 581 053	2 581 053	2 581 053	2 581 053
<i>Slovakia</i>	7 676 128	7 771 499	7 866 870	7 962 242	8 057 613	8 152 985	8 152 985
<i>Finland</i>	10 119 993	10 155 679	10 191 365	10 227 051	10 262 736	10 298 422	10 298 422
<i>Sweden</i>	13 455 218	13 459 695	13 464 172	13 468 649	13 473 126	13 477 604	13 477 604

PROCEDURE – COMMITTEE ASKED FOR OPINION

Title	Establishing rules on support for strategic plans to be drawn up by Member States under the Common agricultural policy (CAP Strategic Plans) and financed by the European Agricultural Guarantee Fund (EAGF) and by the European Agricultural Fund for Rural Development (EAFRD)
References	COM(2018)0392 – C8-0248/2018 – 2018/0216(COD)
Committee responsible Date announced in plenary	AGRI 11.6.2018
Opinion by Date announced in plenary	FEMM 5.7.2018
Rapporteur Date appointed	Marijana Petir 4.9.2018
Discussed in committee	27.11.2018
Date adopted	26.2.2019
Result of final vote	+: 26 –: 3 0: 4
Members present for the final vote	Daniela Aiuto, Maria Arena, Heinz K. Becker, Malin Björk, Vilija Blinkevičiūtė, Iratxe García Pérez, Arne Gericke, Anna Hedh, Mary Honeyball, Teresa Jiménez-Becerril Barrio, Agnieszka Kozłowska-Rajewicz, Angelika Mlinar, Maria Noichl, Marijana Petir, João Pimenta Lopes, Terry Reintke, Michaela Šojdrová, Ernest Urtasun, Anna Záborská
Substitutes present for the final vote	Rosa Estaràs Ferragut, Urszula Krupa, Clare Moody, Branislav Škripek, Marc Tarabella, Mylène Troszczynski, Julie Ward
Substitutes under Rule 200(2) present for the final vote	Franc Bogovič, Norbert Erdős, Andrzej Grzyb, Rina Ronja Kari, Maite Pagazaurtundúa Ruiz, Sofia Ribeiro, Bronis Ropé

FINAL VOTE BY ROLL CALL IN COMMITTEE ASKED FOR OPINION

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ALDE	Angelika Mlinar, Maite Pagazaurtundúa Ruiz
EFDD	Daniela Aiuto
PPE	Heinz K. Becker, Franc Bogovič, Norbert Erdős, Rosa Estaràs Ferragut, Andrzej Grzyb, Teresa Jiménez-Becerril Barrio, Agnieszka Kozłowska-Rajewicz, Marijana Petir, Sofia Ribeiro, Michaela Šojdrová, Anna Záborská
S&D	Maria Arena, Vilija Blinkevičiūtė, Iratxe García Pérez, Anna Hedh, Mary Honeyball, Clare Moody, Maria Noichl, Marc Tarabella, Julie Ward
VERTS/ALE	Terry Reintke, Bronis Ropė, Ernest Urtasun

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ECR	Urszula Krupa, Branislav Škripek
ENF	Mylène Troszczynski

4	0
ECR	Arne Gericke
GUE/NGL	Malin Björk, Rina Ronja Kari, João Pimenta Lopes

Key to symbols:

+ : in favour

- : against

0 : abstention

PROCEDURE – COMMITTEE RESPONSIBLE

Title	Establishing rules on support for strategic plans to be drawn up by Member States under the Common agricultural policy (CAP Strategic Plans) and financed by the European Agricultural Guarantee Fund (EAGF) and by the European Agricultural Fund for Rural Development (EAFRD)			
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Date submitted to Parliament	1.6.2018			
Committee responsible Date announced in plenary	AGRI 11.6.2018			
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Rapporteurs Date appointed	Esther Herranz García 4.7.2018			
Date adopted	2.4.2019			
Result of final vote	+: -: 0:	27 17 1		
Members present for the final vote	John Stuart Agnew, Clara Eugenia Aguilera García, Eric Andrieu, José Bové, Daniel Buda, Nicola Caputo, Matt Carthy, Michel Dantin, Paolo De Castro, Albert Deß, Diane Dodds, Jørn Dohrmann, Herbert Dorfmann, Norbert Erdős, Luke Ming Flanagan, Karine Gloanec Maurin, Martin Häusling, Anja Hazekamp, Esther Herranz García, Jan Huitema, Peter Jahr, Ivan Jakovčić, Jarosław Kalinowski, Zbigniew Kuźmiuk, Norbert Lins, Philippe Loiseau, Mairead McGuinness, Giulia Moi, Ulrike Müller, James Nicholson, Maria Noichl, Marijana Petir, Laurențiu Rebega, Bronis Ropė, Maria Lidia Senra Rodríguez, Ricardo Serrão Santos, Czesław Adam Siekierski, Tibor Szanyi, Marc Tarabella, Maria Gabriela Zoană, Marco Zullo			
Substitutes present for the final vote	Franc Bogovič, Maria Heubuch, Sandra Kalniete, Elsi Katainen, Gabriel Mato, Anthea McIntyre, Sofia Ribeiro, Annie Schreijer-Pierik, Vladimir Urutchev, Thomas Waitz			
Substitutes under Rule 200(2) present for the final vote	Pilar Ayuso, Francesc Gambús, Ana Miranda, Jozo Radoš, Michaela Šojdrová, Lieve Wierinck			
Date tabled	23.5.2019			

FINAL VOTE BY ROLL CALL IN COMMITTEE RESPONSIBLE

27	+
ALDE	Jan Huitema, Ivan Jakovčić, Elsi Katainen, Ulrike Müller
ECR	Zbigniew Kuźmiuk, James Nicholson, Stanisław Ożóg, Laurențiu Rebega
GUE/NGL	Matt Carthy, Luke Ming Flanagan
PPE	Daniel Buda, Michel Dantin, Herbert Dorfmann, Norbert Erdős, Esther Herranz García, Peter Jahr, Jarosław Kalinowski, Norbert Lins, Mairead McGuinness, Gabriel Mato, Marijana Petir, Annie Schreijer-Pierik, Czesław Adam Siekierski
S&D	Clara Eugenia Aguilera García, Ricardo Serrão Santos, Tibor Szanyi, Maria Gabriela Zoană

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ECR	Jørn Dohrmann
EFDD	Marco Zullo
ENF	John Stuart Agnew, Jacques Colombier, Philippe Loiseau
GUE/NGL	Anja Hazekamp, Maria Lidia Senra Rodríguez
PPE	Albert Deß
S&D	Eric Andrieu, Nicola Caputo, Paolo De Castro, Karine Gloanec Maurin, Maria Noichl, Marc Tarabella
VERTS/ALE	Martin Häusling, Bronis Ropė, Thomas Waitz

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