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Proposal for a regulation
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Amendment 1397

Giancarlo Scottà, Carlo Fidanza, Vincenzo Iovine, Mara Bizzotto, Mario Borghezio, Lorenzo Fontana, Claudio Morganti, Fiorello Provera, Oreste Rossi, Matteo Salvini, Francesco Enrico Speroni, Lara Comi

Proposal for a regulation

Article 32 – paragraph 1 – subparagraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

Payments to farmers in mountain areas and other areas facing natural or other specific constraints shall be granted annually per hectare of UAA in order to compensate farmers for additional costs and income foregone related to the constraints for agricultural production in the area concerned.

Amendment

Payments to farmers in mountain areas and other areas facing natural or other specific constraints shall be granted annually per hectare of UAA in order to compensate farmers for additional costs and income foregone related to the constraints for agricultural production in the area concerned, ***and to avoid the risk of those areas being abandoned owing to their low profitability.***

Or. it

Amendment 1398

Rareş-Lucian Niculescu

Proposal for a regulation

Article 32 – paragraph 1 – subparagraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

Payments to farmers in mountain areas and other areas facing natural or other specific constraints shall be granted annually per hectare of UAA in order to compensate farmers for additional costs and income foregone related to the constraints for agricultural production in the area concerned.

Amendment

Payments to farmers in mountain areas and other areas facing natural or other specific constraints, ***particularly High Nature Value farming systems***, shall be granted annually per hectare of UAA in order to compensate farmers for additional costs and income foregone related to the constraints for agricultural production in the area concerned.

Or. en

Amendment 1399
Jim Higgins, Seán Kelly

Proposal for a regulation
Article 32 – paragraph 1 – subparagraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

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Amendment

Payments to farmers in mountain areas and other areas facing natural or other specific constraints ***such as low soil productivity or poor climate conditions*** shall be granted annually per hectare of UAA in order to compensate farmers for additional costs and income foregone related to the constraints for agricultural production in the area concerned.

Or. en

Amendment 1400
James Nicholson, Anthea McIntyre, Kay Swinburne, Julie Girling

Proposal for a regulation
Article 32 – paragraph 1 – subparagraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

Payments to farmers in mountain areas and other areas facing natural or other specific constraints shall be granted annually per hectare of UAA in order to compensate farmers for additional costs and income foregone related to the constraints for agricultural production in the area concerned.

Amendment

Payments to farmers in mountain areas and other areas facing natural or other specific constraints shall be granted annually per hectare of UAA in order to compensate farmers for ***all or part of the*** additional costs and income foregone related to the constraints for agricultural production in the area concerned.

Or. en

Amendment 1401
Diane Dodds, James Nicholson

Proposal for a regulation
Article 32 – paragraph 1 – subparagraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

Payments to farmers in mountain areas and other areas facing natural or other specific constraints shall be granted annually per hectare of UAA in order to compensate farmers for additional costs and income foregone related to the constraints for agricultural production in the area concerned.

Amendment

Payments to farmers in mountain areas and other areas facing natural or other specific constraints shall be granted annually per hectare of UAA in order to compensate farmers for ***all or part of the*** additional costs and income foregone related to the constraints for agricultural production in the area concerned.

Or. en

Amendment 1402
Phil Prendergast

Proposal for a regulation
Article 32 – paragraph 1 – subparagraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

Payments to farmers in mountain areas and other areas facing natural or other specific constraints shall be granted annually per hectare of UAA in order to compensate farmers for additional costs and income foregone related to the constraints for agricultural production in the area concerned.

Amendment

Payments to farmers in mountain areas and other areas facing natural or other specific constraints shall be granted annually per hectare of UAA in order to compensate farmers for ***all or part of the*** additional costs and income foregone related to the constraints for agricultural production in the area concerned.

Or. en

Amendment 1403
Nessa Childers

Proposal for a regulation
Article 32 – paragraph 1 – subparagraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

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Or. en

Amendment 1404
Herbert Dorfmann

Proposal for a regulation
Article 32 – paragraph 1 – subparagraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

Additional costs and income foregone shall be calculated in comparison to areas which are not affected by natural or other specific constraints, taking into account payments pursuant to Chapter 3 of Title III of Regulation (EU) No DP/2012.

Amendment

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Or. it

Amendment 1405
Salvatore Caronna

Proposal for a regulation
Article 32 – paragraph 1 – subparagraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

Additional costs and income foregone shall be calculated in comparison to areas which are not affected by natural or other specific constraints, *taking into account payments pursuant to Chapter 3 of Title III of Regulation (EU) No DP/2012.*

Amendment

Additional costs and income foregone shall be calculated in comparison to areas which are not affected by natural or other specific constraints.

Or. it

Amendment 1406
Carlo Fidanza

Proposal for a regulation
Article 32 – paragraph 1 – subparagraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

Additional costs and income foregone shall be calculated in comparison to areas which are not affected by natural or other specific constraints, ***taking into account payments pursuant to Chapter 3 of Title III of Regulation (EU) No DP/2012.***

Amendment

Additional costs and income foregone shall be calculated in comparison to areas which are not affected by natural or other specific constraints.

Or. it

Amendment 1407
Michel Dantin, Agnès Le Brun

Proposal for a regulation
Article 32 – paragraph 1 – subparagraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

Additional costs and income foregone shall be calculated in comparison to areas which are not affected by natural or other specific constraints, ***taking into account payments pursuant to Chapter 3 of Title III of Regulation (EU) No DP/2012.***

Amendment

Additional costs and income foregone shall be calculated in comparison to areas which are not affected by natural or other specific constraints.

Or. fr

Amendment 1408
Herbert Dorfmann, Elisabeth Köstinger, Albert Deß

Proposal for a regulation
Article 32 – paragraph 1 – subparagraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

Additional costs and income foregone shall be calculated in comparison to areas which

Amendment

Additional costs and income foregone shall be calculated in comparison to areas which

are not affected by natural or other specific constraints, *taking into account payments pursuant to Chapter 3 of Title III of Regulation (EU) No DP/2012.*

are not affected by natural or other specific constraints.

Or. de

Amendment 1409

Elisabeth Köstinger, Peter Jahr, Herbert Dorfmann, Elisabeth Jeggle, Milan Zver, Albert Deß, Astrid Lulling

Proposal for a regulation

Article 32 – paragraph 1 – subparagraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

Additional costs and income foregone shall be calculated in comparison to areas which are not affected by natural or other specific constraints, taking into account payments pursuant to Chapter 3 of Title III of Regulation (EU) No DP/2012.

Amendment

Additional costs and income foregone shall be calculated in comparison to areas which are not affected by natural or other specific constraints, taking into account payments pursuant to Chapter 3 of Title III of Regulation (EU) No DP/2012.

The payments shall be duly differentiated, taking into account:

- the situation and development objectives peculiar to a region;***
- the severity of any permanent natural handicap affecting farming activities;***
- the type of production and, where appropriate, the economic structure of the holding.***

Or. de

Justification

Farms with different forms of production also have different sophisticated expenditures and costs in the production management – and this must be recognised.

Amendment 1410

Elisabeth Köstinger, Peter Jahr, Elisabeth Jeggle, Milan Zver, Herbert Dorfmann, Albert Deß, Astrid Lulling

Proposal for a regulation
Article 32 – paragraph 3

Text proposed by the Commission

3. Payments shall be fixed between the minimum and maximum amount laid down in Annex I.

Amendment

3. Payments shall be fixed between the minimum and maximum amount laid down in Annex I.

Compensatory allowances higher than the maximum amount may be granted provided that the average amount of all compensatory payments granted at the programming level concerned does not exceed the maximum amount.

Or. de

Justification

Farms in such regions with different forms of production also differ in production costs and have sophisticated expenditures. Therefore production supply should not only refer to arable land.

Amendment 1411
Britta Reimers

Proposal for a regulation
Article 32 – paragraph 4

Text proposed by the Commission

4. Member States shall provide for degressivity of payments above a threshold level of area per holding, to be defined in the programme.

Amendment

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Or. de

Justification

The size of the holding is not a factor in determining whether the compensatory allowance is granted.

Amendment 1412
Hynek Fajmon

Proposal for a regulation
Article 32 – paragraph 4

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

4. Member States shall provide for degressivity of payments above a threshold level of area per holding, to be defined in the programme.

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Or. en

Amendment 1413
Hynek Fajmon

Proposal for a regulation
Article 32 – paragraph 4

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

4. Member States **shall** provide for degressivity of payments above a threshold level of area per holding, to be defined in the programme.

4. Member States **may** provide for degressivity of payments above a threshold level of area per holding, to be defined in the programme.

Or. en

Amendment 1414
James Nicholson, Anthea McIntyre, Kay Swinburne, Julie Girling

Proposal for a regulation
Article 32 – paragraph 5

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

5. Member States may grant payments under this measure between **2014** and **2017** to farmers in areas which were eligible under Article 36(a)(ii) of Regulation (EC)

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No 1698/2005 during the 2007-2013 programming period but are no longer eligible following the new delimitation referred to in Article 33(3). These payments shall be degressive ***starting in 2014*** at ***80%*** of the payment received in 2013 ***and ending in 2017 at 20%***.

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Or. en

Amendment 1415

Diane Dodds, James Nicholson

Proposal for a regulation

Article 32 – paragraph 5

Text proposed by the Commission

5. Member States may grant payments under this measure between ***2014*** and ***2017*** to farmers in areas which were eligible under ***Article 36(a)(ii)*** of Regulation (EC) No 1698/2005 during the 2007-2013 programming period but are no longer eligible following the new delimitation referred to in ***Article 33(3)***. These payments shall be degressive ***starting in 2014*** at ***80%*** of the payment received in 2013 ***and ending in 2017 at 20%***.

Amendment

5. Member States may grant payments under this measure between ***2016*** and ***2019*** to farmers in areas which were eligible under ***article 36(a)(ii)*** of Regulation (EC) No 1698/2005 during the 2007-2013 programming period but are no longer eligible following the new delimitation referred to in ***article 33(3)***. These payments shall be degressive ***ending by 31 December 2019 at the latest. The sum total of the degressive payments paid to any farmer shall not exceed 200%*** of the payment received ***by that farmer*** in 2013.

Or. en

Amendment 1416

Martina Anderson

Proposal for a regulation

Article 32 – paragraph 5

Text proposed by the Commission

5. Member States may grant payments under this measure between 2014 and 2017 to farmers in areas which were eligible under Article 36(a)(ii) of Regulation (EC) No 1698/2005 during the 2007-2013 programming period but are no longer eligible following the new delimitation referred to in Article 33(3). These payments shall be degressive starting in 2014 at 80% of the payment received in 2013 *and ending in 2017 at 20%*.

Amendment

5. Member States may grant payments under this measure between 2014 and 2017 to farmers in areas which were eligible under Article 36(a)(ii) of Regulation (EC) No 1698/2005 during the 2007-2013 programming period but are no longer eligible following the new delimitation referred to in Article 46(3). These payments shall be degressive starting in 2014 *and ending by 31 December 2017 at the latest. The sum total of the degressive payments paid to any farmer shall not exceed 200%* of the payment received by *that farmer* in 2013."

Or. en

Amendment 1417

Katarína Neved'alová

Proposal for a regulation

Article 32 – paragraph 5

Text proposed by the Commission

5. Member States may grant payments under this measure between 2014 and **2017** to farmers in areas which were eligible under Article 36(a)(ii) of Regulation (EC) No 1698/2005 during the 2007-2013 programming period but are no longer eligible following the new delimitation referred to in Article 33(3). These payments shall be degressive starting in 2014 at 80% of the payment received in 2013 and ending in **2017** at 20%.

Amendment

5. Member States may grant payments under this measure between 2014 and **2020** to farmers in areas which were eligible under Article 36(a)(ii) of Regulation (EC) No 1698/2005 during the 2007-2013 programming period but are no longer eligible following the new delimitation referred to in Article 33(3). These payments shall be degressive starting in 2014 at 80% of the payment received in 2013 and ending in **2020** at 20%.

Or. sk

Amendment 1418

Radvilė Morkūnaitė-Mikulėnienė

Proposal for a regulation
Article 32 – paragraph 5

Text proposed by the Commission

5. Member States may grant payments under this measure between 2014 and **2017** to farmers in areas which were eligible under Article 36(a)(ii) of Regulation (EC) No 1698/2005 during the 2007-2013 programming period but are no longer eligible following the new delimitation referred to in Article **33**(3). These payments shall be degressive starting in **2014** at 80% of the payment received in 2013 and ending in **2017** at 20%.

Amendment

5. Member States may grant payments under this measure between 2014 and **2019** to farmers in areas which were eligible under Article 36(a)(ii) of Regulation (EC) No 1698/2005 during the 2007-2013 programming period but are no longer eligible following the new delimitation referred to in Article **46**(3). These payments shall be degressive starting in **2015** at 80% of the payment received in 2013 and ending in **2019** at 20%.

Or. en

Amendment 1419
Jim Higgins, Seán Kelly

Proposal for a regulation
Article 32 – paragraph 5

Text proposed by the Commission

5. Member States may grant payments under this measure between 2014 and **2017** to farmers in areas which were eligible under Article 36(a)(ii) of Regulation (EC) No 1698/2005 during the 2007-2013 programming period but are no longer eligible following the new delimitation referred to in Article 33(3). These payments shall be degressive starting in **2014** at 80% of the payment received in 2013 and ending in **2017** at 20%.

Amendment

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Or. en

Justification

To defer the commencement of digressive payments until all relevant delimitation data is

available and to provide a longer payment period for digressive payments.

Amendment 1420

Elisabeth Köstinger, Peter Jahr, Elisabeth Jeggle, Milan Zver, Albert Deß, Astrid Lulling

Proposal for a regulation Article 32 – paragraph 5

Text proposed by the Commission

5. Member States may grant payments under this measure between 2014 and 2017 to farmers in areas which were eligible under Article 36(a)(ii) of Regulation (EC) No 1698/2005 during the 2007-2013 programming period but are no longer eligible following the new delimitation referred to in Article 33(3). These payments shall be degressive starting in 2014 at 80% of the payment received *in 2013* and ending in 2017 at 20%.

Amendment

5. Member States may grant payments under this measure between 2014 and 2017 to farmers in areas which were eligible under Article 36(a)(ii) of Regulation (EC) No 1698/2005 during the 2007-2013 programming period but are no longer eligible following the new delimitation referred to in Article 33(3). These payments shall be degressive starting in 2014 at 80% of the payment received *on average in the years 2007-2013* and ending in 2017 at 20%.

Or. de

Amendment 1421

Elisabeth Köstinger, Peter Jahr, Elisabeth Jeggle, Milan Zver, Albert Deß, Astrid Lulling

Proposal for a regulation Article 32 – paragraph 6

Text proposed by the Commission

6. In Member States which have not completed the delimitation referred to in Article 33(3) before 1 January 2014, paragraph 5 shall apply to farmers receiving payments in areas which were eligible for such payments during the 2007-2013 period. Following completion of the delimitation, farmers in areas that remain eligible shall receive full payments

Amendment

deleted

under this measure. Farmers in areas that are no longer eligible shall continue to receive payments in accordance with paragraph 5.

Or. de

Amendment 1422
Rareş-Lucian Niculescu

Proposal for a regulation
Article 32 – paragraph 6

Text proposed by the Commission

6. *In* Member States *which have not completed* the delimitation referred to in Article 33(3) *before 1 January 2014, paragraph 5 shall apply to farmers receiving payments in areas which were eligible for such payments during the 2007-2013 period. Following completion of the delimitation, farmers in areas that remain eligible shall receive full payments under this measure.* Farmers in areas that are no longer eligible shall continue to receive payments in accordance with paragraph 5.

Amendment

6. Member States *shall complete* the delimitation referred to in Article 33(3) *at the latest by the date on which this Regulation enters into force.* Farmers in areas that are no longer eligible shall continue to receive payments in accordance with paragraph 5.

Or. ro

Amendment 1423
Diane Dodds, James Nicholson

Proposal for a regulation
Article 32 – paragraph 6

Text proposed by the Commission

6. In Member States which have not completed the delimitation referred to in Article 33(3) before 1 January **2014**, paragraph 5 shall apply to farmers receiving payments in areas which were

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Or. en

Amendment 1424

James Nicholson, Anthea McIntyre, Julie Girling

Proposal for a regulation

Article 33

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

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Or. en

Justification

The Commission shall present by 2015 a separate legislative proposal on mandatory biophysical criteria for the delimitation of areas with significant natural constraints.

Amendment 1425

Diane Dodds

Proposal for a regulation

Article 33

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

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Or. en

Amendment 1426

Sergio Gutiérrez Prieto, Iratxe García Pérez, Ricardo Cortés Lastra, Alejandro Cercas

Proposal for a regulation

Article 33 – paragraph 1 – point b

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(b) areas, other than mountain areas, facing significant natural constraints; and

(b) areas, other than mountain areas, facing significant natural *or demographic* constraints; and

Or. es

Justification

Depopulation is an extremely serious problem in rural areas. Population density should therefore be included as a parameter, to classify areas currently disadvantaged through depopulation.

Amendment 1427

Wojciech Michał Olejniczak

Proposal for a regulation

Article 33 – paragraph 1 – point c

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(c) other areas affected by specific constraints.

(c) other areas affected by specific constraints, *in particular high nature value farming systems.*

Or. pl

Justification

As well as mountain areas and regions with other specific constraints, particular attention should be paid to areas of high nature value. Income from farming in these areas is generally low, meaning that farming is becoming more intensive. This is having a negative effect on the natural environments and landscapes that make such areas so special.

Amendment 1428

Karin Kadenbach

Proposal for a regulation
Article 33 – paragraph 1 – point c a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(ca) High Nature Value farming systems.

Or. en

Amendment 1429
Karin Kadenbach

Proposal for a regulation
Article 33 – paragraph 2 – subparagraph 1 – introductory part

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

In order to be eligible for payments under Article 32, mountain areas shall be ***characterized by a considerable limitation of the possibilities for using the land and by an appreciable increase in production costs due to:***

In order to be eligible for payments under Article 32, ***areas, other than*** mountain areas, shall be ***considered as facing significant natural constraints if at least 50% of the UAA meets at least one of the criteria listed in Annex II at the threshold value indicated. Respect of this condition shall be ensured at the appropriate level of local administrative units ("LAU 2" level). It must be possible to apply not only the biophysical criteria provided for in Annex II but also other scientifically sound criteria of disadvantage.***

Or. en

Amendment 1430
Giancarlo Scottà, Mara Bizzotto, Mario Borghezio, Lorenzo Fontana, Claudio Morganti, Fiorello Provera, Oreste Rossi, Matteo Salvini, Francesco Enrico Speroni, Lara Comi

Proposal for a regulation
Article 33 – paragraph 2 – subparagraph 1 – introductory part

Text proposed by the Commission

In order to be eligible for payments under Article 32, mountain areas shall be characterized by a considerable limitation of the possibilities for using the land and by an appreciable increase in production costs due to:

Amendment

In order to be eligible for payments under Article 32, mountain areas shall be characterized by a considerable limitation of the possibilities for using the land ***as well as low profitability*** and by an appreciable increase in production costs due to:

Or. it

Amendment 1431

Rareş-Lucian Niculescu

Proposal for a regulation

Article 33 – paragraph 2 – subparagraph 1 – point b a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(ba) poor accessibility.

Or. ro

Amendment 1432

Rareş-Lucian Niculescu

Proposal for a regulation

Article 33 – paragraph 2 – subparagraph 1 – point b b (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(bb) low population density;

Or. ro

Amendment 1433

Elisabeth Köstinger, Peter Jahr, Elisabeth Jeggle, Milan Zver, Albert Deß, Astrid Lulling

Proposal for a regulation
Article 33 – paragraph 3 – subparagraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

In order to be eligible for payments under Article 32, areas, other than mountain areas, shall be considered as facing significant natural constraints if at least 66% of the UAA meets at least one of the criteria listed in Annex II at the threshold value indicated. Respect of this condition shall be ensured at the appropriate level of local administrative units ("LAU 2" level).

Amendment

Member States may grant payments under Article 32 in areas, other than mountain areas, which face significant natural constraints and which were eligible under Article 36(a)(ii) of Regulation (EC) No 1698/2005 during the 2007-2013 programme planning period.

The Commission shall submit by 31 December 2015 a new proposal concerning criteria for delimiting the areas affected by other constraints, based on the European Parliament's resolution of 5 May 2010 (2009/2156(INI)).

The criteria for designating the areas other than mountain areas that face significant natural constraints should be underpinned by robust scientific evidence, should take account of the specific characteristics and development objectives of the regions and should be sufficiently tailored to the scale of the inherent natural disadvantages they face and the type of production and/or the economic structure of holdings in a given region.

Or. de

Justification

The Commission's proposal of designating areas facing natural constraints should be rejected. The Commission should work on a new proposal, independently of the reform of the GAP, which should pay due attention to the position of the EU-parliament and take into consideration the different data submitted by the Member States.

Amendment 1434

Czesław Adam Siekierski, Jarosław Kalinowski, Elżbieta Katarzyna Łukacijewska,

Artur Zasada

Proposal for a regulation
Article 33 – paragraph 3 – subparagraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

In order to be eligible for payments under Article 32, areas, other than mountain areas, shall be considered as facing significant natural constraints if at least 66% of the UAA meets at least one of the criteria listed in Annex II at the threshold value indicated. Respect of this condition shall be ensured at the appropriate level of local administrative units ('LAU 2' level).

Amendment

Member States can define areas, other than mountain areas, as facing significant natural constraints, that have been eligible during the program period 2007-2013 according to Article 36 (a)(ii) of regulation (EC) No 1698/2005.

Or. en

Amendment 1435
Marie-Thérèse Sanchez-Schmid, Dominique Vlasto

Proposal for a regulation
Article 33 – paragraph 3 – subparagraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

In order to be eligible for payments under Article 32, areas, other than mountain areas, shall be considered as facing significant natural constraints if at least 66% of the UAA meets at least one of the criteria listed in Annex II at the threshold value indicated. Respect of this condition shall be ensured at the appropriate level of local administrative units ("LAU 2" level).

Amendment

3. Member States shall designate areas, other than mountain areas, facing significant natural constraints, as eligible for payments under Article 32. These areas shall be characterised by significant natural constraints resulting in particular from arid or wet conditions or from soil or terrain quality, and by the fact that maintaining extensive farming activity is important for the management of the land.

Indicative biophysical criteria for the delimitation of areas facing significant natural constraints are listed in Annex II.

Or. fr

Amendment 1436

James Nicholson, Julie Girling

Proposal for a regulation

Article 33 – paragraph 3 – subparagraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

In order to be eligible for payments under Article 32, areas, other than mountain areas, shall be considered as facing significant natural constraints if at least **66%** of the UAA meets at least one of the criteria listed in Annex II at the threshold value indicated. Respect of this condition shall be ensured at the *appropriate level of local administrative units ('LAU 2' level)*.

Amendment

In order to be eligible for payments under Article 32, areas, other than mountain areas, shall be considered as facing significant natural constraints if at least **50%** of the UAA meets at least one of the criteria listed in Annex II at the threshold value indicated. Respect of this condition shall be ensured at *LAU2 level or at the level of a clearly delineated local unit which covers a single clear contiguous geographical area with a definable economic and administrative identity*

Or. en

Amendment 1437

Brian Simpson

Proposal for a regulation

Article 33 – paragraph 3 – subparagraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

In order to be eligible for payments under Article 32, areas, other than mountain areas, shall be considered as facing significant natural constraints if at least **66%** of the UAA meets at least one of the criteria listed in Annex II at the threshold value indicated. Respect of this condition shall be ensured at the *appropriate level of local administrative units ('LAU 2' level)*.

Amendment

In order to be eligible for payments under Article 32, areas, other than mountain areas, shall be considered as facing significant natural constraints if at least **50%** of the UAA meets at least one of the criteria listed in Annex II at the threshold value indicated. Respect of this condition shall be ensured at *LAU2 level or at the level of a clearly delineated local unit which covers a single clear contiguous geographical area with a definable administrative identity*

Amendment 1438
Rareş-Lucian Niculescu

Proposal for a regulation
Article 33 – paragraph 3 – subparagraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

In order to be eligible for payments under Article 32, areas, other than mountain areas, shall be considered as facing significant natural constraints if at least **66%** of the UAA meets at least one of the criteria listed in Annex II at the threshold value indicated. Respect of this condition shall be ensured at the *appropriate* level of local *administrative units* ("*LAU 2*" level).

Amendment

In order to be eligible for payments under Article 32, areas, other than mountain areas, shall be considered as facing significant natural constraints if at least **50%** of the UAA meets at least one of the criteria listed in Annex II at the threshold value indicated. Respect of this condition shall be ensured at the *lowest* level of local *administration*.

Amendment 1439
Michel Dantin, Jim Higgins

Proposal for a regulation
Article 33 – paragraph 3 – subparagraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

In order to be eligible for payments under Article 32, areas, other than mountain areas, shall be considered as facing significant natural constraints if at least **66%** of the UAA meets at least one of the criteria listed in Annex II at the threshold value indicated. Respect of this condition shall be ensured at the appropriate level of local administrative units ("*LAU 2*" level).

Amendment

In order to be eligible for payments under Article 32, areas, other than mountain areas, shall be considered as facing significant natural constraints if at least **50%** of the UAA meets at least one of the criteria listed in Annex II at the threshold value indicated. Respect of this condition shall be ensured at the appropriate level of local administrative units ("*LAU 2*" level).

Amendment 1440
Katarína Neved'alová

Proposal for a regulation
Article 33 – paragraph 3 – subparagraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

In order to be eligible for payments under Article 32, areas, other than mountain areas, shall be considered as facing significant natural constraints if at least **66%** of the UAA meets at least one of the criteria listed in Annex II at the threshold value indicated. Respect of this condition shall be ensured at the appropriate level of local administrative units ("LAU 2" level).

Amendment

In order to be eligible for payments under Article 32, areas, other than mountain areas, shall be considered as facing significant natural constraints if at least **50%** of the UAA meets at least one of the criteria listed in Annex II at the threshold value indicated. Respect of this condition shall be ensured at the appropriate level of local administrative units ("LAU 2" level).

Or. sk

Amendment 1441
Eric Andrieu, Marc Tarabella

Proposal for a regulation
Article 33 – paragraph 3 – subparagraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

In order to be eligible for payments under Article 32, areas, other than mountain areas, shall be considered as facing significant natural constraints if at least **66%** of the UAA meets at least one of the criteria listed in Annex II at the threshold value indicated. Respect of this condition shall be ensured at the appropriate level of local administrative units ("LAU 2" level).

Amendment

In order to be eligible for payments under Article 32, areas, other than mountain areas, shall be considered as facing significant natural constraints if at least **50%** of the UAA meets at least one of the criteria listed in Annex II at the threshold value indicated. Respect of this condition shall be ensured at the appropriate level of local administrative units ("LAU 2" level).

Or. fr

Amendment 1442
Juozas Imbrasas

Proposal for a regulation
Article 33 – paragraph 3 – subparagraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

In order to be eligible for payments under Article 32, areas, other than mountain areas, shall be considered as facing significant natural constraints if at least **66%** of the UAA meets at least one of the criteria listed in Annex II at the threshold value indicated. Respect of this condition shall be ensured at the appropriate level of local administrative units ("LAU 2" level).

Amendment

In order to be eligible for payments under Article 32, areas, other than mountain areas, shall be considered as facing significant natural constraints if at least **50%** of the UAA meets at least one of the criteria listed in Annex II at the threshold value indicated. Respect of this condition shall be ensured at the appropriate level of local administrative units ("LAU 2" level).

Or. It

Amendment 1443
Hynek Fajmon

Proposal for a regulation
Article 33 – paragraph 3 – subparagraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

In order to be eligible for payments under Article 32, areas, other than mountain areas, shall be considered as facing significant natural constraints if at least 66% of the UAA meets at least one of the criteria listed in Annex II at the threshold value indicated. Respect of this condition shall be ensured at the appropriate level of **local** administrative units (**'LAU 2' level**).

Amendment

In order to be eligible for payments under Article 32, areas, other than mountain areas, shall be considered as facing significant natural constraints if at least 66% of the UAA meets at least one of the criteria listed in Annex II at the threshold value indicated. Respect of this condition shall be ensured at the appropriate level of **territorial** administrative units.

Or. en

Amendment 1444
Diane Dodds, James Nicholson

Proposal for a regulation
Article 33 – paragraph 3 – subparagraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

In order to be eligible for payments under Article 32, areas, other than mountain areas, shall be considered as facing significant natural constraints *if* at least 66% of the UAA meets at least one of the criteria listed in Annex II at the threshold value indicated. Respect of this condition shall be ensured at the *appropriate* level of local administrative *units ('LAU 2' level)*.

Amendment

In order to be eligible for payments under Article 32, areas, other than mountain areas, shall be considered as facing significant natural constraints at least 66% of the UAA meets at least one of the criteria listed in Annex II at the threshold value indicated. Respect of this condition shall be ensured at *LAU2 level or at the level of a clearly delineated local unit which covers a single clear contiguous geographical area with a definable economic and administrative identity*.

Or. en

Amendment 1445

Marit Paulsen, George Lyon

Proposal for a regulation

Article 33 – paragraph 3 – subparagraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

In order to be eligible for payments under Article 32, areas, other than mountain areas, shall be considered as facing significant natural constraints if at least 66% of the UAA meets at least one of the criteria listed in Annex II at the threshold value indicated. Respect of this condition shall be ensured at the appropriate level of local administrative units ('LAU 2' level).

Amendment

In order to be eligible for payments under Article 32, areas, other than mountain areas, shall be considered as facing significant natural constraints if at least 66% of the UAA meets at least one of the criteria listed in Annex II at the threshold value indicated. Respect of this condition shall be ensured at the appropriate level of local administrative units ('LAU 2' level) *or smaller units if motivated based on objective criteria presented in the programme*.

Or. en

Amendment 1446

Eric Andrieu, Marc Tarabella

Proposal for a regulation
Article 33 – paragraph 3 – subparagraph 1 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

The Commission shall be empowered to adopt delegated acts in accordance with Article 90 with a view to adapting the Annex II criteria to outermost regions which are subject to specific pedo-climatic conditions.

Or. fr

Amendment 1447
Czesław Adam Siekierski, Jarosław Kalinowski, Elżbieta Katarzyna Łukacijewska, Artur Zasada

Proposal for a regulation
Article 33 – paragraph 3 – subparagraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

When delimiting the areas concerned by this paragraph, Member States shall undertake a fine-tuning exercise, based on objective criteria, with the purpose of excluding areas in which significant natural constraints in accordance with the first subparagraph have been documented but have been overcome by investments or by economic activity. ***deleted***

Or. en

Amendment 1448
Marie-Thérèse Sanchez-Schmid, Dominique Vlasto

Proposal for a regulation
Article 33 – paragraph 3 – subparagraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

When delimiting the areas concerned by ***deleted***

this paragraph, Member States shall undertake a fine-tuning exercise, based on objective criteria, with the purpose of excluding areas in which significant natural constraints in accordance with the first subparagraph have been documented but have been overcome by investments or by economic activity.

Or. fr

Amendment 1449

Riikka Manner, Liisa Jaakonsaari, Anneli Jäätteenmäki, Hannu Takkula, Sari Essayah

Proposal for a regulation

Article 33 – paragraph 3 – subparagraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

When delimiting the areas concerned by this paragraph, Member States shall undertake a fine-tuning exercise, based on objective criteria, with the purpose of excluding areas in which significant natural constraints in accordance with the first subparagraph have been documented but have been overcome by investments or by economic activity.

Amendment

When delimiting the areas concerned by this paragraph, ***other than those designated as naturally constrained by the climate criterion in Annex II***, Member States shall undertake a fine-tuning exercise, based on objective criteria, with the purpose of excluding areas in which significant natural constraints in accordance with the first subparagraph have been documented but have been overcome by investments or by economic activity.

Or. en

Amendment 1450

Brian Simpson

Proposal for a regulation

Article 33 – paragraph 3 – subparagraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

When delimiting the areas concerned by this paragraph, Member States shall

Amendment

When delimiting the areas concerned by this paragraph, Member States shall

undertake a fine-tuning exercise, based on objective criteria, with the purpose of excluding areas in which significant natural constraints in accordance with the first subparagraph have been documented but have been overcome by investments or by economic activity.

undertake a fine-tuning exercise, based on objective criteria, with the purpose of excluding areas in which significant natural constraints in accordance with the first subparagraph have been documented but have been overcome by investments or by economic activity ***and including areas which are deemed to fulfil the characteristics of the areas facing significant natural constraint but otherwise do not satisfy the requirement that 50% of the UAA of the appropriate level of a clearly delineated local unit which covers a single clear contiguous geographical area with a definable economic and administrative identity.***

Or. en

Amendment 1451

Vasilica Viorica Dăncilă, Daciana Octavia Sârbu

Proposal for a regulation

Article 33 – paragraph 3 – subparagraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

When delimiting the areas concerned by this paragraph, Member States shall undertake a fine-tuning exercise, based on objective criteria, with the purpose of excluding areas in which significant natural constraints in accordance with the first subparagraph have been documented but have been overcome by investments or by economic activity.

Amendment

When delimiting the areas concerned by this paragraph, Member States shall undertake a fine-tuning exercise, based on objective criteria, with the purpose of excluding areas in which significant natural constraints in accordance with the first subparagraph have been documented but have been overcome by investments or by economic activity. ***The Commission shall ensure that the Member States apply common and unitary methods across the EU with a view to establishing the areas which face significant natural constraints.***

Or. ro

Amendment 1452

Sergio Gutiérrez Prieto, Iratxe García Pérez, Ricardo Cortés Lastra, Alejandro Cercas

Proposal for a regulation

Article 33 – paragraph 3 – subparagraph 2 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

Areas facing demographic constraints, defined by very low population density, may also be classified as areas other than mountain areas.

Or. es

Justification

Given that rural depopulation is a particularly serious problem for certain areas, these areas need to be classified as disadvantaged on account of depopulation, using population density as the parameter.

Amendment 1453

Marian Harkin

Proposal for a regulation

Article 33 – paragraph 4 – subparagraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

Areas other than those referred to in paragraphs 2 and 3 shall be eligible for payments under Article 32 if they are affected by specific constraints and where land management should be continued in order to conserve or improve the environment, maintain the countryside and preserve the tourist potential of the area or in order to protect the coastline.

Areas other than those referred to in paragraphs 2 and 3 shall be eligible for payments under Article 32 if they are affected by specific constraints ***indicating natural handicap*** and where land management should be continued in order to conserve or improve the environment, maintain the countryside and preserve the tourist potential of the area or in order to protect the coastline.

Or. en

Amendment 1454
Marc Tarabella

Proposal for a regulation
Article 33 – paragraph 4 – subparagraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

Areas other than those referred to in paragraphs 2 and 3 shall be eligible for payments under Article 32 if they are affected by specific constraints and where land management should be continued in order to conserve or improve the environment, maintain the countryside and preserve the tourist potential of the area or in order to protect the coastline.

Amendment

Areas other than those referred to in paragraphs 2 and 3 shall be eligible for payments under Article 32 if they are ***situated in peri-urban regions or*** affected by specific constraints and where land management should be continued in order to conserve or improve the environment, maintain the countryside and preserve the tourist potential of the area or in order to protect the coastline.

Or. fr

Amendment 1455
Sylvie Goulard

Proposal for a regulation
Article 33 – paragraph 4 – subparagraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

Areas other than those referred to in paragraphs 2 and 3 shall be eligible for payments under Article 32 if they are affected by specific constraints and where land management should be continued in order to conserve or improve the environment, maintain the countryside and preserve the tourist potential of the area or in order to protect the coastline.

Amendment

Areas other than those referred to in paragraphs 2 and 3 shall be eligible for payments under Article 32 if they are affected by specific constraints and where land management should be continued in order to conserve or improve the environment, maintain the countryside and preserve the tourist potential of the area or in order to protect the coastline ***or ensure the continuing viability of peri-urban agricultural areas.***

Or. fr

Amendment 1456

Sergio Paolo Francesco Silvestris, Carlo Fidanza, Georgios Papastamkos, Giancarlo Scottà

Proposal for a regulation

Article 33 – paragraph 4 – subparagraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

Areas other than those referred to in paragraphs 2 and 3 shall be eligible for payments under Article 32 if they are affected by specific constraints and where land management should be continued in order to conserve or improve the environment, maintain the countryside and preserve the tourist potential of the area or in order to protect the coastline.

Amendment

Areas other than those referred to in paragraphs 2 and 3 shall be eligible for payments under Article 32 if they are affected by specific constraints and where land management should be continued in order to conserve or improve the environment, maintain the countryside ***or wetlands, conserve water resources,*** and preserve the tourist potential of the area or in order to protect the coastline.

Or. en

Amendment 1457

Marit Paulsen, George Lyon

Proposal for a regulation

Article 33 – paragraph 4 – subparagraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

Areas affected by specific constraints shall comprise farming areas which are homogeneous from the point of view of natural protection conditions and their total extent shall not exceed 10% of the area of the Member State concerned.

Amendment

Areas affected by specific constraints shall comprise farming areas which are homogeneous from the point of view of natural protection conditions and their total extent shall not exceed 10% of the area of the Member State concerned, ***except under circumstances where major shifts would occur in area delimitations from the 2007-2013 programme period and a higher percentage is duly justified and motivated by Member States based on the objective natural protection conditions.***

Or. en

Amendment 1458
Michel Dantin

Proposal for a regulation
Article 33 – paragraph 4 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

4a. In the case of wetlands, delimitation shall take place – independently of any other administrative unit – at the functional level of the wetland territory that meets the criteria of the Ramsar Convention and implements a plan of protection and management measures. This may be a Ramsar management plan or protection and management measures complying with the recommendations of Council Directive 92/43/EEC of 21 May 1992 on the conservation of natural habitats and of wild fauna and flora, Directive 2009/147/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 30 November 2009 on the conservation of wild birds, or 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.

Or. fr

Amendment 1459
Maria do Céu Patrão Neves

Proposal for a regulation
Article 33 – paragraph 5 – point b

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(b) the new delimitation of the areas referred to in paragraph 3.

(b) the new delimitation of the areas referred to in paragraph 3 ***or, if this has not been completed, the delimitation used in the 2007-2013 period.***

Or. pt

Amendment 1460

Alyn Smith

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Proposal for a regulation

Article 34 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

1. Animal welfare payments under this measure shall be granted to farmers who undertake, on a voluntary basis, to carry out operations consisting of one or more animal welfare commitments.

Amendment

1. Animal welfare payments under this measure shall be granted to farmers who undertake, on a voluntary basis, to carry out operations consisting of one or more animal welfare commitments. ***It shall be mandatory for rural development programmes to offer this measure.***

Or. en

Amendment 1461

Karin Kadenbach

Proposal for a regulation

Article 34 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

1. Animal welfare payments under this measure shall be granted to farmers who undertake, on a voluntary basis, to carry out operations consisting of one or more animal welfare commitments.

Amendment

1. Animal welfare payments under this measure shall be granted to farmers who undertake, on a voluntary basis, to carry out operations consisting of one or more animal welfare commitments ***and going significantly beyond what the law requires.***

Or. en

Amendment 1462

Sirpa Pietikäinen

Proposal for a regulation

Article 34 – paragraph 1 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

1a. Member States shall make support under this measure available throughout their territories, in accordance with their national, regional or local specific needs and priorities. Inclusion of this measure in rural development programmes shall be compulsory.

Or. en

Amendment 1463

Alyn Smith

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Proposal for a regulation

Article 34 – paragraph 2 – subparagraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

Those commitments shall be undertaken for a **renewable** period of **one year**.

Those commitments shall be undertaken **as a general rule** for a period **between five and seven years**. **Where necessary and justified, a longer period shall be determined.**

Or. en

Amendment 1464

Karin Kadenbach

Proposal for a regulation

Article 34 – paragraph 3 – subparagraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

The area based or other unitary costs based payments shall be granted annually and shall compensate farmers for all or part of the additional costs and income foregone resulting from the commitment made. Where necessary, they **may** also cover

The area based or other unitary costs based payments shall be granted annually and shall compensate farmers for all or part of the additional costs and income foregone resulting from the commitment made. Where necessary, they **could** also cover

transaction costs to the value of up to 20% of the premium paid for the animal welfare commitments.

transaction costs to the value of up to 20% of the premium paid for the animal welfare commitments. ***Results-oriented animal welfare indicators should be used to determine whether plans go beyond what the law requires and to determine the level of support for farmers.***

Or. en

Amendment 1465
Ramon Tremosa i Balcells

Proposal for a regulation
Article 34 – paragraph 3 – subparagraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

The area based or other unitary costs based payments shall be granted annually and shall compensate farmers for all or part of the additional costs and income foregone resulting from the commitment made. Where necessary, they may also cover transaction costs to the value of up to 20% of the premium paid for the animal welfare commitments.

Amendment

The area based or other unitary costs based payments shall be granted annually and shall compensate farmers for all or part of the additional costs and income foregone resulting from the commitment made. Where necessary, they may also cover transaction costs to the value of up to 20% of the premium paid for the animal welfare commitments, ***giving priority to those livestock sectors that urgently need to adapt to meet specific rules and all investments intended to improve animal welfare shall in any case be eligible for support.***

Or. es

Amendment 1466
Marit Paulsen, Britta Reimers, Liam Aylward, George Lyon

Proposal for a regulation
Article 34 – paragraph 4

Text proposed by the Commission

4. The Commission shall be empowered to

Amendment

4. The Commission shall be empowered to

adopt delegated acts in accordance with Article 90 concerning the definition of the areas in which animal welfare commitments shall provide upgraded standards of production methods.

adopt delegated acts in accordance with Article 90 concerning the definition of the areas in which animal welfare commitments shall provide upgraded standards of production methods, ***taking into account knowledge from a European coordinated animal welfare network and practices based on the latest research.***

Or. en

Amendment 1467

Ulrike Rodust

Proposal for a regulation

Article 35 – paragraph 1 – subparagraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

Support under this measure shall be granted per hectare of forest to forest holders, municipalities and their associations who undertake, on a voluntary basis, to carry out operations consisting of one or more forest-environment commitments. ***Bodies managing state owned forests may also benefit from support provided they are independent from the state budget.***

Amendment

Support under this measure shall be granted per hectare of forest to forest holders, municipalities and their associations who undertake, on a voluntary basis, to carry out operations consisting of one or more forest-environment commitments. ***As well as area-related payments, it shall be possible to grant tree-related or project-related payments.***

Or. de

Justification

In some cases, nature-conservation or forestry considerations may mean that a tree-related or project-related payment is more suitable than an area-related payment. Such is the case, for example, in relation to dead wood: standing deadwood and tree biotopes are important structural elements in natural forests. Countless animal species have adapted to living in and on dead wood.

Amendment 1468

Hynek Fajmon

Proposal for a regulation
Article 35 – paragraph 1 – subparagraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

Support under this measure shall be granted per hectare of forest to **forest holders, municipalities and their associations** who undertake, on a voluntary basis, to carry out operations consisting of one or more forest-environment commitments. **Bodies managing state owned forests may also benefit from support provided they are independent from the state budget.**

Amendment

Support under this measure shall be granted per hectare of forest to **private**, and **public forest holders** who undertake, on a voluntary basis, to carry out operations consisting of one or more forest-environment commitments.

Or. en

Amendment 1469

Esther Herranz García, Gabriel Mato Adrover, Pilar Ayuso, María Auxiliadora Correa Zamora, Georgios Papastamkos

Proposal for a regulation
Article 35 – paragraph 1 – subparagraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

Support under this measure shall be granted per hectare of forest to forest holders, **municipalities and their associations** who undertake, on a voluntary basis, to carry out operations consisting of one or more forest-environment commitments. **Bodies managing state owned forests may also benefit from support provided they are independent from the state budget.**

Amendment

Support under this measure shall be granted per hectare of forest to forest holders and **public bodies which** undertake, on a voluntary basis, to carry out operations consisting of one or more forest-environment commitments.

Or. es

Justification

The proposed amendments to various forestry measures take the reality of forestry ownership into account, by recognising public bodies, and not just municipalities, as beneficiaries of this support.

Amendment 1470

Sergio Gutiérrez Prieto, Iratxe García Pérez, Ricardo Cortés Lastra, Alejandro Cercas

Proposal for a regulation

Article 35 – paragraph 1 – subparagraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

Support under this measure shall be granted per hectare of forest to forest holders, **municipalities** and **their associations** who undertake, on a voluntary basis, to carry out operations consisting of one or more forest-environment commitments. **Bodies managing state owned forests may also benefit from support provided they are independent from the state budget.**

Amendment

Support under this measure shall be granted per hectare of forest to forest holders and **public bodies** which undertake, on a voluntary basis, to carry out operations consisting of one or more forest-environment commitments.

Or. es

Justification

The concept needs to be widened to take in public bodies so other types of bodies, and not just municipalities, benefit from this support.

Amendment 1471

Radvilė Morkūnaitė-Mikulėnienė

Proposal for a regulation

Article 35 – paragraph 1 – subparagraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

Support under this measure shall be granted per hectare of forest to forest holders, municipalities and their associations who undertake, on a voluntary basis, to carry out operations consisting of one or more forest-environment commitments. Bodies managing state owned forests may also benefit from support provided they are independent

Amendment

Support under this measure shall be granted per hectare of forest to forest holders, municipalities and their associations **and other forest managers** who undertake, on a voluntary basis, to carry out operations consisting of one or more forest-environment commitments. Bodies managing state owned forests may also benefit from support provided they are

from the state budget.

independent from the state budget

Or. en

Amendment 1472

Bas Eickhout

Proposal for a regulation

Article 35 – paragraph 1 – subparagraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

Support under this measure shall be granted per hectare of forest to forest holders, municipalities and their associations who undertake, on a voluntary basis, to carry out operations consisting of one or more forest-environment commitments. Bodies managing state owned forests may also benefit from support provided they are independent from the state budget.

Amendment

Support under this measure shall be granted per hectare of forest to forest holders, municipalities and their associations ***and other land managers*** who undertake, on a voluntary basis, to carry out operations consisting of one or more forest-environment commitments. Bodies managing state owned forests may also benefit from support provided they are independent from the state budget.

Or. en

Amendment 1473

Spyros Danellis, Theodoros Skylakakis

Proposal for a regulation

Article 35 – paragraph 1 – subparagraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

Support under this measure shall be granted per hectare of forest to forest holders, municipalities and their associations who undertake, on a voluntary basis, to carry out operations consisting of one or more forest-environment commitments. Bodies managing state owned forests may also benefit from support ***provided they are independent from the state budget.***

Amendment

Support under this measure shall be granted per hectare of forest to forest holders, municipalities and their associations who undertake, on a voluntary basis, to carry out operations consisting of one or more forest-environment commitments. Bodies managing state owned forests may also benefit from support.

Amendment 1474
Mariya Gabriel

Proposal for a regulation
Article 35 – paragraph 1 – subparagraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

Support under this measure shall be granted per hectare of forest to forest holders, municipalities and their associations who undertake, on a voluntary basis, to carry out operations consisting of one or more forest-environment commitments. Bodies managing state owned forests may also benefit from support provided they are independent from the state budget.

Amendment

Support under this measure shall be granted per hectare of forest to forest holders, **public owners**, municipalities and their associations who undertake, on a voluntary basis, to carry out operations consisting of one or more forest-environment commitments. Bodies managing state owned forests may also benefit from support provided they are independent from the state budget.

Or. bg

Amendment 1475
Elisabeth Köstinger, Peter Jahr, Milan Zver, Herbert Dorfmann, Albert Deß, Astrid Lulling

Proposal for a regulation
Article 35 – paragraph 1 – subparagraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

Support under this measure shall be granted per hectare of forest to forest holders, municipalities and their associations who undertake, on a voluntary basis, to carry out operations consisting of one or more forest-environment commitments. Bodies managing state owned forests may also benefit from support provided they are independent from the state budget.

Amendment

Support under this measure shall be granted per hectare of forest **exclusively** to forest holders, municipalities and their associations who undertake, on a voluntary basis, to carry out operations consisting of one or more forest-environment commitments. Bodies managing state owned forests may also benefit from support provided they are independent from the state budget.

Or. de

Amendment 1476
Gaston Franco

Proposal for a regulation
Article 35 – paragraph 1 – subparagraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

Support under this measure shall be granted per hectare of forest to forest holders, municipalities and their associations who undertake, on a voluntary basis, to carry out operations consisting of one or more forest-environment commitments. Bodies managing state owned forests may also benefit from support provided they are independent from the state budget.

Amendment

Support under this measure shall be granted per hectare of forest to forest **owners and** holders, municipalities and their associations who undertake, on a voluntary basis, to carry out operations consisting of one or more forest-environment commitments. Bodies managing state owned forests may also benefit from support provided they are independent from the state budget.

Or. fr

Amendment 1477
Britta Reimers

Proposal for a regulation
Article 35 – paragraph 1 – subparagraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

For forest holdings above a certain threshold to be determined by Member States in their rural development programmes, support under paragraph 1 shall be conditional on the submission of a forest management plan or equivalent instrument in line with sustainable forest management.

Amendment

deleted

Or. de

Justification

There is already adequate statutory provision at national level for the progressive

*management of woods and forests irrespective of the size of the holdings concerned.
Requiring forest holders to draw up management plans would only mean more red tape.*

Amendment 1478

Elisabeth Köstinger, Peter Jahr, Elisabeth Jeggle, Milan Zver, Albert Deß, Astrid Lulling

Proposal for a regulation

Article 35 – paragraph 1 – subparagraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

For forest holdings above a certain threshold to be determined by Member States in their rural development programmes, support under paragraph 1 shall be conditional on the submission of a forest management plan or equivalent instrument in line with sustainable forest management.

deleted

Or. de

Justification

This proposal is contra the principle of subsidiarity of Member States.

Amendment 1479

Mariya Gabriel

Proposal for a regulation

Article 35 – paragraph 1 – subparagraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

For forest holdings above a certain threshold to be determined by Member States in their rural development programmes, support under paragraph 1 shall be conditional on ***the submission of a forest management plan or equivalent instrument in line with*** sustainable forest management.

For forest holdings above a certain threshold to be determined by Member States in their rural development programmes, support under paragraph 1 shall be conditional on sustainable forest management.

Amendment 1480
Bas Eickhout

Proposal for a regulation
Article 35 – paragraph 1 – subparagraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

For forest holdings above a certain threshold to be determined by Member States in their rural development programmes, support under paragraph 1 shall be conditional on the submission of a forest management plan or equivalent instrument in line with sustainable forest management.

Amendment

For forest holdings above a certain threshold to be determined by Member States in their rural development programmes, support under paragraph 1 shall be conditional on the submission of a forest management plan or equivalent instrument in line with sustainable forest management ***including biodiversity measures. Support for forest measures should be based on a standard for Good Forestry Practices, which will be developed by each Member State.***

Amendment 1481
Karin Kadenbach

Proposal for a regulation
Article 35 – paragraph 2 – subparagraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

Payments shall cover only those commitments going beyond the relevant mandatory requirements established by the national forestry act or other relevant national legislation. All such requirements shall be identified in the programme.

Amendment

Payments shall cover only those commitments going ***significantly*** beyond the relevant mandatory requirements established by the national forestry act or other relevant national legislation. All such requirements shall be identified in the programme.

Amendment 1482
Ulrike Rodust

Proposal for a regulation
Article 35 – paragraph 2 – subparagraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

Commitments shall be undertaken for a period of between five and seven years. However, where necessary and duly justified, Member States may determine a longer period in their rural development programmes for particular types of commitments.

Amendment

Commitments shall be undertaken for a period of between five and seven years. However, where necessary and duly justified, Member States may determine a longer period in their rural development programmes for particular types of commitments. ***Tree-related or project-related payments may be one-off payments provided that they are earmarked for a specific use over a 15-year period.***

Or. de

Justification

Given the environmental processes that take place in woods and forests, it makes sense for tree-related and project-related payments to be linked to a mandatory timespan, so that they can contribute to maintaining the improving the environmental quality of our forests.

Amendment 1483
Elisabeth Köstinger, Elisabeth Jeggle, Milan Zver, Albert Deß, Astrid Lulling

Proposal for a regulation
Article 35 – paragraph 3

Text proposed by the Commission

3. Payments shall compensate beneficiaries for all or part of the additional costs and income foregone resulting from the commitments made. Where necessary they may also cover transaction costs to a value of up to 20% of the premium paid for the forest-environment commitments. Support shall be limited to the maximum amount laid down in Annex I.

Amendment

3. Payments shall compensate beneficiaries for all or part of the additional costs and income foregone resulting from the commitments made. Where necessary they may also cover transaction costs to a value of up to 20 % of the premium paid for the forest-environment commitments. Support shall be limited to the maximum amount laid down in Annex I. ***In clearly justified***

cases, support for agreements not to use trees or stands of trees may also be granted in the form of one-off payments or flat-rate amounts per project, calculated on the basis of the relevant additional costs and loss of income.

Or. de

Justification

In forest ecosystems it is often more efficient to elaborate funding through several projects rather than through size-based funding. A uniform flat rate of 200,--/ha does not seem to be equivalent to cover the real costs as forests have a long vegetation period.

Amendment 1484
Spyros Danellis, Theodoros Skylakakis

Proposal for a regulation
Article 35 – paragraph 4

Text proposed by the Commission

4. Support may be provided to private entities, municipalities and their associations for the conservation and promotion of forest genetic resources for operations not covered under paragraphs 1, 2 and 3.

Amendment

4. Support may be provided to **public and** private entities, municipalities and their associations for the conservation and promotion of forest genetic resources for operations not covered under paragraphs 1, 2 and 3.

Or. en

Amendment 1485
Mariya Gabriel

Proposal for a regulation
Article 36 – paragraph 1 – introductory part

Text proposed by the Commission

1. Support under this measure shall **promote** forms of co-operation involving at least two entities and in particular:

Amendment

1. Support under this measure shall **be granted for the promotion of** forms of co-operation involving at least two entities

and in particular:

Or. bg

Amendment 1486
Mariya Gabriel

Proposal for a regulation
Article 36 – paragraph 1 – introductory part

Text proposed by the Commission

1. Support under this measure shall promote forms of co-operation involving at least two entities and in particular:

Amendment

1. Support under this measure shall promote forms of co-operation involving at least two entities, ***including primary producers***, and in particular:

Or. en

Amendment 1487
Alyn Smith
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Proposal for a regulation
Article 36 – paragraph 1 – point a

Text proposed by the Commission

(a) co-operation approaches among different actors in ***the Union agriculture*** and food ***chain***, forestry sector and among other actors that contribute to achieving the objectives and priorities of rural development policy, including inter-branch organisations;

Amendment

(a) co-operation approaches among ***farmers, rural enterprises and rural development associations and networks with a special attention to small farmers and micro/small enterprises as well as*** different actors in ***local and regional*** food ***chains***, forestry sector and among other actors that contribute to achieving the objectives and priorities of rural development policy, including inter-branch organisations;

Or. en

Amendment 1488
Mariya Gabriel

Proposal for a regulation
Article 36 – paragraph 1 – point a

Text proposed by the Commission

(a) co-operation approaches among different actors in the Union agriculture and food chain, forestry sector and among other actors that contribute to achieving the objectives and priorities of rural development policy, including inter-branch organisations;

Amendment

(a) co-operation approaches among different actors in the Union agriculture and food chain, forestry sector and among other actors that contribute to achieving the objectives and priorities of rural development policy, including ***producer groups, POs, APOs and*** inter-branch organisations, ***which should have eligibility and higher priority in funding;***

Or. en

Amendment 1489
Sergio Gutiérrez Prieto, Iratxe García Pérez, Ricardo Cortés Lastra, Alejandro Cercas

Proposal for a regulation
Article 36 – paragraph 1 – point a

Text proposed by the Commission

(a) co-operation approaches among different actors in the Union agriculture and food chain, forestry sector and among other actors that contribute to achieving the objectives and priorities of rural development policy, including inter-branch organisations;

Amendment

(a) co-operation approaches among different actors in the Union agriculture and food chain, forestry sector and among other actors that contribute to achieving the objectives and priorities of rural development policy, including inter-branch organisations, ***as well as actors and bodies tied in to the socio-economic development of rural areas. Producer groups responsible for quality designations, associative bodies and actors tied in to the socio-economic development of rural areas within the meaning of the sixth priority in Article 5 shall also be included, inter alia. Given that by their very nature they are cooperative structures, no more than one body shall be required for inter-branch organisations;***

Justification

The fact that explicit reference is made in the article to “actors that contribute to achieving the priorities of rural development policy”, means that the contribution of actors other than those tied to the agricultural or forestry sector should be clearly indicated.

Amendment 1490**Karin Kadenbach, Phil Prendergast****Proposal for a regulation****Article 36 – paragraph 1 – point a***Text proposed by the Commission*

(a) co-operation approaches among different actors in the Union agriculture and food chain, forestry sector and among other actors that contribute to achieving the objectives and priorities of rural development policy, including inter-branch organisations;

Amendment

(a) co-operation approaches among different actors in the Union agriculture and food chain, forestry sector and among other actors that contribute to achieving the objectives and priorities of rural development policy, ***notably agricultural and commercial job creation***, including inter-branch organisations;

Or. de

Amendment 1491**Elisabeth Köstinger, Peter Jahr, Herbert Dorfmann, Elisabeth Jeggle, Milan Zver, Albert Deß, Astrid Lulling****Proposal for a regulation****Article 36 – paragraph 1 – point a***Text proposed by the Commission*

(a) co-operation approaches among different actors in the Union agriculture and food chain, forestry sector and among other actors that contribute to achieving the objectives and priorities of rural development policy, including inter-branch organisations;

Amendment

(a) co-operation approaches among different actors in the Union agriculture and food chain, forestry sector and among other actors that contribute to achieving the objectives and priorities of rural development policy, including inter-branch organisations, ***producer groups and***

cooperatives;

Or. de

Amendment 1492
Giovanni La Via

Proposal for a regulation
Article 36 – paragraph 1 – point a

Text proposed by the Commission

(a) co-operation approaches among different actors in the Union agriculture and food chain, forestry sector and among other actors that contribute to achieving the objectives and priorities of rural development policy, including inter-branch organisations;

Amendment

(a) co-operation approaches among different actors in the Union agriculture **and agri-**food chain, forestry sector and among other actors that contribute to achieving the objectives and priorities of rural development policy, including inter-branch organisations;

Or. it

Amendment 1493
George Lyon, Marit Paulsen, Britta Reimers, Kent Johansson

Proposal for a regulation
Article 36 – paragraph 1 – point a

Text proposed by the Commission

(a) co-operation approaches among different actors in the Union agriculture and food chain, forestry sector and among other actors that contribute to achieving the objectives and priorities of rural development policy, including inter-branch organisations;

Amendment

(a) co-operation approaches among different actors in the Union agriculture and food chain, forestry sector and **bio-based economy and** among other actors that contribute to achieving the objectives and priorities of rural development policy, including inter-branch organisations;

Or. en

Amendment 1494
Elisabeth Jeggle

Proposal for a regulation
Article 36 – paragraph 1 – point b

Text proposed by the Commission

(b) the creation of clusters **and networks**;

Amendment

(b) the creation of clusters, **networks and coordination points**;

Or. de

Amendment 1495
Maria do Céu Patrão Neves

Proposal for a regulation
Article 36 – paragraph 2 – introductory part

Text proposed by the Commission

2. *Co-operation* under paragraph 1 shall relate in particular to the following:

Amendment

2. *Cooperation* under paragraph 1 shall relate in particular to the following **areas involving farmers, foresters, agro-food and forestry sector enterprises, or their organisations**:

Or. pt

Amendment 1496
Britta Reimers

Proposal for a regulation
Article 36 – paragraph 2 – point a

Text proposed by the Commission

(a) pilot projects;

Amendment

(a) pilot, **demonstration and flagship** projects;

Or. en

Justification

There is a need to bridge the gap between research and market. Better co-operation will help

to facilitate new business and job opportunities for farmers and rural development actors.

Amendment 1497
Christel Schaldemose

Proposal for a regulation
Article 36 – paragraph 2 – point a

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(a) pilot projects;

(a) pilot, ***demonstration and flagship***
projects

Or. en

Justification

Ambitious demonstration programmes with significant amounts of funding in other parts of the world, such as the United States, have already attracted many European companies. Also, support for demonstration and flagging initiatives as well as for the deployment of bio-based products shall be strongly supported by the agricultural policy as there is an urgent need to bridge the gap between research and market.

Amendment 1498
Daciana Octavia Sârbu

Proposal for a regulation
Article 36 – paragraph 2 – point a

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(a) pilot projects;

(a) pilot projects, ***demonstration and flagship projects***;

Or. en

Amendment 1499
Giovanni La Via

Proposal for a regulation
Article 36 – paragraph 2 – point b

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(b) the development of new products, practices, processes and technologies in the agriculture, food and forestry sectors

(b) the development of new products, practices, processes and technologies in the agriculture, ***agri***-food and forestry sectors;

Or. it

Amendment 1500

George Lyon, Marit Paulsen, Britta Reimers, Kent Johansson

Proposal for a regulation

Article 36 – paragraph 2 – point b

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(b) the development of new products, practices, processes and technologies in the agriculture, food and forestry sectors

(b) the development ***and/or deployment*** of new products, practices, processes and technologies in the agriculture, food and forestry sectors ***and bio-based products***

Or. en

Amendment 1501

Hynek Fajmon

Proposal for a regulation

Article 36 – paragraph 2 – point b

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(b) the development of new products, practices, processes and technologies in the agriculture, food and forestry sectors

(b) the development ***and introduction*** of new products, practices, processes and technologies in the agriculture, food and forestry sectors ***and related vocational training***;

Or. en

Amendment 1502

Christel Schaldemose

Proposal for a regulation
Article 36 – paragraph 2 – point b

Text proposed by the Commission

(b) the **development** of new products, practices, processes and technologies in the agriculture, food **and** forestry sectors

Amendment

(b) the **deployment** of new products, practices, processes and technologies in the agriculture, food, forestry **and bio-based products** sectors

Or. en

Justification

Ambitious demonstration programmes with significant amounts of funding in other parts of the world, such as the United States, have already attracted many European companies. Also, support for demo and flashig initiatives as well as for the deployment of bio-based products shall be strongly supported by the agricultural policy as there is an urgent need to bridge the gap between research and market.

Amendment 1503
Britta Reimers

Proposal for a regulation
Article 36 – paragraph 2 – point b

Text proposed by the Commission

(b) the development of **new** products, **practices**, processes and technologies in the agriculture, food and forestry sectors

Amendment

(b) **horizontal and vertical cooperation among agri-food chain actors (seeds, fertilizers, plant protection products, equipment, retailers, among others) for the development of more efficient and environmentally friendly farming practices**, products, processes and technologies in the agriculture, food and forestry sectors **and for the reduction of waste products.**

Or. en

Justification

In the context of a clear strategic orientation of the CAP towards innovation and

sustainability, Rural Development Objectives should further steer a comprehensive vision of innovation across the agro food chain. Horizontal and vertical cooperation between food production chain actors (farmers, seeds, plant protection products, fertilizers, equipment, retailers,) should be fostered within the Rural Development Co-operation in order to steer common research and actions in view of developing more efficient and environmentally friendly farming practices and products. This will ultimately increase the productivity and competitiveness of European Farmers and will contribute to a greener and more sustainable agriculture.

Amendment 1504

Albert Deß, Elisabeth Köstinger

Proposal for a regulation

Article 36 – paragraph 2 – point b a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(ba) cooperation among agri-food chain actors for the development of more efficient and productive farming practices, products, processes and technologies in the agriculture, food and forestry sectors and for the reduction of waste;

Or. en

Amendment 1505

Sergio Gutiérrez Prieto, Iratxe García Pérez, Ricardo Cortés Lastra, Alejandro Cercas

Proposal for a regulation

Article 36 – paragraph 2 – point c

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(c) co-operation among ***small*** operators in organising joint work processes, sharing facilities and resources;

(c) co-operation among ***various*** operators in organising joint work processes, sharing facilities and resources;

Or. es

Amendment 1506

Alyn Smith

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Proposal for a regulation

Article 36 – paragraph 2 – point d

Text proposed by the Commission

(d) horizontal and vertical co-operation among supply chain actors for the establishment of logistic platforms to promote short supply chains **and** local markets;

Amendment

(d) horizontal and vertical co-operation among supply chain actors for the establishment of logistic platforms to promote short supply chains, local markets **and strengthened added value for producers in the supply chain**;

Or. en

Amendment 1507

Elisabeth Jeggle

Proposal for a regulation

Article 36 – paragraph 2 – point d

Text proposed by the Commission

(d) horizontal and vertical co-operation among supply chain actors for the establishment of logistic platforms to **promote** short supply chains and local markets;

Amendment

(d) horizontal and vertical co-operation among supply chain actors for the establishment of logistic platforms to **set up and develop local chains of commerce and value creation, making for** short supply chains and local **and regional** markets;

Or. de

Amendment 1508

Sergio Gutiérrez Prieto, Iratxe García Pérez, Ricardo Cortés Lastra, Alejandro Cercas

Proposal for a regulation

Article 36 – paragraph 2 – point d

Text proposed by the Commission

(d) horizontal and vertical co-operation among supply chain actors for the establishment of logistic platforms to promote short supply chains and local markets;

Amendment

(d) horizontal and vertical co-operation among supply chain actors for the establishment of logistic platforms to promote short supply chains and local markets ***and other kinds of supply channels different to the habitual ones;***

Or. es

Amendment 1509

Georgios Papastamkos, Sergio Paolo Francesco Silvestris, Giovanni La Via

Proposal for a regulation

Article 36 – paragraph 2 – point d

Text proposed by the Commission

(d) horizontal and vertical co-operation among supply chain actors for the establishment of logistic platforms to promote short supply chains and local markets;

Amendment

(d) horizontal and vertical co-operation among supply chain actors for the establishment of logistic platforms to promote short supply chains and local markets, ***especially for quality products as referred to in Articles 17 (1)a and 17(1)b;***

Or. en

Amendment 1510

Eric Andrieu, Marc Tarabella

Proposal for a regulation

Article 36 – paragraph 2 – point d a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(da) diversification activities which provide food or other services in the fields of agri-tourism, culture or amateur sports in rural areas.

Or. fr

Amendment 1511
Elisabeth Jeggle

Proposal for a regulation
Article 36 – paragraph 2 – point e

Text proposed by the Commission

(e) promotion activities in a local context relating to the development of short supply chains and local markets;

Amendment

(e) promotion activities in a local context relating to the development of short supply chains and local ***and regional*** markets ***as well as the reduction of food wastage***;

Or. de

Amendment 1512
Georgios Papastamkos, Sergio Paolo Francesco Silvestris, Giovanni La Via

Proposal for a regulation
Article 36 – paragraph 2 – point e

Text proposed by the Commission

(e) promotion activities in a local context relating to the development of short supply chains and local markets;

Amendment

(e) promotion activities in a local context relating to the development of short supply chains and local markets, ***especially for quality products as referred to in Articles 17(1)a and 17(1)b***;

Or. en

Amendment 1513
Michel Dantin, Agnès Le Brun

Proposal for a regulation
Article 36 – paragraph 2 – point e

Text proposed by the Commission

(e) promotion activities in a local context relating to the development of short supply chains ***and*** local markets;

Amendment

(e) promotion activities in a local context relating to the development of short supply chains, local markets ***and products with***

quality schemes;

Or. fr

Amendment 1514

Sergio Gutiérrez Prieto, Iratxe García Pérez, Ricardo Cortés Lastra, Alejandro Cercas

Proposal for a regulation

Article 36 – paragraph 2 – point e

Text proposed by the Commission

(e) promotion activities in a local context relating to the development of short supply chains and local markets;

Amendment

(e) promotion activities in a local context relating to the development of short supply chains and local markets *and other kinds of supply channels different to the habitual ones;*

Or. es

Amendment 1515

Karin Kadenbach

Proposal for a regulation

Article 36 – paragraph 2 – point e a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(ea) information and promotion activities relating to the development of products under quality schemes through farming systems such as organic farming and HNV farming;

Or. en

Amendment 1516

Rareș-Lucian Niculescu

Proposal for a regulation

Article 36 – paragraph 2 – point e a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(ea) activities with the goal to inform and promote products under quality schemes through particular farming systems such as organic or High Nature Value.

Or. en

Amendment 1517

Béla Glattfelder

Proposal for a regulation

Article 36 – paragraph 2 – point e a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(ea) renewable energy sources projects

Or. en

Amendment 1518

Karin Kadenbach

Proposal for a regulation

Article 36 – paragraph 2 – point e b (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(eb) support throughout the organic food chain;

Or. en

Amendment 1519

Giancarlo Scottà, Mara Bizzotto, Mario Borghezio, Lorenzo Fontana, Claudio Morganti, Fiorello Provera, Oreste Rossi, Matteo Salvini, Francesco Enrico Speroni, Lara Comi

Proposal for a regulation

Article 36 – paragraph 2 – point f

Text proposed by the Commission

(f) joint action undertaken with a view to mitigating or adapting to climate change;

Amendment

(f) joint action undertaken with a view to mitigating or adapting to climate change, ***such as measures relating to water management and storage to sustain farming and in particular agricultural systems;***

Or. it

Amendment 1520
Salvatore Caronna

Proposal for a regulation
Article 36 – paragraph 2 – point f

Text proposed by the Commission

(f) joint action undertaken with a view to mitigating or adapting to climate change;

Amendment

(f) joint action undertaken with a view to mitigating or adapting to climate change, ***such as measures relating to water management and storage to sustain farming and in particular agricultural systems;***

Or. it

Amendment 1521
Esther de Lange

Proposal for a regulation
Article 36 – paragraph 2 – point f

Text proposed by the Commission

(f) joint action undertaken with a view to mitigating or adapting to climate change;

Amendment

(f) joint action undertaken with a view to mitigating or adapting to climate change ***and more efficient water management;***

Or. en

Amendment 1522
Béla Glattfelder

Proposal for a regulation
Article 36 – paragraph 2 – point f

Text proposed by the Commission

(f) joint action undertaken with a view to mitigating or adapting to climate change;

Amendment

(f) joint action undertaken with a view to mitigating or adapting to climate change, ***including promotion of the use of renewable energy sources;***

Or. en

Amendment 1523
Elisabeth Jeggle

Proposal for a regulation
Article 36 – paragraph 2 – point g

Text proposed by the Commission

(g) ***collective*** approaches to environmental projects and ongoing environmental practices;

Amendment

(g) ***coordinated*** approaches to environmental projects, ***notably for the preservation of the agricultural landscape,*** and ongoing environmental practices

Or. de

Amendment 1524
Esther de Lange, Marianne Thyssen, Ivo Belet

Proposal for a regulation
Article 36 – paragraph 2 – point g

Text proposed by the Commission

(g) collective approaches to environmental projects and ongoing environmental practices;

Amendment

(g) collective approaches to environmental projects and ongoing environmental practices ***and to agricultural practices beneficial for the climate and the environment established under Chapter 2***

of Title III of Regulation (EU) No DP/2012;

Or. en

Amendment 1525

Marc Tarabella

Proposal for a regulation

Article 36 – paragraph 2 – point g

Text proposed by the Commission

(g) collective approaches to environmental projects and ongoing environmental practices;

Amendment

(g) collective approaches to environmental projects and ongoing environmental practices *and to agricultural practices beneficial to the climate and the environment as set out in Chapter 2 of Title III of Regulation (EU) No DP/2012;*

Or. fr

Amendment 1526

Alyn Smith

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Proposal for a regulation

Article 36 – paragraph 2 – point g

Text proposed by the Commission

(g) collective approaches to environmental projects and ongoing environmental practices;

Amendment

(g) collective approaches to *agro-ecological systems*, environmental projects and ongoing environmental practices;

Or. en

Amendment 1527

Elisabeth Jeggle

Proposal for a regulation

Article 36 – paragraph 2 – point g a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(ga) cooperation among associations or organisations, or between such bodies and individual stakeholders, contributing to the preservation of the agricultural landscape and cultural heritage;

Or. de

Amendment 1528
Karin Kadenbach, Phil Prendergast

Proposal for a regulation
Article 36 – paragraph 2 – point g a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(ga) collective approaches to job creation in rural areas, including in particular for women and young people;

Or. de

Amendment 1529
Karin Kadenbach, Phil Prendergast

Proposal for a regulation
Article 36 – paragraph 2 – point g b (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(gb) collective approaches to improving quality of life and rural infrastructure;

Or. de

Amendment 1530
Salvatore Caronna

Proposal for a regulation
Article 36 – paragraph 2 – point h

Text proposed by the Commission

(h) horizontal and vertical cooperation among supply chain actors in the sustainable production of biomass for use in food, energy production and industrial processes.

Amendment

(h) horizontal and vertical cooperation among supply chain actors in the sustainable production of biomass for use in food, energy production and industrial processes ***and in water management and storage to sustain farming and in particular agricultural systems.***

Or. it

Amendment 1531
Marit Paulsen, Britta Reimers, Liam Aylward, George Lyon, Sylvie Goulard

Proposal for a regulation
Article 36 – paragraph 2 – point h a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(ha) promotion of linkages between rural and urban areas for improved nutrient circuits;

Or. en

Justification

This should include the establishment of a system for collection of organic waste, extraction of biogas and investments in field fertilization with the rest products when the rest products have a high enough quality to qualify as fertilizers.

Amendment 1532
Mariya Gabriel

Proposal for a regulation
Article 36 – paragraph 2 – point i

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(i) implementation, in particular by ***public-***

(i) implementation, in particular by ***public***

private partnerships other than those defined in Article 28(1)(b) of Regulation (EU) No [CSF/2012], of local development strategies addressing one or more of the Union priorities for rural development;

and private partnerships other than those defined in Article 28(1)(b) of Regulation (EU) No [CSF/2012], of local development strategies addressing one or more of the Union priorities for rural development;

Or. bg

Amendment 1533

Bas Eickhout

Proposal for a regulation

Article 36 – paragraph 2 – point j

Text proposed by the Commission

(j) drawing up of forest management plans or *equivalent instruments*.

Amendment

(j) drawing up of forest management plans, *in line with sustainable forest management and including biodiversity measures so as to bring about a measurable improvement in the conservation status of species and habitats that depend on or are affected by forestry, in line with the EU Biodiversity Strategy.*

Or. en

Amendment 1534

Daciana Octavia Sârbu

Proposal for a regulation

Article 36 – paragraph 2 – point j a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(ja) Facilitating knowledge transfer and cooperation between generations aimed at encouraging inter-generational change in farming and the handing-down of farmland.

Or. ro

Amendment 1535

Sergio Gutiérrez Prieto, Iratxe García Pérez, Ricardo Cortés Lastra, Alejandro Cercas

Proposal for a regulation

Article 36 – paragraph 2 – point j a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(ja) cooperation in promoting social inclusion, poverty reduction and economic development in rural areas.

Or. es

Amendment 1536

Sergio Gutiérrez Prieto, Iratxe García Pérez, Ricardo Cortés Lastra, Alejandro Cercas

Proposal for a regulation

Article 36 – paragraph 2 – point j b (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(jb) promote agri-food contracts between producers and processors which take production costs into account in price referencing.

Or. es

Justification

Imbalances in the food chain must be corrected. This requires collective negotiations within inter-branch organisations, with prices referenced to specific parameters, including production costs, that will ensure farms remain economically viable.

Amendment 1537

Elisabeth Köstinger, Peter Jahr, Herbert Dorfmann, Elisabeth Jeggle, Milan Zver, Albert Deß, Astrid Lulling

Proposal for a regulation

Article 36 – paragraph 2 – point j a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(ja) the development and/or marketing of tourism services relating to rural tourism.

Or. de

Justification

The development and the marketing of agricultural-based tourism are of extraordinary significance for agriculture. Tourism is very much linked to agriculture in lots of regions.

Amendment 1538

Elisabeth Köstinger, Peter Jahr, Herbert Dorfmann, Elisabeth Jeggle, Milan Zver, Albert Deß, Astrid Lulling

Proposal for a regulation

Article 36 – paragraph 2 – point j b (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(jb) development of ‘social agriculture’ projects (following the example of Green Care).

Or. de

Justification

The development of new farm business like 'social agriculture', following the example of the EU project "Green Care", is important for regional economy so as it is important for farms as it provides an additional income opportunity.

Amendment 1539

Petri Sarvamaa, Sirpa Pietikäinen

Proposal for a regulation

Article 36 – paragraph 2 – point j a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(ja) Animal friendly production shall be promoted with cooperation between supply chain actors.

Or. en

Amendment 1540

Patrick Le Hyaric, Willy Meyer, Kyriacos Triantaphyllides

**Proposal for a regulation
Article 36 – paragraph 3**

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

3. Support under paragraph 1(b) shall be granted only to newly formed clusters and networks and those commencing an activity that is new to them.

deleted

Support for operations under paragraph 2(b) may be granted also to individual actors where this possibility is provided for in the rural development programme.

Or. fr

Amendment 1541

Eric Andrieu, Marc Tarabella

**Proposal for a regulation
Article 36 – paragraph 3 – subparagraph 2**

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

Support for operations under paragraph 2(b) may be granted also to individual actors where this possibility is provided for in the rural development programme.

Support for operations under paragraph 2(b) may be granted also to individual actors where this possibility is provided for in the rural development programme.

Support for operations under paragraph 2 may also be granted to single project operators when they act on a partnership

basis and when this possibility is provided for in the rural development programme.

Or. fr

Amendment 1542

Bas Eickhout

Proposal for a regulation

Article 36 – paragraph 6

Text proposed by the Commission

6. Where a business plan or a forest management plan or equivalent or a development strategy is implemented, Member States may grant the aid either as a global amount covering the costs of co-operation and the costs of the projects implemented or cover only the costs of the co-operation and use funds from other measures or other Union Funds for project implementation.

Amendment

6. In the case of cooperation in the forestry sector, except for measure in para 2(j), support shall be conditional on the submission of a forest management plan or equivalent instrument including biodiversity measures, so as to bring about a measurable improvement in the conservation status of species and habitats that depend on or are affected by forestry, in line with the EU Biodiversity Strategy. In addition, support for forest measures should be based on a standard for good forest practices. Where a business plan or a forest management plan or equivalent or a development strategy is implemented, Member States may grant the aid either as a global amount covering the costs of co-operation and the costs of the projects implemented or cover only the costs of the co-operation and use funds from other measures or other Union Funds for project implementation. ***All support for the use and production of bioenergy should be based on sustainability criteria.***

Or. en

Amendment 1543

Marit Paulsen, Britta Reimers, Liam Aylward, George Lyon, Kent Johansson

Proposal for a regulation
Article 36 – paragraph 9

Text proposed by the Commission

9. Co-operation under this measure may be combined with projects supported by Union funds other than the EAFRD in the same territory. Member States shall ensure that overcompensation as a result of the combination of this measure with other national or Union support instruments is avoided.

Amendment

9. Co-operation under this measure may be combined with projects supported by Union funds other than the EAFRD in the same territory. Member States shall ensure that overcompensation as a result of the combination of this measure with other national or Union support instruments is avoided. ***Specification of the characteristics of pilot projects, clusters, networks, short supply chains and local markets that will be eligible for support shall be laid down in programmes submitted by the Member States.***

Or. en

Amendment 1544
Marit Paulsen, Britta Reimers, George Lyon

Proposal for a regulation
Article 36 – paragraph 10

Text proposed by the Commission

10. The Commission shall be empowered to adopt delegated acts in accordance with Article 90 concerning the further specification of the characteristics of pilot projects, clusters, networks, short supply chains and local markets that will be eligible for support, as well as concerning the conditions for granting aid to the types of operation listed in paragraph 2.

Amendment

deleted

Or. en

Amendment 1545
Alain Cadec

Proposal for a regulation
Article 36 – paragraph 10

Text proposed by the Commission

10. The Commission shall be empowered to adopt delegated acts in accordance with Article 90 concerning the further specification of the characteristics of pilot projects, clusters, networks, short supply chains and local markets that will be eligible for support, as well as concerning the conditions for granting aid to the types of operation listed in paragraph 2.

Amendment

10. The Commission shall be empowered to adopt delegated acts in accordance with Article 90 concerning the further specification of the characteristics of pilot projects, clusters, networks, short supply chains and local markets that will be eligible for support, as well as concerning the conditions for granting aid to the types of operation listed in paragraph 2. ***A minimum amount shall be set in each national or regional programme to support the cooperation undertaken by each local action group.***

Or. fr

Amendment 1546
Alyn Smith
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Proposal for a regulation
Article 37

Text proposed by the Commission

[...]

Amendment

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Or. en

Amendment 1547
Ulrike Rodust, Karin Kadenbach, Christel Schaldemose, Brian Simpson, Åsa Westlund

Proposal for a regulation
Article 37

Text proposed by the Commission

[...]

Amendment

deleted

Amendment 1548
Patrick Le Hyaric, Willy Meyer, Kyriacos Triantaphyllides

Proposal for a regulation
Article 37

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

[...]

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Or. fr

Amendment 1549
Salvatore Caronna

Proposal for a regulation
Article 37

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

[...]

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Or. it

Justification

It is proposed that the ‘income stabilisation tools’ be moved from the 2nd to the 1st Pillar to make their implementation simple, fluid and opportune, as well as consistent with the 1st Pillar objectives of guaranteed income. The use of these tools under the 2nd Pillar (Rural Development) could lead to distortions in competition or to non-uniform application at Community level, since rural development programming is a regional or local policy ultimately linked to cofinancing capacity.

Amendment 1550
Michel Dantin, Agnès Le Brun

Proposal for a regulation
Article 37 – paragraph 1 – point a

Text proposed by the Commission

(a) financial contributions, ***paid directly to farmers***, to premiums for crop, animal and plant insurance against economic losses caused by adverse climatic events and animal or plant diseases or pest infestation;

Amendment

(a) financial contributions to premiums for crop, animal and plant insurance against economic losses caused by adverse climatic events and animal or plant diseases or pest infestation;

Or. fr

Amendment 1551
Radvilė Morkūnaitė-Mikulėnienė

Proposal for a regulation
Article 37 – paragraph 1 – point a

Text proposed by the Commission

(a) financial contributions, paid directly to farmers, to premiums for crop, animal and plant insurance against economic losses caused by adverse climatic events and animal or plant diseases or pest infestation;

Amendment

(a) financial contributions paid directly to farmers ***or groups of farmers, or by way of government financial participation in insurance schemes***, to premiums for crop, animal and plant insurance against economic losses caused by adverse climatic events and animal or plant diseases or pest infestation;

Or. en

Amendment 1552
Herbert Dorfmann

Proposal for a regulation
Article 37 – paragraph 1 – point a

Text proposed by the Commission

(a) financial contributions, paid directly to farmers, to premiums for crop, animal and plant insurance against economic losses caused by adverse climatic events and animal or plant diseases or pest infestation;

Amendment

(a) financial contributions, paid directly to farmers or ***farmers' associations or organisations***, to premiums for crop, animal and plant insurance against economic losses caused by adverse climatic events and animal or plant

diseases or pest infestation;

Or. it

Amendment 1553

Maria do Céu Patrão Neves

Proposal for a regulation

Article 37 – paragraph 1 – point a

Text proposed by the Commission

(a) financial contributions, paid directly to farmers, to premiums for crop, animal and plant insurance against economic losses caused by adverse climatic events and animal or plant diseases or pest infestation;

Amendment

(a) financial contributions, paid directly to farmers, ***their cooperatives, or producer organisations recognised under Article 106 of Regulation (EU) No (CMO/2012)***, to premiums for crop, animal and plant insurance against economic losses caused by adverse climatic events and animal or plant diseases or pest infestation;

Or. pt

Amendment 1554

Georgios Papastamkos, Giovanni La Via, Sergio Paolo Francesco Silvestris, Gaston Franco

Proposal for a regulation

Article 37 – paragraph 1 – point a

Text proposed by the Commission

(a) financial contributions, paid directly to farmers, to premiums for crop, animal ***and*** plant insurance against economic losses caused by adverse climatic events and animal or plant diseases or pest infestation;

Amendment

(a) financial contributions, paid directly to farmers ***and producers of forestry products*** to premiums for crop, animal, plant ***and forest stand*** insurance against economic losses caused by adverse climatic events, ***fires*** and animal or plant diseases or pest infestation ***or costs of reforestation***;

Or. fr

Amendment 1555
Alfreds Rubiks

Proposal for a regulation
Article 37 – paragraph 1 – point a

Text proposed by the Commission

(a) financial contributions, paid directly to farmers, to premiums for crop, animal and plant insurance against economic losses caused by adverse climatic events and animal or plant diseases or pest infestation;

Amendment

(a) financial contributions, paid directly to farmers, to premiums for crop, animal and plant insurance against economic losses caused by adverse climatic events, **wildlife, including birds**, and animal or plant diseases or pest infestation;

Or. lv

Amendment 1556
Herbert Dorfmann

Proposal for a regulation
Article 37 – paragraph 1 – point a a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(aa) Support under paragraph 1(a) above shall be granted directly to farmers, or to the farmers' associations recognised by the Member State, where these have entered into collective insurance agreements on behalf of their members;

Or. it

Amendment 1557
Marc Tarabella

Proposal for a regulation
Article 37 – paragraph 1 – point b

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(b) financial contributions to mutual funds to pay financial compensations to farmers, for economic losses caused by the outbreak of an animal or plant disease or an environmental incident;

(b) financial contributions to mutual funds ***or direct to farmers*** to pay financial compensations to farmers for economic losses caused by the outbreak of an animal or plant disease ***or invasion of damaging species*** or an environmental incident ***or climate disaster***;

Or. fr

Amendment 1558

Sergio Gutiérrez Prieto, Iratxe García Pérez, Ricardo Cortés Lastra, Alejandro Cercas

Proposal for a regulation

Article 37 – paragraph 1 – point b

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(b) financial contributions to mutual funds to pay financial compensations to farmers, for economic losses caused by the outbreak of an animal or plant disease ***or*** an environmental incident;

(b) financial contributions to mutual funds ***or insurance companies*** to pay financial compensations to farmers, for economic losses caused by the outbreak of an animal or plant disease, an environmental incident ***or adverse climatic events, including droughts***;

Or. es

Justification

Most Member States have an agricultural insurance system, clearly designed to pass on the farmer's risk. The insurance system is more widespread and more flexible in its application than the mutual funds system, which does not exist in many countries. Member States should be given flexibility to choose the form in which they wish to develop this tool, in line with their own risk management systems.

Amendment 1559

Maria do Céu Patrão Neves

Proposal for a regulation
Article 37 – paragraph 1 – point b

Text proposed by the Commission

(b) financial contributions to mutual funds to pay financial compensations to farmers, for economic losses caused by the outbreak of an animal or plant disease or an environmental incident;

Amendment

(b) financial contributions to mutual funds to pay financial compensations to farmers, ***cooperatives, or producer organisations recognised under Article 106 of Regulation (EU) No (CMO/2012)***, for economic losses caused by the outbreak of an animal or plant disease or an environmental incident;

Or. pt

Amendment 1560

Riikka Manner, Nils Torvalds, Sari Essayah, Liisa Jaakonsaari, Anneli Jäätteenmäki, Hannu Takkula

Proposal for a regulation
Article 37 – paragraph 1 – point b

Text proposed by the Commission

(b) financial contributions to mutual funds to pay financial compensations to farmers, for economic losses caused by the outbreak of an animal or plant disease or an environmental incident;

Amendment

(b) financial contributions to mutual funds to pay financial compensations to farmers, for economic losses caused by ***adverse climatic events or by pest infestation or by*** the outbreak of an animal or plant disease or an environmental incident;

Or. en

Amendment 1561

Michel Dantin, Agnès Le Brun

Proposal for a regulation
Article 37 – paragraph 1 – point b

Text proposed by the Commission

(b) financial contributions to mutual funds to pay financial compensations to farmers,

Amendment

(b) financial contributions to mutual funds to pay financial compensations to farmers,

for economic losses caused by the outbreak of an animal *or plant* disease or an environmental incident;

for economic losses caused by the outbreak of an animal disease *or of organisms harmful to animals or plants* or an environmental incident;

Or. fr

Amendment 1562
Herbert Dorfmann

Proposal for a regulation
Article 37 – paragraph 1 – point b

Text proposed by the Commission

(b) financial contributions to mutual funds to pay financial compensations to farmers, for economic losses caused by the outbreak of an animal or plant disease or an environmental incident;

Amendment

(b) financial contributions to mutual funds to pay financial compensations to farmers, for economic losses caused by *adverse climatic events*, the outbreak of an animal or plant disease or an environmental incident;

Or. it

Amendment 1563
Csaba Sándor Tabajdi

Proposal for a regulation
Article 37 – paragraph 1 – point b

Text proposed by the Commission

(b) financial contributions to mutual funds to pay financial compensations to farmers, for economic losses caused by the outbreak of an animal or plant disease or an environmental incident;

Amendment

(b) financial contributions to mutual funds to pay financial compensations to farmers, for economic losses caused by the outbreak of an animal or plant disease or an environmental incident; *or adverse climatic events, including draughts and floods;*

Or. en

Amendment 1564
Petri Sarvamaa

Proposal for a regulation
Article 37 – paragraph 1 – point b

Text proposed by the Commission

(b) financial contributions to mutual funds to pay financial compensations to farmers, for economic losses caused by the outbreak of an animal or plant disease or an environmental incident;

Amendment

(b) financial contributions to mutual funds to pay financial compensations to farmers, for economic losses caused by the outbreak of an animal or plant disease or an environmental incident **or adverse climatic events**;

Or. en

Amendment 1565
Hynek Fajmon

Proposal for a regulation
Article 37 – paragraph 1 – point b

Text proposed by the Commission

(b) financial contributions to mutual funds to pay financial compensations to farmers, for economic losses caused by the outbreak of an animal or plant disease or an environmental incident;

Amendment

(b) financial contributions to mutual funds to pay financial compensations to farmers, for economic losses caused by **adverse climatic events**, the outbreak of an animal or plant disease or an environmental incident;

Or. en

Amendment 1566
Britta Reimers, Peter Jahr

Proposal for a regulation
Article 37 – paragraph 1 – point c

Text proposed by the Commission

(c) an income stabilisation tool, in the form of financial contributions to mutual

Amendment

deleted

funds, providing compensation to farmers who experience a severe drop in their income.

Or. de

Justification

Income stabilisation solutions of this type are considerably less efficient than comparable and available hedging opportunities based on promissory contracts and futures markets.

Amendment 1567

Julie Girling

Proposal for a regulation

Article 37 – paragraph 1 – point c

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(c) an income stabilisation tool, in the form of financial contributions to mutual funds, providing compensation to farmers who experience a severe drop in their income.

deleted

Or. en

Justification

The income stabilisation tool is not a good use of Rural Development Funds as it could be very expensive and unstable and in extreme circumstances could need to be larger than some Member State's Pillar II allocations, as indicated by the Commission's Impact Assessment.

Amendment 1568

Åsa Westlund, Göran Färm, Marita Ulvskog

Proposal for a regulation

Article 37 – paragraph 1 – point c

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(c) an income stabilisation tool, in the form of financial contributions to mutual

deleted

funds, providing compensation to farmers who experience a severe drop in their income.

Or. en

Amendment 1569

Salvador Sedó i Alabart, Ramon Tremosa i Balcells, Raimon Obiols, Maria Badia i Cutchet, Santiago Fisas Ayxela

Proposal for a regulation

Article 37 – paragraph 1 – point c

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

c) an income stabilisation tool, in the form of financial contributions to mutual funds, providing compensation to farmers who experience a severe drop in their income.

deleted

Or. es

Amendment 1570

Giancarlo Scottà, Carlo Fidanza, Vincenzo Iovine, Mara Bizzotto, Mario Borghezio, Lorenzo Fontana, Claudio Morganti, Fiorello Provera, Oreste Rossi, Matteo Salvini, Francesco Enrico Speroni, Lara Comi

Proposal for a regulation

Article 37 – paragraph 1 – point c

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(c) an income stabilisation tool, in the form of *financial contributions to mutual funds, providing* compensation to farmers who experience a severe drop in their income.

(c) an income stabilisation tool, in the form of *a mutual fund to provide* compensation to farmers who experience a severe drop in their income.

Or. it

Amendment 1571
Paolo De Castro

Proposal for a regulation
Article 37 – paragraph 1 – point c

Text proposed by the Commission

(c) an income stabilisation tool, in the form of ***financial contributions to mutual funds, providing*** compensation to farmers who experience a severe drop in their income.

Amendment

(c) an income stabilisation tool, in the form of ***mutual funds to provide*** compensation to farmers who experience a severe drop in their income.

Or. it

Amendment 1572
Herbert Dorfmann

Proposal for a regulation
Article 37 – paragraph 1 – point c

Text proposed by the Commission

(c) an income stabilisation tool, ***in the form*** of financial contributions to mutual funds, providing compensation to farmers who experience a severe drop in their income.

Amendment

(c) an income stabilisation tool ***for the payment of insurance premiums and/or*** of financial contributions to mutual funds, providing compensation to farmers who experience a severe drop in their income.

Or. it

Amendment 1573
Giovanni La Via, Sergio Paolo Francesco Silvestris

Proposal for a regulation
Article 37 – paragraph 1 – point c

Text proposed by the Commission

(c) an income stabilisation tool, in the form of financial contributions to mutual funds, providing compensation to farmers who experience a severe drop in their income.

Amendment

(c) an income stabilisation tool, in the form of ***contributions for the payment of insurance premiums and/or of*** financial contributions to mutual funds, providing

compensation to farmers who experience a severe drop in their income.

Or. it

Amendment 1574

Maria do Céu Patrão Neves

Proposal for a regulation

Article 37 – paragraph 1 – point c

Text proposed by the Commission

(c) an income stabilisation tool, in the form of financial contributions to mutual funds, providing compensation to farmers who experience a severe drop in their income.

Amendment

(c) an income stabilisation tool, in the form of contributions ***to loss-of-income insurance instruments and*** financial contributions to mutual funds, providing compensation to farmers who experience a severe drop in their income ***or to cooperatives or producer organisations recognised under Article 106 of Regulation (EU) No (CMO/2012) which have incurred economic losses.***

Or. pt

Amendment 1575

Esther Herranz García, Gabriel Mato Adrover, Pilar Ayuso, María Auxiliadora Correa Zamora

Proposal for a regulation

Article 37 – paragraph 1 – point c

Text proposed by the Commission

(c) an income stabilisation tool, in the form of financial contributions to mutual funds, providing compensation to farmers who experience a severe drop in their income.

Amendment

(c) an income stabilisation tool, in the form of financial contributions to mutual funds ***or insurance premiums,*** providing compensation to farmers who experience a severe drop in their income.

Or. es

Justification

No EU country has any experience to date with income stabilisation tools. Member States should therefore be given the opportunity to develop this tool within the context of current risk management models. However, most Member States do have an agricultural insurance system designed to pass on the farmer's risk.

Amendment 1576

Izaskun Bilbao Barandica

Proposal for a regulation

Article 37 – paragraph 1 – point c

Text proposed by the Commission

(c) an income stabilisation tool, in the form of financial contributions to mutual funds, providing compensation to farmers who experience a severe drop in their income.

Amendment

(c) an income stabilisation tool, in the form of financial contributions to mutual funds **or insurance premiums**, providing compensation to farmers who experience a severe drop in their income.

Or. es

Justification

To encourage flexibility in order to be realistic about how insurance mechanisms are incorporated into income stabilisation tools.

Amendment 1577

Sergio Gutiérrez Prieto, Iratxe García Pérez, Ricardo Cortés Lastra, Alejandro Cercas

Proposal for a regulation

Article 37 – paragraph 1 – point c

Text proposed by the Commission

(c) an income stabilisation tool, in the form of financial contributions to mutual funds, providing compensation to farmers who experience a severe drop in their income.

Amendment

(c) an income stabilisation tool, in the form of financial contributions to mutual funds **or insurance premiums**, providing compensation to farmers who experience a severe drop in their income.

Or. es

Amendment 1578
Sergio Paolo Francesco Silvestris

Proposal for a regulation
Article 37 – paragraph 1 – point c

Text proposed by the Commission

(c) an income stabilisation tool, in the form of financial contributions to mutual funds, providing compensation to farmers who experience a severe drop in their income.

Amendment

(c) an income stabilisation tool, in the form of financial contributions to mutual funds ***or insurance premiums***, providing compensation to farmers who experience a severe drop in their income.

Or. en

Amendment 1579
Sergio Paolo Francesco Silvestris

Proposal for a regulation
Article 37 – paragraph 1 – point c

Text proposed by the Commission

(c) an income stabilisation tool, in the form of financial contributions to mutual funds, providing compensation to farmers who experience a severe drop in their income.

Amendment

(c) an income stabilisation tool, in the form of financial contributions to mutual funds, providing compensation to farmers who experience a severe drop in their income ***or of financial contributions paid directly to farmers for the payment of insurance premiums to cover the risk of a severe drop in income.***

Or. it

Amendment 1580
Michel Dantin, Agnès Le Brun

Proposal for a regulation
Article 37 – paragraph 1 – point c

Text proposed by the Commission

(c) an income stabilisation tool, in the form of financial contributions to mutual funds, providing compensation to farmers who experience a severe drop in their income.

Amendment

(c) an income stabilisation tool, in the form of financial contributions to ***income insurance tools and*** mutual funds, providing compensation to farmers who experience a severe drop in their income.

Or. fr

Amendment 1581

Riikka Manner, Sari Essayah, Liisa Jaakonsaari, Anneli Jäätteenmäki, Hannu Takkula

Proposal for a regulation

Article 37 – paragraph 1 – point c

Text proposed by the Commission

(c) an income stabilisation tool, in the form of financial contributions to mutual funds, providing compensation to farmers ***who experience*** a severe drop ***in*** their income.

Amendment

(c) an income stabilisation tool, in the form of financial contributions to mutual funds, providing compensation to farmers ***for*** a severe drop ***of*** their income.

Or. en

Amendment 1582

Esther de Lange

Proposal for a regulation

Article 37 – paragraph 1 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

1a. The support to be granted to farmers according to the instruments referred to in Articles 38, 39 and 40 should be based on an assessment of the losses of the individual farmer or on index-based systems on a voluntary basis

Or. en

Amendment 1583

Salvador Sedó i Alabart, Ramon Tremosa i Balcells, Raimon Obiols, Maria Badia i Cutchet, Santiago Fisas Ayxela

Proposal for a regulation

Article 37 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

2. For the purpose of paragraph 1 points (b) and (c), ‘mutual fund’ shall mean 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 affected by economic losses caused by the outbreak of an animal or plant disease or an environmental incident or experiencing a severe drop in their income.

deleted

Or. es

Amendment 1584

Petri Sarvamaa

Proposal for a regulation

Article 37 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

2. For the purpose of paragraph 1 points (b) and (c), ‘mutual fund’ shall mean 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 affected by economic losses caused by the outbreak of an animal or plant disease or ***an environmental incident*** or experiencing a severe drop in their income.

2. For the purpose of paragraph 1 points (b) and (c), ‘mutual fund’ shall mean 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 affected by economic losses caused by the outbreak of an animal or plant disease or ***adverse climatic events*** or experiencing a severe drop in their income.

Or. en

Amendment 1585

Riikka Manner, Nils Torvalds, Sari Essayah, Liisa Jaakonsaari, Anneli Jäätteenmäki, Hannu Takkula

Proposal for a regulation

Article 37 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

2. For the purpose of paragraph 1 points (b) and (c), ‘mutual fund’ shall mean 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 ***affected by*** economic losses caused by the outbreak of an animal or plant disease or an environmental incident or experiencing a severe drop in their income.

Amendment

2. For the purpose of paragraph 1 points (b) and (c), ‘mutual fund’ shall mean 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 ***for*** economic losses caused by the outbreak of an animal or plant disease or ***of adverse climatic events or pest infestation or*** an environmental incident or experiencing a severe drop in their income.

Or. en

Amendment 1586

Sergio Gutiérrez Prieto, Iratxe García Pérez, Ricardo Cortés Lastra, Alejandro Cercas

Proposal for a regulation

Article 37 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

2. For the purpose of paragraph 1 points (b) and (c), ‘mutual fund’ shall mean 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 affected by economic losses caused by the outbreak of an animal or plant disease or an environmental incident or experiencing a severe drop in their income.

Amendment

2. For the purpose of paragraph 1 points (b) and (c), ‘mutual fund’ ***or ‘insurance company’*** shall mean 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 affected by economic losses caused by the outbreak of an animal or plant disease or an environmental incident ***or adverse climatic events*** or experiencing a severe drop in their income.

Or. es

Amendment 1587
Herbert Dorfmann

Proposal for a regulation
Article 37 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

2. For the purpose of paragraph 1 points (b) and (c), ‘mutual fund’ shall mean 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 affected by economic losses caused by the outbreak of an animal or plant disease or an environmental incident or experiencing a severe drop in their income.

Amendment

2. For the purpose of paragraph 1 points (b) and (c), ‘mutual fund’ shall mean 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 affected by economic losses caused by ***adverse climatic events***, the outbreak of an animal or plant disease or an environmental incident or experiencing a severe drop in their income.

Or. it

Amendment 1588
Sergio Gutiérrez Prieto, Iratxe García Pérez, Ricardo Cortés Lastra, Alejandro Cercas

Proposal for a regulation
Article 37 – paragraph 3

Text proposed by the Commission

3. Member States shall ensure that overcompensation as a result of the combination of this measure with other national or Union support instruments or private insurance schemes is avoided. Direct income support received under the European Globalisation Fund (hereinafter "EGF") shall also be taken into consideration when estimating the income levels of farmers.

Amendment

deleted

Or. es

Justification

This condition is not necessary as the limits imposed for assessment of losses already take all income into account and, in addition, only a percentage, which shall never be higher than 70%, of the difference between income and expenditure is compensated. This means that every farmer is obliged to accept 30% of the risk himself.

Amendment 1589

George Lyon, Marit Paulsen, Britta Reimers, Liam Aylward, Kent Johansson

Proposal for a regulation

Article 37 – paragraph 3

Text proposed by the Commission

3. Member States shall ensure that overcompensation as a result of the combination of this measure with other national or Union support instruments or private insurance schemes is avoided.
Direct income support received under the European Globalisation Adjustment Fund³⁶ (hereinafter ‘EGF’) shall also be taken into consideration when estimating the income levels of farmers.

Amendment

3. Member States shall ensure that overcompensation as a result of the combination of this measure with other national or Union support instruments or private insurance schemes is avoided.

Or. en

Amendment 1590

George Lyon, Marit Paulsen, Britta Reimers, Kent Johansson

Proposal for a regulation

Article 37 – paragraph 3 – footnote 36

Text proposed by the Commission

36. Regulation (EU) No [...] of [...] of the European Parliament and the Council on the European Globalisation Adjustment Fund (2014-2020), OJ L [...], [...], p. [...].

Amendment

deleted

Or. en

Amendment 1591

Salvador Sedó i Alabart, Ramon Tremosa i Balcells, Raimon Obiols, Maria Badia i Cutchet, Santiago Fisas Aixela

Proposal for a regulation

Article 37 – paragraph 4

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

4. The Commission shall be empowered to adopt delegated acts in accordance with Article 90 concerning the minimum and maximum duration of the commercial loans to mutual funds referred to in Articles 39(3)(b) and 40(4). *deleted*

Or. es

Justification

Placing a stabilisation tool under the second pillar, meaning that it is cofunded by the Member States, is not logical since some Member States will decide to implement it while other will not. As a result some producers will be left in a less favourable situation compared to others who will have tools with which they can tackle the same market crisis. This destroys market unity.

Amendment 1592

Ulrike Rodust, Karin Kadenbach, Christel Schaldemose, Brian Simpson, Åsa Westlund

Proposal for a regulation

Article 38

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

Article 38 *deleted*

Crop, animal, and plant insurance

1. Support under Article 37(1)(a) shall only be granted for insurance contracts which cover for loss caused by an adverse climatic event or by an animal or plant disease or a pest infestation or a measure adopted in accordance with Directive 2000/29/EC to eradicate or contain a

plant disease or pest which destroys more than 30 % of the average annual production 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.

2.

The occurrence of an adverse climatic event or the outbreak of an animal or plant disease or pest infestation has to be formally recognised as such by the competent authority of the Member State concerned.

Member States may, where appropriate, establish in advance criteria on the basis of which such formal recognition shall be deemed to be granted.

3.

Insurance payments shall compensate for not more than the total of the cost of replacing the losses referred to in Article 37(1)(a) and shall not require or specify the type or quantity of future production.

Member States may limit the amount of the premium that is eligible for support by applying appropriate ceilings.

4. Support shall be limited to the maximum rate laid down in Annex I.

Or. en

Amendment 1593

Alyn Smith

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Proposal for a regulation

Article 38

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

Article 38

deleted

Crop, animal, and plant insurance

1. Support under Article 37(1)(a) shall only be granted for insurance contracts which cover for loss caused by an adverse climatic event or by an animal or plant disease or a pest infestation or a measure adopted in accordance with Directive 2000/29/EC to eradicate or contain a plant disease or pest which destroys more than 30 % of the average annual production 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.

2.

The occurrence of an adverse climatic event or the outbreak of an animal or plant disease or pest infestation has to be formally recognised as such by the competent authority of the Member State concerned.

Member States may, where appropriate, establish in advance criteria on the basis of which such formal recognition shall be deemed to be granted.

3.

Insurance payments shall compensate for not more than the total of the cost of replacing the losses referred to in Article 37(1)(a) and shall not require or specify the type or quantity of future production.

Member States may limit the amount of the premium that is eligible for support by applying appropriate ceilings.

4. Support shall be limited to the maximum rate laid down in Annex I.

Or. en

Amendment 1594

Patrick Le Hyaric, Willy Meyer, Kyriacos Triantaphyllides

Proposal for a regulation

Article 38

Article 38

deleted

Crop, animal and plant insurance

1. Support under Article 37(1)(a) shall only be granted for insurance contracts which cover for loss caused by an adverse climatic event or by an animal or plant disease or a pest infestation or a measure adopted in accordance with Directive 2000/29/EC to eradicate or contain a plant disease or pest which destroys more than 30 % of the average annual production 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.

2.

The occurrence of an adverse climatic event or the outbreak of an animal or plant disease or pest infestation has to be formally recognised as such by the competent authority of the Member State concerned.

Member States may, where appropriate, establish in advance criteria on the basis of which such formal recognition shall be deemed to be granted.

3.

Insurance payments shall compensate for not more than the total of the cost of replacing the losses referred to in Article 37(1)(a) and shall not require or specify the type or quantity of future production.

Member States may limit the amount of the premium that is eligible for support by applying appropriate ceilings.

4. Support shall be limited to the maximum rate laid down in Annex I.

Or. fr

Amendment 1595
Salvatore Caronna

Proposal for a regulation
Article 38

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

Article 38

deleted

Crop, animal and plant insurance

1. Support under Article 37(1)(a) shall only be granted for insurance contracts which cover for loss caused by an adverse climatic event or by an animal or plant disease or a pest infestation or a measure adopted in accordance with Directive 2000/29/EC to eradicate or contain a plant disease or pest which destroys more than 30 % of the average annual production 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.

2.

The occurrence of an adverse climatic event or the outbreak of an animal or plant disease or pest infestation has to be formally recognised as such by the competent authority of the Member State concerned.

Member States may, where appropriate, establish in advance criteria on the basis of which such formal recognition shall be deemed to be granted.

3.

Insurance payments shall compensate for not more than the total of the cost of replacing the losses referred to in Article 37(1)(a) and shall not require or specify the type or quantity of future production.

Member States may limit the amount of the premium that is eligible for support by applying appropriate ceilings.

4. Support shall be limited to the

maximum rate laid down in Annex I.

Or. it

Amendment 1596

Sergio Gutiérrez Prieto, Iratxe García Pérez, Ricardo Cortés Lastra, Alejandro Cercas

Proposal for a regulation

Article 38 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

1. Support under Article 37(1)(a) shall only be granted for insurance contracts which cover for loss caused by an adverse climatic event or by an animal or plant disease or a pest infestation or a measure adopted in accordance with Directive 2000/29/EC to eradicate or contain a plant disease or pest which ***destroys more than 30 % of the average annual production 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

1. Support under Article 37(1)(a) shall only be granted for insurance contracts which cover for loss caused by an adverse climatic event or by an animal or plant disease or a pest infestation or a measure adopted in accordance with Directive 2000/29/EC to eradicate or contain a plant disease or pest which ***causes a significant loss in income which takes into account the characteristics of each type of product or holding. The loss shall be calculated in terms of the equivalent yield loss in a specific year.***

Or. es

Justification

The 30% threshold is too high and discourages farmers from using risk management tools. The holding's yield should be used as a basis, as the volatility of prices and costs means they must be determined individually each year.

Amendment 1597

Czesław Adam Siekierski, Jarosław Kalinowski, Elżbieta Katarzyna Łukacijewska, Artur Zasada

Proposal for a regulation

Article 38 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

1. Support under Article 37(1)(a) shall only be granted for insurance contracts which cover for loss caused by an adverse climatic event or by an animal or plant disease or a pest infestation or a measure adopted in accordance with Directive 2000/29/EC to eradicate or contain a plant disease or pest **which destroys more than 30 % of the average annual production 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

1. Support under Article 37(1)(a) shall only be granted for insurance contracts which cover for loss caused by an adverse climatic event or by an animal or plant disease or a pest infestation or a measure adopted in accordance with Directive 2000/29/EC to eradicate or contain a plant disease or pest. **Such insurance should cover losses calculated on basis of average annual production of a sector covered by insurance.**

Or. en

Amendment 1598

Luís Paulo Alves

Proposal for a regulation

Article 38 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

1. Support under Article 37(1)(a) shall only be granted for insurance contracts which cover for loss caused by an adverse climatic event or by an animal or plant disease or a pest infestation or a measure adopted in accordance with Directive 2000/29/EC to eradicate or contain a plant disease or pest which destroys more than **30% of** the average annual production 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

1. Support under Article 37(1)(a) shall only be granted for insurance contracts which cover loss caused by an adverse climatic event or by an animal or plant disease or a pest infestation or **for** a measure adopted in accordance with Directive 2000/29/EC to eradicate or contain a plant disease or pest which **causes a reduction in annual production of** more than **15% compared with** the average annual production of the farmer. **The average annual production shall be calculated by taking the figures for** the preceding **three years or for** the preceding **five years**, excluding the highest and **the** lowest **figures, or, in duly justified exceptional circumstances, by taking the figures for any one year in the preceding five years.**

Measurement of the extent of the losses caused may be tailored to the specific characteristics of each type of product using

(a) biological indices (quantity of biomass lost) or equivalent yield loss indices established at holding, local, regional, or national level, or

(b) weather indices (rainfall, temperature, etc.) established at local, regional, or national level.

Or. pt

Amendment 1599
Maria do Céu Patrão Neves

Proposal for a regulation
Article 38 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

1. Support under Article 37(1)(a) shall only be granted for insurance contracts which cover for loss caused by an adverse climatic event or by an animal or plant disease or a pest infestation or a measure adopted in accordance with Directive 2000/29/EC to eradicate or contain a plant disease or pest which destroys more than **30%** of the average annual production 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

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Losses may be measured according to each type of product by using biological indices (based for example on the quantity of biomass lost) or equivalent yield loss indices established at holding or aggregate level.

Or. pt

Amendment 1600
Michel Dantin, Agnès Le Brun

Proposal for a regulation
Article 38 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

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The measurement of the extent of the loss caused may also be tailored to the specific characteristics of each type of product using:

(a) biological indexes (quantity of biomass loss) or equivalent yield loss indexes established at farm, local, regional or national level, or

(b) weather indexes (quantity of rainfall, temperature, etc) established at local, regional or national level.

Or. fr

Amendment 1601
George Lyon

Proposal for a regulation
Article 38 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

1. Support under Article 37(1)(a) shall only be granted for insurance contracts which cover for loss caused by an adverse climatic event or by an animal or plant disease or a pest infestation or a measure adopted in accordance with Directive 2000/29/EC to eradicate or contain a plant disease or pest which destroys more than 30 % of the average annual production 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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Or. en

Justification

The use of index-based systems to calculate the losses should be allowed if Member States wish to use such systems, in view of administrative simplification.

Amendment 1602

Hynek Fajmon

Proposal for a regulation

Article 38 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

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Amendment

1. Support under Article 37(1)(a) shall only be granted for insurance contracts which cover for loss caused by an adverse climatic event or by an animal or plant disease or a pest infestation or a measure adopted in accordance with Directive 2000/29/EC to eradicate or contain a plant disease or pest which destroys more than 30 % of the average annual production of the ***crop or production of individual farm***

period or a three-year average based on the preceding five-year period, excluding the highest and lowest entry.

animal species 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.

Or. en

Amendment 1603

Michel Dantin, Agnès Le Brun

Proposal for a regulation

Article 38 – paragraph 4 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

4a. Where the guarantee referred to in paragraph 1 is included in insurance cover that also covers other risks, the proportion of the premium corresponding to the guarantee referred to in paragraph 1 shall be eligible for aid under Article 37(1)(a).

Or. fr

Amendment 1604

Ulrike Rodust, Karin Kadenbach, Christel Schaldemose, Brian Simpson, Åsa Westlund

Proposal for a regulation

Article 39

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

[...]

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Or. en

Amendment 1605

Patrick Le Hyaric, Willy Meyer, Kyriacos Triantaphyllides

Proposal for a regulation
Article 39

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

[...]

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Or. fr

Amendment 1606
Salvatore Caronna

Proposal for a regulation
Article 39

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

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Or. it

Amendment 1607
Michel Dantin, Agnès Le Brun

Proposal for a regulation
Article 39 – title

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

Mutual funds for animal and plant diseases
and environmental incidents

Mutual funds for animal and plant diseases
*or organisms harmful to animals or
plants* and environmental incidents

Or. fr

Amendment 1608
Sergio Gutiérrez Prieto, Iratxe García Pérez, Ricardo Cortés Lastra, Alejandro Cercas

Proposal for a regulation
Article 39 – title

Text proposed by the Commission

Mutual funds for animal and plant diseases
and environmental incidents

Amendment

Mutual funds **and insurance** for animal
and plant diseases, environmental incidents
and adverse climatic events

Or. es

Amendment 1609

Alyn Smith

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Proposal for a regulation

Article 39 – paragraph 1 – introductory part

Text proposed by the Commission

1. In order to be eligible for support the
mutual fund concerned shall:

Amendment

1. ***Support under this measure shall cover
administrative and technical assistance to
mutual funds which pay financial
compensations to farmers for economic
losses caused by the outbreak of an
animal or plant disease or an
environmental incident.*** In order to be
eligible for support the mutual fund
concerned shall:

Or. en

Amendment 1610

Alyn Smith

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Proposal for a regulation

Article 39 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

2. Member States shall define the rules for
the constitution and management of the
mutual funds, in particular for the granting
of compensation payments to farmers in
the event of crisis and for the

Amendment

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the event of crisis and for the

administration and monitoring of compliance with these rules.

administration and monitoring of compliance with these rules. ***However, as a general rule, farmers will only be eligible for compensation if they have taken all necessary precautionary measures to improve the resilience of their holding against environmental degradation, animal and plant diseases, and climate change events***

Or. en

Amendment 1611

Maria do Céu Patrão Neves

Proposal for a regulation

Article 39 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

2. Member States shall define the rules for the constitution and management of the mutual funds, in particular for the granting of compensation payments to farmers in the event of crisis and for the administration and monitoring of compliance with these rules.

Amendment

2. Member States shall define the rules for the constitution and management of the mutual funds, in particular for the granting of compensation payments to farmers, ***their cooperatives, or producer organisations recognised under Article 106 of Regulation (EU) No (CMO/2012)***, in the event of crisis and for the administration and monitoring of compliance with these rules. ***Member States may combine insurance and mutual fund schemes.***

Or. pt

Amendment 1612

Mariya Gabriel

Proposal for a regulation

Article 39 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

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Amendment

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Or. bg

Amendment 1613

Alyn Smith

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Proposal for a regulation

Article 39 – paragraph 3 – subparagraph 1 – introductory part

Text proposed by the Commission

The financial contributions *referred to in Article 37(1)(b)* may only relate to:

Amendment

The financial contributions *from all public funds, such as the EAFRD, and national and regional funding, to the mutual funds* may only relate to:

Or. en

Amendment 1614

Marc Tarabella

Proposal for a regulation

Article 39 – paragraph 3 – subparagraph 1 – introductory part

Text proposed by the Commission

The financial contributions referred to in Article 37(1)(b) may only relate to:

Amendment

The financial contributions *to mutual funds* referred to in Article 37(1)(b) may only relate to:

Or. fr

Amendment 1615

Alyn Smith

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Proposal for a regulation

Article 39 – paragraph 3 – subparagraph 1 – point b

Text proposed by the Commission

(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.**

Amendment

(b) the **administrative costs of running** the mutual fund.

Or. en

Amendment 1616

Herbert Dorfmann

Proposal for a regulation

Article 39 – paragraph 3 – subparagraph 1 – point b

Text proposed by the Commission

(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.

Amendment

(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 **or to the insurance premiums for policies taken out by the mutual fund at market cost. As an alternative to those amounts, the financial contributions may be used towards the capital stock, up to a maximum level of 65% of the contributions paid by the farmers.**

Or. it

Amendment 1617
Maria do Céu Patrão Neves

Proposal for a regulation
Article 39 – paragraph 3 – subparagraph 1 – point b

Text proposed by the Commission

(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.

Amendment

(b) the amounts paid by the mutual fund as financial compensation to farmers, ***their cooperatives, or producer organisations recognised under Article 106 of Regulation (EU) No (CMO/2012)***. 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, ***their cooperatives, or producer organisations recognised under Article 106 of Regulation (EU) No (CMO/2012)***, in case of crisis.

Or. pt

Amendment 1618
Sergio Paolo Francesco Silvestris

Proposal for a regulation
Article 39 – paragraph 3 – subparagraph 1 – point b

Text proposed by the Commission

(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.

Amendment

(b) the amounts paid by the mutual fund as financial compensation to farmers. In addition, the financial contribution may relate to ***capital or*** interest on commercial loans taken out by the mutual fund for the purpose of paying the financial compensation to farmers in case of crisis.

Or. en

Amendment 1619
Herbert Dorfmann

Proposal for a regulation
Article 39 – paragraph 3 – subparagraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

No contribution by public funds shall be made to initial capital stock. *deleted*

Or. it

Amendment 1620
Maria do Céu Patrão Neves

Proposal for a regulation
Article 39 – paragraph 3 – subparagraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

No contribution by public funds shall be made to initial capital stock. *deleted*

Or. pt

Amendment 1621
Czesław Adam Siekierski, Jarosław Kalinowski, Elżbieta Katarzyna Łukacijewska, Artur Zasada

Proposal for a regulation
Article 39 – paragraph 3 – subparagraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

No contribution by public funds shall be made to initial capital stock. *Partial contribution by public funds to initial capital stock is possible*

Or. en

Amendment 1622
Alyn Smith
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Proposal for a regulation
Article 39 – paragraph 3 – subparagraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

No contribution by public funds shall be made to initial capital stock.

Amendment

No contribution by public funds shall be made to initial capital stock. ***No contributions by public funds shall be made to the amounts paid by the mutual fund as financial compensation to farmers.***

Or. en

Amendment 1623
Alyn Smith
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Proposal for a regulation
Article 39 – paragraph 4

Text proposed by the Commission

4. As regards animal diseases, financial compensation ***under Article 37(1)(b)*** may only be granted in respect of diseases ***mentioned in the list of animal diseases established by the World Organisation for Animal Health and/or in the Annex to Decision 90/424/EEC.***

Amendment

4. As regards animal diseases, financial compensation may only be granted in respect of diseases ***which do not occur due to unsustainable systems like industrial farming and monocultures***

Or. en

Amendment 1624
Sergio Gutiérrez Prieto, Iratxe García Pérez, Ricardo Cortés Lastra, Alejandro Cercas

Proposal for a regulation
Article 39 – paragraph 4

Text proposed by the Commission

4. As regards animal diseases, financial compensation under Article 37(1)(b) may ***only*** be granted in respect of diseases

Amendment

4. As regards animal diseases, financial compensation under Article 37(1)(b) may be granted in respect of diseases mentioned

mentioned in the list of animal diseases established by the World Organisation for Animal Health and/or in the Annex to Decision 90/424/EEC.

in the list of animal diseases established by the World Organisation for Animal Health and/or in the Annex to Decision 90/424/EEC, **as well as for any other emerging disease not included in these lists.**

Or. es

Justification

Every day there are more examples of diseases appearing that did not previously exist in the Union, such as bluetongue disease, bird flu or the Schmallenberg virus, and which definitely imply that there is a risk at present.

Amendment 1625

Ulrike Rodust, Karin Kadenbach, Christel Schaldemose, Brian Simpson, Åsa Westlund

Proposal for a regulation

Article 40

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

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Or. en

Amendment 1626

Alyn Smith

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Proposal for a regulation

Article 40

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

[...]

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Or. en

Amendment 1627

Julie Girling

Proposal for a regulation

Article 40

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

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Or. en

Justification

The income stabilisation tool is not a good use of Rural Development Funds as it could be very expensive and unstable and in extreme circumstances could need to be larger than some Member State's Pillar II allocations, as indicated by the Commission's Impact Assessment.

Amendment 1628

Patrick Le Hyaric, Willy Meyer, Kyriacos Triantaphyllides

Proposal for a regulation

Article 40

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

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Or. fr

Amendment 1629

Salvatore Caronna

Proposal for a regulation

Article 40

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

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Or. it

Amendment 1630
Britta Reimers, Peter Jahr

Proposal for a regulation
Article 40 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

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Or. de

Justification

Income stabilisation solutions of this type are considerably less efficient than comparable and available hedging opportunities based on promissory contracts and futures markets.

Amendment 1631
Marit Paulsen, George Lyon

Proposal for a regulation
Article 40 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

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excluding the highest and lowest entry. Income for the purposes of Article 37(1)(c) shall refer to the sum of **revenues** the farmer receives from the market, **including any form of public support, deducting input costs**. Payments by the mutual fund to farmers shall compensate for not more than 70% of the income lost.

excluding the highest and lowest entry. Income for the purposes of Article 37(1)(c) shall refer to the sum of **income** the farmer receives from **agricultural produce on** the market. Payments by the mutual fund to farmers shall compensate for not more than 70% of the income lost.

Or. en

Justification

To adjust this measure to the aim stated in Recital (37) the security of income rather than profit should be the aim of this measure.

Amendment 1632

Salvador Sedó i Alabart, Ramon Tremosa i Balcells, Raimon Obiols, Maria Badia i Cutchet, Santiago Fisas Ayxela

Proposal for a regulation Article 40 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

1. Support under Article 37(1)(c) may only be granted where the drop of income exceeds 30% of the average annual income of the individual 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. Income for the purposes of Article 37(1)(c) shall refer to the sum of revenues the farmer receives from the market, including any form of public support, deducting input costs. Payments by the mutual fund to farmers shall compensate for not more than 70% of the income lost.

Amendment

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Justification

The amendment to this article has been proposed to ensure that insurance premiums are eligible for support through this income stabilisation tool and to clarify their inclusion in RDPs, where applicable.

Amendment 1633

Maria do Céu Patrão Neves

Proposal for a regulation

Article 40 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

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Amendment

1. Support under Article 37(1)(c) may only be granted where the drop of income exceeds 30% of the average annual income of the individual 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. ***The support may also be granted when the average value of a cooperative or producer organisation's marketed production is 20% higher than the three-year average value of marketed production, based on the preceding five-year period, excluding the highest and the lowest entry.*** Income for the purposes of Article 37(1)(c) shall refer to the sum of revenues the farmer receives from the market, including any form of public support, deducting input costs. Payments by the mutual fund ***or under insurance schemes*** to farmers shall compensate for not more than 70% of the income lost ***or the average value of marketed production in the case of cooperatives or producer organisations.***

Or. pt

Amendment 1634
Giovanni La Via, Sergio Paolo Francesco Silvestris

Proposal for a regulation
Article 40 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

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Amendment

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Or. it

Amendment 1635
Sergio Paolo Francesco Silvestris

Proposal for a regulation
Article 40 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

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farmer receives from the market, including any form of public support, deducting input costs. Payments by the mutual fund *to farmers* shall compensate for not more than 70% of the income lost.

farmer receives from the market, including *for any form of production relating to activities connected with agriculture and* any form of public support, deducting input costs. Payments *to farmers* by the mutual fund *or under insurance claims* shall compensate for not more than 70% of the income lost.

Or. it

Amendment 1636

Sergio Gutiérrez Prieto, Iratxe García Pérez, Ricardo Cortés Lastra, Alejandro Cercas

Proposal for a regulation Article 40 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

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Amendment

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Or. es

Amendment 1637

Esther Herranz García, Gabriel Mato Adrover, Pilar Ayuso, María Auxiliadora Correa Zamora

Proposal for a regulation Article 40 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

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Or. es

Justification

Insurance and the conditions for compensation from insurance are included in this article on the income stabilisation tool in keeping with the amendment to Article 37.

Amendment 1638
Izaskun Bilbao Barandica

Proposal for a regulation
Article 40 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

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Amendment

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input costs. Payments by the mutual fund to farmers shall compensate for not more than 70% of the income lost.

the mutual fund **or from insurance** to farmers shall compensate for not more than 70% of the income lost.

Or. es

Justification

In keeping with the amendment to Article 37. Input costs are removed because in a large part of the sectors, it is their growth and the freeze on sale prices for produce that is the primary cause of the imbalance in farmers' incomes.

Amendment 1639

Agustín Díaz de Mera García Consuegra

Proposal for a regulation

Article 40 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

1. Support under Article 37(1)(c) may only be granted where the drop of income exceeds 30% of the average annual income of the individual 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. Income for the purposes of Article 37(1)(c) shall refer to the sum of revenues the farmer receives from the market, including any form of public support, deducting input costs. Payments by the mutual fund to farmers shall compensate for not more than 70% of the income lost.

Amendment

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Or. es

Amendment 1640

Herbert Dorfmann

Proposal for a regulation

Article 40 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

1. Support under Article 37(1)(c) may only be granted where the drop of income exceeds 30% of the average annual income of the individual 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. Income for the purposes of Article 37(1)(c) shall refer to the sum of revenues the farmer receives from the market, including any form of public support, deducting input costs. Payments by the mutual fund *to farmers* shall compensate for not more than 70% of the income lost.

Amendment

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Or. it

Amendment 1641
George Lyon

Proposal for a regulation
Article 40 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

1. Support under Article 37(1)(c) may only be granted where the drop of income exceeds 30% of the average annual income of the individual 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. Income for the purposes of Article 37(1)(c) shall refer to the sum of revenues the farmer receives from the market, including any form of public support, deducting input costs. Payments by the mutual fund to farmers shall compensate for not more than 70% of the income lost.

Amendment

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may be used.

Or. en

Justification

The use of index-based systems to calculate the losses should be allowed if Member States wish to use such systems, in view of administrative simplification.

Amendment 1642

Sergio Gutiérrez Prieto, Iratxe García Pérez, Ricardo Cortés Lastra, Alejandro Cercas

Proposal for a regulation

Article 40 – paragraph 1 – subparagraph 1 (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

Likewise the aid provided for in Article 37 may also be granted when the drop in annual income exceeds 30% of the farmer's production costs per crop or livestock herd. Total income per crop or livestock herd shall refer to the sum of revenues the farmer receives from the market, including any form of public support and deducting input costs, payments by the mutual fund or insurance company to farmers which shall compensate for not more than 70% of the income lost.

Or. es

Amendment 1643

Sergio Gutiérrez Prieto, Iratxe García Pérez, Ricardo Cortés Lastra, Alejandro Cercas

Proposal for a regulation

Article 40 – paragraph 2 – introductory part

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

2. In order to be eligible for support the mutual fund concerned shall:

2. In order to be eligible for support the mutual fund *and the insurance premiums*

concerned shall:

Or. es

Amendment 1644

Sergio Gutiérrez Prieto, Iratxe García Pérez, Ricardo Cortés Lastra, Alejandro Cercas

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

Text proposed by the Commission

3. Member States shall define the rules for the constitution and management of the mutual funds, in particular for the granting of compensation payments to farmers in the event of crisis and for the administration and monitoring of compliance with these rules.

Amendment

3. Member States shall define the rules for the constitution and management of the mutual funds ***and the insurance premiums***, in particular for the granting of compensation payments to farmers in the event of crisis and for the administration and monitoring of compliance with these rules.

Or. es

Amendment 1645

Giovanni La Via, Sergio Paolo Francesco Silvestris

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

Text proposed by the Commission

3. Member States shall define the rules for the constitution and management of the mutual funds, in particular for the granting of compensation payments to farmers in the event of crisis and for the administration and monitoring of compliance with these rules.

Amendment

3. Member States shall define the rules for the constitution and management of the mutual funds ***and of the insurance contracts***, in particular for the granting of compensation payments to farmers in the event of crisis and for the administration and monitoring of compliance with these rules.

Or. it

Amendment 1646
Herbert Dorfmann

Proposal for a regulation
Article 40 – paragraph 3

Text proposed by the Commission

3. Member States shall define the rules for the constitution and management of the mutual funds, in particular for the granting of compensation payments to farmers in the event of crisis and for the administration and monitoring of compliance with these rules.

Amendment

3. Member States shall define the rules for the constitution and management of the mutual funds, in particular for the granting of compensation payments to farmers in the event of crisis and for the administration and monitoring of compliance with these rules, **and of the insurance contracts**.

Or. it

Amendment 1647
Maria do Céu Patrão Neves

Proposal for a regulation
Article 40 – paragraph 3

Text proposed by the Commission

3. Member States shall define the rules for the constitution and management of the mutual funds, in particular for the granting of compensation payments to farmers in the event of crisis and for the administration and monitoring of compliance with these rules.

Amendment

3. Member States shall define the rules for the constitution and management of the mutual funds, in particular for the granting of compensation payments to farmers, **cooperatives, and producer organisations** in the event of crisis and for the administration and monitoring of compliance with these rules.

Or. pt

Amendment 1648
Giancarlo Scottà, Carlo Fidanza, Mara Bizzotto, Mario Borghezio, Lorenzo Fontana, Claudio Morganti, Fiorello Provera, Oreste Rossi, Matteo Salvini, Francesco Enrico Speroni, Lara Comi

Proposal for a regulation
Article 40 – paragraph 4 – subparagraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

The financial contributions referred to in Article 37(1)(c) may only relate to 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.

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Or. it

Amendment 1649
Paolo De Castro

Proposal for a regulation
Article 40 – paragraph 4 – subparagraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

The financial contributions referred to in Article 37(1)(c) may only relate to 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.

Support under Article 37(1)(c) may take the form of a financial contribution towards farmers' payments into the mutual fund.

Or. it

Amendment 1650
Herbert Dorfmann

Proposal for a regulation
Article 40 – paragraph 4 – subparagraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

The financial contributions referred to in Article 37(1)(c) may only relate to 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.

Amendment

The financial contributions referred to in Article 37(1)(c) may only relate to the amounts paid by the mutual fund **to farmers** as financial compensation **or as a share of the cost of the insurance policies that may be taken out by farmers individually, or by groups of farmers collectively**. 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 **or to the insurance premiums for policies taken out by the mutual fund at market prices**.

As an alternative to those amounts, the financial contributions may be used as capital stock for mutual funds, up to a maximum level of 65% of the contributions paid by the farmers.

Or. it

Amendment 1651

Giovanni La Via, Sergio Paolo Francesco Silvestris

Proposal for a regulation

Article 40 – paragraph 4 – subparagraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

The financial contributions referred to in Article 37(1)(c) may only relate to 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.

Amendment

The financial contributions referred to in Article 37(1)(c) may only relate to the amounts paid by the mutual fund **to farmers** as financial compensation **or as a share of the cost of insurance policies that may be taken out by 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 **or to the insurance premiums for the policies taken out by the**

mutual fund. As an alternative to those amounts, the financial contributions may be used as capital stock for mutual funds, up to a maximum level of 65% of the contributions paid by the farmers.

Or. it

Amendment 1652

Sergio Paolo Francesco Silvestris

Proposal for a regulation

Article 40 – paragraph 4 – subparagraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

The financial contributions referred to in Article 37(1)(c) may only relate to 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.

Amendment

The financial contributions referred to in Article 37(1)(c) ***shall only be granted for insurance policies covering the losses of income referred to in paragraph 1 or, alternatively,*** may only relate to 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.

Or. it

Amendment 1653

Sergio Gutiérrez Prieto, Iratxe García Pérez, Ricardo Cortés Lastra, Alejandro Cercas

Proposal for a regulation

Article 40 – paragraph 4 – subparagraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

The financial contributions referred to in Article 37(1)(c) may only relate to the amounts paid by the mutual fund as financial compensation to farmers. In addition, the financial contribution may

Amendment

The financial contributions referred to in Article 37(1)(c) may only relate to the amounts paid by the mutual fund ***and through insurance premiums*** as financial compensation to farmers. In addition, the

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.

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.

Or. es

Amendment 1654

Maria do Céu Patrão Neves

Proposal for a regulation

Article 40 – paragraph 4 – subparagraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

The financial contributions referred to in Article 37(1)(c) may only relate to 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.

Amendment

The financial contributions referred to in Article 37(1)(c) may only relate to the amounts paid by the mutual fund as financial compensation to farmers, ***cooperatives, and producer organisations.*** 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.

Or. pt

Amendment 1655

Giancarlo Scottà, Carlo Fidanza, Vincenzo Iovine, Mara Bizzotto, Mario Borghezio, Lorenzo Fontana, Claudio Morganti, Fiorello Provera, Oreste Rossi, Matteo Salvini, Francesco Enrico Speroni, Lara Comi

Proposal for a regulation

Article 40 – paragraph 4 – subparagraph 1 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

Support under Article 37(1)(c) may take the form of a financial contribution towards farmers' payments into the mutual fund. Member States shall lay down rules governing farmers'

contributions to the fund.

Or. it

Amendment 1656
Herbert Dorfmann

Proposal for a regulation
Article 40 – paragraph 4 – subparagraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

No contribution by public funds shall be made to initial capital stock. *deleted*

Or. it

Amendment 1657
Maria do Céu Patrão Neves

Proposal for a regulation
Article 40 – paragraph 4 – subparagraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

No contribution by public funds shall be made to initial capital stock. *deleted*

Or. pt

Amendment 1658
Paolo De Castro

Proposal for a regulation
Article 40 – paragraph 4 – subparagraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

No contribution by public funds shall be made to initial capital stock. *Member States shall lay down rules governing farmers' contributions to the fund.*

Or. it

Amendment 1659

**Czesław Adam Siekierski, Jarosław Kalinowski, Elżbieta Katarzyna Łukacijewska,
Artur Zasada**

Proposal for a regulation

Article 40 – paragraph 4 – subparagraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

No contribution by public funds *shall be made* to initial capital stock.

Amendment

Partial contribution by public funds to initial capital stock *is possible*.

Or. en

Amendment 1660

Sergio Paolo Francesco Silvestris

Proposal for a regulation

Article 40 – paragraph 4 – subparagraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

No contribution by public funds shall be made to initial capital stock.

Amendment

No contribution by public funds shall be made to initial capital stock *of the mutual fund*.

Or. it

Amendment 1661

**Esther Herranz García, Gabriel Mato Adrover, María Auxiliadora Correa Zamora,
Pilar Ayuso**

Proposal for a regulation

Article 40 – paragraph 4 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

4a. The competent authority of the Member State concerned shall formally recognise that there has been a significant

drop in the farmer's income. Member States may, where appropriate, establish in advance criteria on the basis of which such formal recognition shall be deemed to be granted. Compensation from insurance shall be paid without any requirements or specifications being made as to the type or quantity of future production.

Or. es

Justification

Insurance and the conditions for compensation from insurance are included in this article on the income stabilisation tool in keeping with the amendment to Article 37.

Amendment 1662

Sergio Gutiérrez Prieto, Iratxe García Pérez, Ricardo Cortés Lastra, Alejandro Cercas

Proposal for a regulation

Article 40 – paragraph 5

Text proposed by the Commission

5. Support shall be limited to the maximum rate laid down in Annex I.

Amendment

5. The competent authority of the Member State concerned shall formally recognise that there has been a significant drop in the farmer's income.

Or. es

Amendment 1663

Sergio Gutiérrez Prieto, Iratxe García Pérez, Ricardo Cortés Lastra, Alejandro Cercas

Proposal for a regulation

Article 40 – paragraph 5 – subparagraph 1 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Member States may, where appropriate, establish in advance criteria on the basis of which such formal recognition shall be

deemed to be granted.

Or. es

Amendment 1664

Sergio Gutiérrez Prieto, Iratxe García Pérez, Ricardo Cortés Lastra, Alejandro Cercas

Proposal for a regulation

Article 40 – paragraph 5 – subparagraph 1 b (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

Compensation from insurance shall be paid without any requirements or specifications being made as to the type or quantity of future production.

Or. es

Justification

Insurance and the conditions for payment of compensation under insurance should be included.

Amendment 1665

Ulrike Rodust, Karin Kadenbach, Christel Schaldemose, Brian Simpson, Åsa Westlund

Proposal for a regulation

Article 41

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

Article 41

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Rules on the implementation of the measures

The Commission shall, by means of implementing acts, adopt rules on the implementation of the measures in this section concerning:

(a) procedures for selection of authorities or bodies offering farm and forestry advisory services, farm management or

farm relief services and the degressivity of the aid under the advisory services measure referred to in Article 16 ;

(b) the assessment by the Member State of the progress of the business plan, payment options as well as modalities for access to other measures for young farmers under the farm and business development measure referred to in Article 20;

(c) demarcation with other measures, conversion to units other than those used in Annex I, calculation of transaction costs and conversion or adjustment of commitments under the agri-environment-climate measure referred to in Article 29, the organic farming measure referred to in Article 30 and the forest-environmental and climate services and forest conservation measure referred to in Article 35;

(d) the possibility of using standard assumptions of income foregone under the measures of Articles 29, 30, 31, 32, 34 and 35 and criteria for its calculation;

(e) calculation of the amount of support where an operation is eligible for support under more than one measures.

These implementing acts shall be adopted in accordance with the examination procedure referred to in Article 91.

Or. en

Amendment 1666
Salvatore Caronna

Proposal for a regulation
Article 41

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

Article 41

deleted

Rules on the implementation of the

measures

The Commission shall, by means of implementing acts, adopt rules on the implementation of the measures in this section concerning:

(a) procedures for selection of authorities or bodies offering farm and forestry advisory services, farm management or farm relief services and the degressivity of the aid under the advisory services measure referred to in Article 16 ;

(b) the assessment by the Member State of the progress of the business plan, payment options as well as modalities for access to other measures for young farmers under the farm and business development measure referred to in Article 20;

(c) demarcation with other measures, conversion to units other than those used in Annex I, calculation of transaction costs and conversion or adjustment of commitments under the agri-environment-climate measure referred to in Article 29, the organic farming measure referred to in Article 30 and the forest-environmental services and forest conservation measure referred to in Article 35;

(d) the possibility of using standard assumptions of income foregone under the measures of Articles 29 to 32, 34 and 35 and criteria for its calculation;

(e) calculation of the amount of support where an operation is eligible for support under more than one measures.

These implementing acts shall be adopted in accordance with the examination procedure referred to in Article 91.

Or. it

Amendment 1667
Hans-Peter Mayer

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

Text proposed by the Commission

(b) the assessment by the Member State of the progress of the business plan, **payment options as well as modalities for access to other measures for young farmers under the farm and business development measure referred to in Article 20;**

Amendment

(b) the assessment by the Member State of the progress of the business plan;

Or. de

Justification

The decision on access to other measures is not a purely technical one.

Amendment 1668

Marit Paulsen, Britta Reimers, Liam Aylward, George Lyon, Sylvie Goulard

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

Text proposed by the Commission

(c) demarcation with other measures, conversion to units other than those used in Annex I, calculation of transaction costs and conversion or adjustment of commitments under the agri-environment-climate measure referred to in Article 29, the organic farming measure referred to in Article 30 and the forest-environmental and climate services and forest conservation measure referred to in Article 35;

Amendment

(c) demarcation with other measures, conversion to units other than those used in Annex I, calculation of transaction costs and conversion or adjustment of commitments under the agri-environment-climate measure referred to in Article 29, the organic farming measure referred to in Article 30, **the animal welfare measure referred to in Article 34** and the forest-environmental and climate services and forest conservation measure referred to in Article 35;

Or. en

Justification

Article 34 also mentions transaction costs whereby these should be outlined in this context

along with the transaction costs of the other measures.

Amendment 1669
Hans-Peter Mayer

Proposal for a regulation
Article 41 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

Article 41a

The Commission shall be empowered to adopt delegated acts, in accordance with Article 90, concerning payment options as well as modalities for access to other measures for young farmers under the farm and business development measure referred to in Article 20.

Or. de

Amendment 1670
Czesław Adam Siekierski, Jarosław Kalinowski, Elżbieta Katarzyna Łukacijewska, Artur Zasada

Proposal for a regulation
Article 42 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

1. In addition to the tasks referred to in Article 30 of Regulation (EU) No [CSF/2012] local action groups may also perform additional tasks delegated to them by the Managing Authority and/or the paying agency.

1. In addition to the tasks referred to in Article 30 of Regulation (EU) No [CSF/2012] local action groups may also:

(a) perform additional tasks delegated to them by the Managing Authority and/or the paying agency, ***or***

(b) ***implement alone or together with partners operations with wide territorial dimension called „umbrella project” within local development strategy.***

Justification

We propose to allow local action groups for independent implementation of projects in the framework of local development strategy of the broad territorial reach, with participation of partners from the LDS area. The current regulations limit the role of LAGs to being an intermediary in transfer of financial means and an animator. It seems that possibility of realisation of flagship projects in the framework of a strategy would create a significant added value. Moreover, our polish experiences show that there is a huge demand for small-scale projects of short duration. Unfortunately, in situation when they have to follow the same administrative path, many applicants resign. Thanks to the proposed amendment, those partners would have contact only with a LAG and they would not need to get through the complicated administrative path.

Amendment 1671

Sergio Gutiérrez Prieto, Iratxe García Pérez, Ricardo Cortés Lastra, Alejandro Cercas

Proposal for a regulation**Article 42 – paragraph 1***Text proposed by the Commission*

1. In addition to the tasks referred to in Article 30 of Regulation (EU) No [CSF/2012] local action groups may also perform additional tasks delegated to them by the Managing Authority and/or the paying agency.

Amendment

1. In addition to the tasks referred to in Article 30 of Regulation (EU) No [CSF/2012] local action groups may also perform additional tasks delegated to them by the Managing Authority and/or the paying agency, ***except where these are directly related to agricultural holdings.***

Or. es

Justification

The various rural development measures targeting farm owners should be managed by the public authorities competent in the matter and should not be delegated to local action groups.

Amendment 1672

Czesław Adam Siekierski, Jarosław Kalinowski, Elżbieta Katarzyna Łukacijewska, Artur Zasada

Proposal for a regulation
Article 42 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

2. Local action groups may request the payment of an advance from the competent paying agency if such possibility is provided for in the rural development programme. The amount of the advances shall not exceed **50%** of the public support related to the running and animation costs.

Amendment

2. Local action groups may request the payment of an advance from the competent paying agency if such possibility is provided for in the rural development programme. The amount of the advances shall not exceed **80%** of the public support related to the running and animation costs.

Or. en

Justification

Taking into account significant problems of local action groups in access to credits, we propose to increase the amount of the advances up to 80%.

Amendment 1673
Phil Prendergast, Marian Harkin, Jim Higgins

Proposal for a regulation
Article 43 – paragraph 1 – point b

Text proposed by the Commission

(b) capacity building, training and networking with a view to preparing and implementing a local development strategy.

Amendment

(b) capacity building, training and networking with a view to preparing and implementing a **community-led** local development strategy.

Or. en

Amendment 1674
Karin Kadenbach

Proposal for a regulation
Article 43 – paragraph 1 – point b a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(ba) the promotion of activities geared to alternative foods, health training and participation campaigns, nutritional self sufficiency initiatives and activities aimed at the protection of food quality and animal welfare.

Or. en

Amendment 1675

Alyn Smith

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Proposal for a regulation

Article 44 – paragraph 1 – point b a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(ba) actions promoting local participation in planning and implementing of improved medical care, education, cultural activities, and other fields of local public services

Or. en

Amendment 1676

**Czesław Adam Siekierski, Jarosław Kalinowski, Elżbieta Katarzyna Łukacijewska,
Artur Zasada**

Proposal for a regulation

Article 44 – paragraph 1 – point b a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(ba) preparatory support mentioned in letter b) can be in form of advance payment up to 100% of public contribution, if such possibility is foreseen in the programme.

Justification

We propose adding an additional paragraph introducing rules enabling advance payment up to 100% for realisation of an umbrella project. These would be projects directly involving partners who do not apply for the support individually, due to financial constraints. In the framework of an umbrella project a LAG could transfer financial means to its partners in advance.

Amendment 1677

Sergio Gutiérrez Prieto, Iratxe García Pérez, Ricardo Cortés Lastra, Alejandro Cercas

Proposal for a regulation

Article 44 – paragraph 2 – point b a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(ba) bodies that pursue development objectives consistent with the priorities laid down in Article 5 of this Regulation.

Or. es

Amendment 1678

Giancarlo Scottà, Carlo Fidanza, Mara Bizzotto, Mario Borghezio, Lorenzo Fontana, Claudio Morganti, Fiorello Provera, Oreste Rossi, Matteo Salvini, Francesco Enrico Speroni, Lara Comi

Proposal for a regulation

Article 44 – paragraph 3 – subparagraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

In cases where co-operation projects are not selected by the local action groups, Member States shall establish a system of ongoing application for co-operation projects.

Member States shall establish a system of ongoing application for co-operation projects.

Or. it

Amendment 1679
Salvatore Caronna

Proposal for a regulation
Article 44 – paragraph 3 – subparagraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

In cases where co-operation projects are not selected by the local action groups, Member States shall establish a system of ongoing application for co-operation projects.

Amendment

Member States shall establish a system of ongoing application for co-operation projects.

Or. it

Amendment 1680
Salvador Sedó i Alabart, Ramon Tremosa i Balcells, Raimon Obiols, Maria Badia i Cutchet, Santiago Fisas Aixela

Proposal for a regulation
Article 44 – paragraph 3 – subparagraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

In cases where co-operation projects are not selected by the local action groups, Member States shall establish a system ***of ongoing application*** for co-operation projects.

Amendment

In cases where co-operation projects are not selected by the local action groups, Member States shall establish a system ***for applying*** for co-operation projects, ***paying heed to the time limits set by the Commission for this purpose.***

Or. es

Justification

It is proposed that a single time limit common to the whole Union be introduced for calls for proposals for transnational cooperation projects, as it is almost impossible to manage procedures of this kind without a common time limit.

Amendment 1681
James Nicholson, Julie Girling

Proposal for a regulation
Article 45 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

2. Costs for the animation of the territory referred to in **Article** 31(d) of Regulation (EU) No [CSF/2012] are costs to **cover actions** to inform about the local development strategy **as well as project development tasks**.

Amendment

2. Costs for the animation of the territory referred to in **article** 31(d) of Regulation (EU) No [CSF/2012] are costs **that occur in order to facilitate the exchange between stakeholders**, to inform about **and promote** the local development strategy **and to support potential beneficiaries to develop projects and prepare applications**

Or. en

Amendment 1682
Diane Dodds, James Nicholson

Proposal for a regulation
Article 45 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

2. Costs for the animation of the territory referred to in **Article** 31(d) of Regulation (EU) No [CSF/2012] are costs to **cover actions** to inform about the local development strategy **as well as project development tasks**.

Amendment

2. Costs for the animation of the territory referred to in **article** 31(d) of Regulation (EU) No [CSF/2012] are costs **that occur in order to facilitate the exchange between stakeholders**, to inform about **and promote** the local development strategy **and to support potential beneficiaries to develop projects and prepare applications**

Or. en

Amendment 1683
Sergio Gutiérrez Prieto, Iratxe García Pérez, Ricardo Cortés Lastra, Alejandro Cercas

Proposal for a regulation
Article 45 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

2. Costs for the animation of the territory

Amendment

2. Costs for the animation of the territory

referred to in Article 31(d) of Regulation (EU) No [CSF/2012] are costs to cover actions to inform about the local development strategy *as well as* project development tasks.

referred to in Article 31(d) of Regulation (EU) No [CSF/2012] are costs to cover ***tasks defined in Article 30(3) of Regulation (EU) No [CSF/2012]***, actions to inform about the local development strategy *and* project development tasks.

Or. es

Justification

Article 30(3) of Regulation (EU) No [CSF/2012] lays down the mandatory tasks local action groups will have to develop. Explicit reference is therefore necessary to the funds that may be used to perform these tasks.

Amendment 1684 Herbert Dorfmann

Proposal for a regulation Article 46 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

1. In order to be eligible for EAFRD support investment operations shall be preceded by an assessment of the expected environmental impact in accordance with legislation specific to that kind of investment where the investment is likely to have negative effects on the environment.

deleted

Or. it

Amendment 1685 Jarosław Kalinowski, Czesław Adam Siekierski, Artur Zasada, Elżbieta Katarzyna Łukacijewska, Elisabeth Köstinger

Proposal for a regulation Article 46 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

1. In order to be eligible for EAFRD support investment operations shall be preceded by an assessment of the expected environmental impact in accordance with legislation specific to that kind of investment where the investment is likely to have negative effects on the environment. *deleted*

Or. pl

Justification

We propose the removal of provisions referring to the need for environmental impact assessments to be carried out for all operations. It should be made clear that such assessments should only be carried out prior to the investments for which they are required under the rules in force.

Amendment 1686

Giancarlo Scottà, Carlo Fidanza, Mara Bizzotto, Mario Borghezio, Lorenzo Fontana, Claudio Morganti, Fiorello Provera, Oreste Rossi, Matteo Salvini, Francesco Enrico Speroni, Lara Comi

**Proposal for a regulation
Article 46 – paragraph 1**

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

1. In order to be eligible for EAFRD support investment operations shall be preceded by an assessment of the expected environmental impact in accordance with legislation specific to that kind of investment where the investment is likely to have negative effects on the environment. *deleted*

Or. it

Amendment 1687

Giovanni La Via, Sergio Paolo Francesco Silvestris

Proposal for a regulation
Article 46 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

1. In order to be eligible for EAFRD support investment operations shall be preceded by an assessment of the expected environmental impact in accordance with legislation specific to that kind of investment where the investment is likely to have negative effects on the environment.

deleted

Or. it

Amendment 1688
Karin Kadenbach

Proposal for a regulation
Article 46 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

1. In order to be eligible for EAFRD support investment operations shall be preceded by an assessment of the expected environmental impact in accordance with legislation specific to that kind of investment where the investment is likely to have negative effects on the environment.

1. In order to be eligible for EAFRD support investment operations shall be preceded by an assessment of the expected environmental impact in accordance with legislation specific to that kind of investment where the investment is likely to have negative effects on the environment. ***The only investments supported shall be those that contribute substantially to protecting the environment, the climate and animal welfare, and go significantly beyond what the law requires.***

Or. en

Amendment 1689
Marit Paulsen, Sylvie Goulard

Proposal for a regulation
Article 46 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

1. In order to be eligible for EAFRD support investment operations shall be preceded by an assessment of the expected environmental impact in accordance with legislation specific to that kind of investment where the investment is likely to have negative effects on the environment.

Amendment

1. In order to be eligible for EAFRD support investment operations shall be preceded by an assessment of the expected environmental impact in accordance with legislation specific to that kind of investment where the investment is likely to have negative effects on the environment. ***Support shall not be granted for investments in rearing systems that are likely to have a detrimental effect on animal welfare.***

Or. en

Amendment 1690

Alyn Smith

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Proposal for a regulation
Article 46 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

1. In order to be eligible for EAFRD support investment operations shall be preceded by an assessment of the expected environmental impact in accordance with legislation specific to that kind of investment where the investment is likely to have negative effects on the environment.

Amendment

1. In order to be eligible for EAFRD support investment operations shall be preceded by an assessment of the expected environmental impact in accordance with legislation specific to that kind of investment where the investment is likely to have negative effects on the environment. ***Member States shall give priority to investments which substantially improve environmental, climate and animal welfare performance of the holdings, which help diversify the income streams of farmers, and where groups of farmers, enterprises and rural development associations and networks engage in joint activities and investments.***

Or. en

Amendment 1691

Alyn Smith

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Proposal for a regulation

Article 46 – paragraph 2 – point a

Text proposed by the Commission

(a) the construction, acquisition, including leasing, or improvement of immovable property;

Amendment

(a) the construction, acquisition, including leasing, or improvement of immovable property, ***giving priority to energy saving and climate friendly construction materials***

Or. en

Amendment 1692

Alyn Smith

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Proposal for a regulation

Article 46 – paragraph 2 – point b

Text proposed by the Commission

(b) the purchase or lease purchase of ***new*** machinery and equipment including computing software up to the market value of the asset;

Amendment

(b) the purchase or lease purchase of machinery and equipment including computing software up to the market value of the asset; ***these investments must take into account the best energy efficiency standards and must respond to the challenges of climate change and the loss of biodiversity and soil fertility;***

Or. en

Amendment 1693

Alyn Smith

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Proposal for a regulation
Article 46 – paragraph 2 – point b

Text proposed by the Commission

(b) the purchase or lease purchase of **new** machinery and equipment including computing software up to the market value of the asset;

Amendment

(b) the purchase or lease purchase of machinery and equipment including computing software up to the market value of the asset;

Or. fr

Amendment 1694
Albert Deß, Elisabeth Köstinger

Proposal for a regulation
Article 46 – paragraph 2 – point c a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(ca) The purchase of advice to facilitate sustainable and economically viable production methods.

Or. en

Amendment 1695
Britta Reimers

Proposal for a regulation
Article 46 – paragraph 2 – point c a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(ca) The purchase of advice to facilitate sustainable and economically viable production methods

Or. en

Justification

In the context of a clear strategic orientation of the CAP towards innovation and

sustainability, Rural Development Objectives should further steer a comprehensive vision of innovation across the agro food chain. In order to improve the environmental performance of agriculture while keeping it economically viable farmers need proper advice to adapt their farming practices to the new requirements. Investments on this kind of professional advice should therefore be equally eligible for EAFRD support investment operations as this will incentive farmers to introduce environmentally-friendly farming practices and will accelerate transition towards a greener agriculture.

Amendment 1696

Sergio Gutiérrez Prieto, Iratxe García Pérez, Ricardo Cortés Lastra, Alejandro Cercas

Proposal for a regulation

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

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(ca) assessment costs to help ensure production methods are sustainable and economically viable.

Or. es

Amendment 1697

Sergio Paolo Francesco Silvestris

Proposal for a regulation

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

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(ca) Member States shall guarantee priority access to investment incentives and a 20% higher contribution to financing to farms which, through farmland consolidation, become larger-scale production units.

Or. it

Amendment 1698

Béla Glattfelder

Proposal for a regulation
Article 46 – paragraph 2 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

2a. In the case of construction or major renovation of any building, only investments that ensure that at least 50% of the energy need of the building will be covered by renewable energy sources shall be considered as eligible expenditure.

Or. en

Amendment 1699
Herbert Dorfmann

Proposal for a regulation
Article 46 – paragraph 3

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

3. In the case of irrigation, only investments that lead to a reduction of previous water use by at least 25% shall be considered as eligible expenditure. By way of derogation, in the Member States that adhered to the Union from 2004 onwards investments in new irrigation installations can be considered eligible expenditure in cases where an environmental analysis provides evidence that the investment concerned is sustainable and has no negative environmental impact.

deleted

Or. it

Amendment 1700
João Ferreira, Inês Cristina Zuber

Proposal for a regulation
Article 46 – paragraph 3

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

3. In the case of irrigation, only investments that lead to a reduction of previous water use by at least 25% shall be considered as eligible expenditure. By way of derogation, in the Member States that adhered to the Union from 2004 onwards investments in new irrigation installations can be considered eligible expenditure in cases where an environmental analysis provides evidence that the investment concerned is sustainable and has no negative environmental impact.

deleted

Or. pt

Amendment 1701

Maria do Céu Patrão Neves

Proposal for a regulation

Article 46 – paragraph 3

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

3. In the case of irrigation, only investments that lead to a reduction of previous water use by at least 25% shall be considered as eligible expenditure. By way of derogation, in the Member States that adhered to the Union from 2004 onwards investments in new irrigation installations can be considered eligible expenditure in cases where an environmental analysis provides evidence that the investment concerned is sustainable and has no negative environmental impact.

deleted

Or. pt

Amendment 1702
Elisabeth Jeggle, Marit Paulsen

Proposal for a regulation
Article 46 – paragraph 3

Text proposed by the Commission

3. In the case of irrigation, only investments that **lead to a reduction of previous water use by at least 25%** shall be considered as eligible expenditure. **By way of derogation, in the Member States that adhered to the Union from 2004 onwards investments in new irrigation installations can be considered eligible expenditure in cases where** an environmental analysis **provides** evidence that the investment concerned is sustainable and has no negative environmental impact.

Amendment

3. In the case of irrigation, **the** only investments that shall be considered as eligible expenditure **shall be those undertaken in areas where river basin management plans, with associated implementation programmes, have been drawn up under Directive 2000/60/EC, and which are in accordance with the environmental objectives of such plans. In the case of** investments in new irrigation installations **and the extension of existing ones**, an **independent** environmental analysis **shall be required to provide** evidence that the investment concerned is sustainable and has no negative environmental impact.

Or. de

Amendment 1703
Britta Reimers

Proposal for a regulation
Article 46 – paragraph 3

Text proposed by the Commission

3. In the case of irrigation, only investments **that lead to a reduction of previous water use by at least 25% shall be considered as eligible expenditure. By way of derogation, in the Member States that adhered to the Union from 2004 onwards investments in new irrigation installations can be considered eligible expenditure in cases where an environmental analysis provides evidence that the investment concerned is**

Amendment

3. In the case of irrigation, only investments **implemented within areas for which river basin management plans in the sense of Directive 2000/60/EC and relevant programmes of measures are in place and in conformity with their environmental objectives, shall be eligible expenditure. For investments resulting in the extension of the irrigated area an independent environmental analysis shall be also required.**

sustainable and has no negative environmental impact.

Or. en

Justification

There should be no discrimination between old and new Member States but a framework, ensuring that irrigation investments do not have a negative impact on water resources, should be provided for all Member States. This framework should be more demanding where investments extend irrigated areas to take account of the increased risk. The Commission should be empowered to define minimum standards to be respected within this framework.

Amendment 1704
Marian-Jean Marinescu

Proposal for a regulation
Article 46 – paragraph 3

Text proposed by the Commission

3. In the case of irrigation, only investments *that lead to a reduction of previous water use by at least 25% shall be considered as eligible expenditure. By way of derogation, in the Member States that adhered to the Union from 2004 onwards investments in new irrigation installations can be considered eligible expenditure in cases where an environmental analysis provides evidence that the investment concerned is sustainable and has no negative environmental impact.*

Amendment

3. In the case of irrigation, only investments *implemented within areas for which river basin management plans in the sense of Directive 2000/60/EC and relevant programmes of measures are in place and in conformity with their environmental objectives, shall be eligible expenditure. For investments resulting in the extension of the irrigated area an independent environmental analysis shall be also required.*

Or. en

Amendment 1705
Michel Dantin

Proposal for a regulation
Article 46 – paragraph 3

Text proposed by the Commission

3. In the case of irrigation, only investments that **lead to a reduction of previous water use by at least 25%** shall be considered *as eligible expenditure. By way of derogation, in the Member States that adhered to the Union from 2004 onwards investments in new irrigation installations can be considered eligible expenditure in cases where an environmental analysis provides evidence that the investment concerned is sustainable and has no negative environmental impact.*

Amendment

3. In the case of irrigation, only investments that **meet the following conditions** shall be considered eligible:

(a) A river basin management plan as required under the terms of Directive 2000/60/EC must have been notified to the Commission for the whole region in which the investment is made, and for other areas whose environment may be affected by the investment. The river basin management plan must be accompanied by a programme of measures with which the investments must be compatible.

(b) Water meters making it possible to measure the water consumption at the level of the investment supported must be in place or put in place as part of the investment.

(c) In the case of improvements made to existing irrigation installations, an investment shall be eligible only if:

(i) it leads to an increase of at least 20% in efficiency of water use;

(ii) where the investment affects bodies of water the status of which has been identified as less than good in the river management plan concerned for reasons linked to water quantity, it ensures a reduction of at least 20% in the consumption of water at individual farm level.

Investments in substitution reservoirs to permit the replacement of water drawn off

when levels are lowest shall be eligible without any special conditions.

(d) Investments linked to the extension of hydraulic networks shall be eligible only where:

(i) the water is for agricultural use; and

(ii) the investment does not affect bodies of water the status of which has been identified as less than good in the river management plan concerned for reasons linked to water quantity.

Or. fr

Amendment 1706

Eric Andrieu

Proposal for a regulation

Article 46 – paragraph 3

Text proposed by the Commission

3. In the case of irrigation, only investments *that lead to a reduction of previous water use by at least 25%* shall be considered *as eligible expenditure. By way of derogation, in the Member States that adhered to the Union from 2004 onwards investments in new irrigation installations can be considered eligible expenditure in cases where an environmental analysis provides evidence that the investment concerned is sustainable and has no negative environmental impact.*

Amendment

3. In the case of irrigation, only investments that *meet the following conditions* shall be considered eligible :

(a) A river basin management plan as required under the terms of Directive 2000/60/EC must have been notified to the Commission for the whole region in which the investment is made, and for other areas whose environment may be affected by the investment. The river basin management plan must be accompanied by a programme of measures with which the investments must be compatible.

(b) Water meters making it possible to measure the water consumption at the level of the investment supported must be in place or put in place as part of the investment.

(c) In the case of improvements made to existing irrigation installations, an investment shall be eligible only if:

(i) it leads to an increase of at least 25% in efficiency of water use;

(ii) where the investment affects bodies of water the status of which has been identified as less than good in the river management plan concerned for reasons linked to water quantity, it ensures a reduction of at least 20% in the consumption of water at individual farm level;

(iii) investments in substitution reservoirs to permit the replacement of water drawn off when levels are lowest are not affected by either of the requirements set out in points (i) or (ii).

(d) Investments linked to the extension of hydraulic networks shall be eligible only where:

(i) the water is for agricultural use;

(ii) the investment does not affect bodies of water the status of which has been identified as less than good in the river management plan concerned for reasons linked to water quantity; and

(iii) an independent environmental analysis shows that the investment will not have a significant adverse impact on the environment.

Or. fr

Amendment 1707

Alyn Smith

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Proposal for a regulation
Article 46 – paragraph 3

Text proposed by the Commission

3. In the case of irrigation, only investments that lead to a reduction of previous water use by at least 25% shall be considered as eligible expenditure. By way of derogation, in the Member States that adhered to the Union from 2004 onwards investments in new irrigation installations can be considered eligible expenditure in cases where an environmental analysis provides evidence that the investment concerned is sustainable and has no negative environmental impact.

Amendment

3. In the case of irrigation,

(a) for existing equipment and for the modernisation of storage and transport infrastructures, only investments that lead to a reduction of previous water use by at least 10% shall be considered as eligible expenditure; for the modernisation of equipment and parcel irrigation practices, only investments that lead to a reduction of previous water use by at least 25% shall be considered as eligible expenditure. By way of derogation, in the Member States that adhered to the Union from 2004 onwards investments in new irrigation installations can be considered eligible expenditure in cases where an environmental analysis provides evidence that the investment concerned is sustainable and has no negative environmental impact.

(b) investments in new irrigation installations may be considered as admissible expenditure where they form part of a territorial climate change adaptation strategy, i.e. one based solely on the choice of water-efficient systems and equipment.

Or. fr

Amendment 1708

Sergio Gutiérrez Prieto, Iratxe García Pérez, Ricardo Cortés Lastra, Alejandro Cercas

Proposal for a regulation

Article 46 – paragraph 3

Text proposed by the Commission

3. In the case of irrigation, **only investments that lead to a reduction of previous water use by at least 25%** shall be considered as eligible expenditure. **By way of derogation, in the Member States that adhered to the Union from 2004 onwards investments in new irrigation installations can be considered eligible expenditure in cases where an environmental analysis provides evidence that the investment concerned is sustainable and has no negative environmental impact.**

Amendment

3. In the case of irrigation, **infrastructure and installations** shall be **deemed** eligible expenditure **when the aim is as follows: greater efficiency in the use of water and energy in agriculture; greater security regarding supply of water to agricultural produce; investment in new areas of irrigated land under national interest plans or regional policy plans which contribute to rural development and territorial rebalancing. The Commission shall be empowered to adopt delegated acts, in accordance with Article 90, establishing minimum standards for water use efficiency and environmental performance of irrigation equipment.**

Or. es

Justification

Action to irrigate new areas and consolidate irrigated areas cannot be excluded from the EAFRD. Furthermore, it may be the case that water recycled from water treatment plants is used and, although this does not reduce consumption, it is environmentally beneficial. This should not be excluded from the EAFRD either. Nor can irrigation intended to improve energy efficiency be excluded.

Amendment 1709

Esther Herranz García, Gabriel Mato Adrover, Pilar Ayuso, María Auxiliadora Correa Zamora, Georgios Papastamkos

Proposal for a regulation

Article 46 – paragraph 3

Text proposed by the Commission

3. In the case of irrigation, **only**

Amendment

3. In the case of irrigation, **infrastructure**

investments that lead to a reduction of previous water use by at least 25% shall be considered as eligible expenditure. *By way of derogation, in the Member States that adhered to the Union from 2004 onwards investments in new irrigation installations can be considered eligible expenditure in cases where an environmental analysis provides* evidence that the investment concerned is sustainable and has no negative environmental impact.

and installations shall be *deemed* eligible expenditure *when the aim is as follows: greater efficiency in the use of water and energy in agriculture; greater security regarding supply of water to agricultural produce; investment in new areas of irrigated land under national interest plans or regional policy plans which contribute to rural development and territorial rebalancing. In all cases* evidence *must be provided* that the investment concerned is sustainable and has no negative environmental impact.

Or. es

Amendment 1710
Izaskun Bilbao Barandica

Proposal for a regulation
Article 46 – paragraph 3

Text proposed by the Commission

3. In the case of irrigation, *only investments that lead to a reduction of previous water use by at least 25%* shall be considered as eligible expenditure. *By way of derogation, in the Member States that adhered to the Union from 2004 onwards investments in new irrigation installations can be considered eligible expenditure in cases where an environmental analysis provides* evidence that the investment concerned is sustainable and has no negative environmental impact.

Amendment

3. In the case of irrigation, *infrastructure and installations* shall be *deemed* eligible expenditure *when the aim is as follows: greater efficiency in the use of water and energy in agriculture; greater security regarding supply of water to agricultural produce; investment in new areas of irrigated land under national interest plans or regional policy plans which contribute to rural development and territorial rebalancing. In all cases* evidence *must be provided* that the investment concerned is sustainable and has no negative environmental impact.

Or. es

Amendment 1711
Agustín Díaz de Mera García Consuegra

Proposal for a regulation
Article 46 – paragraph 3

Text proposed by the Commission

3. In the case of irrigation, **only investments that lead to a reduction of previous water use by at least 25%** shall be considered as eligible expenditure. **By way of derogation, in the Member States that adhered to the Union from 2004 onwards investments in new irrigation installations can be considered eligible expenditure in cases where an environmental analysis provides** evidence that the investment concerned is sustainable and has no negative environmental impact.

Amendment

3. In the case of irrigation, **infrastructure and installations** shall be **deemed** eligible expenditure **when the aim is as follows: greater efficiency in the use of water and energy in agriculture; greater security regarding supply of water to agricultural produce; investment in new areas of irrigated land under national interest plans or regional policy plans which contribute to rural development and territorial rebalancing. In all cases** evidence **must be provided** that the investment concerned is sustainable and has no negative environmental impact.

Or. es

Justification

Provision needs to be made for investment in new irrigated land, especially for the countries in southern Europe. In addition, we consider the figure of 25% in water savings to be very high.

Amendment 1712
Luís Paulo Alves

Proposal for a regulation
Article 46 – paragraph 3

Text proposed by the Commission

3. In the case of irrigation, only investments that lead to a reduction of previous water use by at least 25% shall be considered as eligible expenditure. By way of derogation, in the Member States that adhered to the Union from 2004 onwards investments in new irrigation installations can be considered eligible expenditure in cases where an

Amendment

3. Investment in new irrigation installations shall be eligible if the investment in question is shown to be sustainable and in accordance with the Water Framework Directive. Investment related to the modernisation of existing systems shall be eligible if it is proven to improve water use within the parameters laid down in the national efficient water

environmental analysis provides evidence that the investment concerned is sustainable and has no negative environmental impact.

use plans drawn up under the WFD.

Or. pt

Amendment 1713
Salvatore Caronna

Proposal for a regulation
Article 46 – paragraph 3

Text proposed by the Commission

3. In the case of irrigation, *only investments that lead to a reduction of previous water use by at least 25%* shall be considered as eligible expenditure. *By way of derogation, in the Member States that adhered to the Union from 2004 onwards investments in new irrigation installations can be considered eligible expenditure in cases where an environmental analysis provides evidence that the investment concerned is sustainable and has no negative environmental impact.*

Amendment

3. In the case of irrigation, *new investments, including measures to sustain farming and modernise existing systems for the improvement of water use efficiency*, shall be considered as eligible expenditure. *The Commission shall be empowered to adopt delegated acts, in accordance with Article 90, establishing minimum standards for water use efficiency and environmental performance of irrigation equipment.*

Or. it

Amendment 1714
Giovanni La Via, Sergio Paolo Francesco Silvestris

Proposal for a regulation
Article 46 – paragraph 3

Text proposed by the Commission

3. In the case of irrigation, *only investments that lead to a reduction of previous water use by at least 25%* shall be considered as eligible expenditure. *By way of derogation, in the Member States that adhered to the Union from 2004 onwards*

Amendment

3. In the case of irrigation, *new investments, including the modernisation of existing systems for the improvement of water use efficiency*, shall be considered as eligible expenditure. *Member States shall establish minimum requirements for*

investments in new irrigation installations can be considered eligible expenditure in cases where an environmental analysis provides evidence that the investment concerned is sustainable and has no negative environmental impact.

water use efficiency and environmental performance of irrigation equipment.

Or. it

Amendment 1715

Giancarlo Scottà, Carlo Fidanza, Vincenzo Iovine, Mara Bizzotto, Mario Borghezio, Lorenzo Fontana, Claudio Morganti, Fiorello Provera, Oreste Rossi, Matteo Salvini, Francesco Enrico Speroni, Lara Comi

Proposal for a regulation Article 46 – paragraph 3

Text proposed by the Commission

3. In the case of irrigation, *only investments that lead to a reduction of previous water use by at least 25%* shall be considered as eligible expenditure. *By way of derogation, in the Member States that adhered to the Union from 2004 onwards investments in new irrigation installations can be considered eligible expenditure in cases where an environmental analysis provides evidence that the investment concerned is sustainable and has no negative environmental impact.*

Amendment

3. In the case of irrigation, *new investments, including measures to sustain farming and crop systems and/or to modernise existing systems for the improvement of water use efficiency*, shall be considered as eligible expenditure.

Or. it

Amendment 1716

Csaba Sándor Tabajdi

Proposal for a regulation Article 46 – paragraph 3

Text proposed by the Commission

3. In the case of irrigation, *only investments that lead to a reduction of*

Amendment

3. In the case of irrigation, *new investments, including the modernisation*

previous water use **by at least 25%** shall be considered as eligible expenditure. By way of derogation, in the Member States that adhered to the Union from 2004 onwards investments in new irrigation installations can be considered eligible expenditure in cases where an environmental analysis provides evidence that the investment concerned is sustainable and has no negative environmental impact.

of *existing systems for the improvement of* water use **efficiency, and promotion of wastewater reuse** shall be considered as eligible expenditure. By way of derogation, in the Member States that adhered to the Union from 2004 onwards investments in new irrigation installations can be considered eligible expenditure in cases where an environmental analysis provides evidence that the investment concerned is sustainable and has no negative environmental impact.

Or. en

Amendment 1717

Czesław Adam Siekierski, Jarosław Kalinowski, Elżbieta Katarzyna Łukacijewska, Artur Zasada

Proposal for a regulation Article 46 – paragraph 3

Text proposed by the Commission

3. In the case of irrigation, **only** investments **that lead to a reduction of previous** water use **by at least 25%** shall be considered as eligible expenditure. By way of derogation, in the Member States that adhered to the Union from 2004 onwards investments in new irrigation installations can be considered eligible expenditure in cases where an environmental analysis provides evidence that the investment concerned is sustainable and has no negative environmental impact.

Amendment

3. In the case of irrigation, **new** investments, **including the modernisation of existing systems for the improvement of** water use **efficiency**, shall be considered as eligible expenditure. By way of derogation, in the Member States that adhered to the Union from 2004 onwards investments in new irrigation installations can be considered eligible expenditure in cases where an environmental analysis, **carried out if required by the law**, provides evidence that the investment concerned is sustainable and has no negative environmental impact.

Or. en

Justification

A consequence of the amendment 32

Amendment 1718
Ramon Tremosa i Balcells

Proposal for a regulation
Article 46 – paragraph 3

Text proposed by the Commission

3. In the case of irrigation, only investments that lead to a reduction of previous water use by at least 25% shall be considered as eligible expenditure. By way of derogation, in the Member States that adhered to the Union from 2004 onwards investments in new irrigation installations can be considered eligible expenditure in cases where an environmental analysis provides evidence that the investment concerned is sustainable and has no negative environmental impact.

Amendment

3. In the case of irrigation, only investments that lead to a reduction of previous water use by at least 25 % shall be considered as eligible expenditure, ***as well as investments in updating irrigation installations which have a positive effect on the environment.*** By way of derogation, in the Member States that adhered to the Union from 2004 onwards investments in new irrigation installations can be considered eligible expenditure in cases where an environmental analysis provides evidence that the investment concerned is sustainable and has no negative environmental impact.

Or. es

Amendment 1719
Salvador Sedó i Alabart, Ramon Tremosa i Balcells, Raimon Obiols, Maria Badia i Cutchet, Santiago Fisas Ayxela

Proposal for a regulation
Article 46 – paragraph 3

Text proposed by the Commission

3. In the case of irrigation, only investments that lead to a reduction of previous water use by at least 25% shall be considered as eligible expenditure. By way of derogation, in the Member States that adhered to the Union from 2004 onwards investments in new irrigation installations can be considered eligible expenditure ***in cases where*** an environmental analysis

Amendment

3. In the case of irrigation, only investments that lead to a reduction of previous water use by at least 25% shall be considered as eligible expenditure. By way of derogation, in the Member States that adhered to the Union from 2004 onwards ***and in Member States in the Mediterranean Basin*** investments in new irrigation installations can be considered

provides evidence that the investment concerned is sustainable and has no negative environmental impact.

eligible expenditure. ***The infrastructure shall undergo*** an environmental analysis ***to provide*** evidence that the investment concerned is sustainable and has no negative environmental impact.

Or. es

Justification

All Member States should be able to access investment in new irrigation installations when an environmental analysis provides evidence that the investment is sustainable and has no negative environmental impact. This measure should not just apply to those Member States that have joined the European Union since 2004, but to all Member States in the Union. Investment in updating irrigation systems should continue to receive funding without it being necessary to justify this by a saving in water use of at least 25%. For infrastructure, asking that the investment does not have any negative environmental impact should suffice.

Amendment 1720

Maria do Céu Patrão Neves

Proposal for a regulation

Article 46 – paragraph 3 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

3a. Investment in new irrigation installations shall be eligible if the investment in question is shown to be sustainable and in accordance with the Water Framework Directive. Investment related to the modernisation of existing systems shall be eligible if it is proven to improve water use within the parameters laid down in the national efficient water use plans drawn up under the Water Framework Directive (WFD).

Or. pt

Amendment 1721

Giovanni La Via, Sergio Paolo Francesco Silvestris, Paolo Bartolozzi, Carlo Fidanza

Proposal for a regulation
Article 46 – paragraph 4

Text proposed by the Commission

4. In the case of agricultural investments, the purchase of agricultural production rights, payment entitlements, animals, annual plants and their planting shall not be eligible for investment support. However, in case of restoration of agricultural production potential damaged by natural disasters in accordance with Article 19(1)(b), expenditure for the purchase of animals may be eligible expenditure.

Amendment

4. In the case of agricultural investments, the purchase of agricultural production rights, payment entitlements, animals, annual plants and their planting shall not be eligible for investment support. However, in case of restoration of agricultural production potential damaged by natural disasters **and adverse climatic events** in accordance with Article 19(1)(b), expenditure for the purchase of animals may be eligible expenditure.

Or. it

Amendment 1722

Czesław Adam Siekierski, Jarosław Kalinowski, Elżbieta Katarzyna Łukacijewska, Artur Zasada

Proposal for a regulation
Article 46 – paragraph 5

Text proposed by the Commission

5. Beneficiaries of investment related support may request the payment of an advance of up to 50% of the public aid related to the investment from the competent paying agencies if that option is included in the rural development programme.

Amendment

deleted

Or. en

Justification

We think that limiting advance payments only in the case of realisation of investments is not justified. Therefore, we suggest to delete the paragraph 5 and to add in art. 70 ruled stating that advance payments are paid due to realisation of all operations accepted in the framework of the RDP.

Amendment 1723
Elisabeth Jeggle, Marit Paulsen

Proposal for a regulation
Article 46 – paragraph 6

Text proposed by the Commission

6. The Commission shall be empowered to adopt delegated acts in accordance with Article 90 concerning the conditions under which other costs connected with leasing contracts, second hand equipment and simple replacement investments may be considered as eligible expenditure.

Amendment

6. The Commission shall be empowered to adopt delegated acts in accordance with Article 90 concerning the conditions under which other costs connected with leasing contracts, second hand equipment and simple replacement investments may be considered as eligible expenditure, ***and also concerning the conditions that must be met in relation to minimum standards for improving the efficiency of irrigation systems in order for new investments in existing systems or in their extension to be eligible.***

Or. de

Amendment 1724
Britta Reimers

Proposal for a regulation
Article 46 – paragraph 6

Text proposed by the Commission

6. The Commission shall be empowered to adopt delegated acts in accordance with Article 90 concerning the conditions under which other costs connected with leasing contracts, second hand equipment and simple replacement investments may be considered as eligible expenditure.

Amendment

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Justification

There should be no discrimination between old and new Member States but a framework, ensuring that irrigation investments do not have a negative impact on water resources, should be provided for all Member States. This framework should be more demanding where investments extend irrigated areas to take account of the increased risk. The Commission should be empowered to define minimum standards to be respected within this framework.

Amendment 1725
Marian-Jean Marinescu

Proposal for a regulation
Article 46 – paragraph 6

Text proposed by the Commission

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Justification

There should be no discrimination between old and new Member States but a framework ensuring that irrigation investments do not have a negative impact on water resources, should be provided for all Member States. This framework should be more demanding where investments extend irrigated areas to take into account of the increased risk. The Commission should be empowered to define minimum standards to be respected within this framework

Amendment 1726
Sergio Gutiérrez Prieto, Iratxe García Pérez, Ricardo Cortés Lastra, Alejandro Cercas

Proposal for a regulation
Article 49 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

1. The Managing Authority of the rural development programme shall define selection criteria for operations under all measures following consultation with the Monitoring Committee. Selection criteria shall aim to ensure **equal treatment of applicants**, better use of financial resources and targeting of measures in accordance with the Union priorities for rural development. In defining selection criteria the principle of proportionality shall be taken into account in relation to small grants.

Amendment

1. The Managing Authority of the rural development programme shall define selection criteria for operations under all measures following consultation with the Monitoring Committee. Selection criteria shall aim to ensure **that the measures targeting agricultural holdings are solely applied to ‘active farmers’ as defined in Regulation (EU) No [...] [DP]. Moreover these criteria shall aim to ensure a** better use of financial resources and targeting of measures in accordance with the Union priorities for rural development. In defining selection criteria the principle of proportionality shall be taken into account in relation to small grants.

Or. es

Justification

Support through measures targeting agricultural holdings should only benefit ‘active farmers’ as defined by the proposed regulation on CAP direct payments. If this distinction is made in the first pillar, it must also be made in the second pillar.

Amendment 1727
Marc Tarabella

Proposal for a regulation
Article 49 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

1. The Managing Authority of the rural development programme **shall** define selection criteria for operations under all measures following consultation with the Monitoring Committee. Selection criteria shall aim to ensure equal treatment of applicants, better use of financial resources and targeting of measures in accordance

Amendment

1. The Managing Authority of the rural development programme **may** define **a range of** selection criteria for operations under all measures following consultation with the Monitoring Committee. Selection criteria shall aim to ensure equal treatment of applicants, better use of financial resources and targeting of measures in

with the Union priorities for rural development. In defining selection criteria the principle of proportionality shall be taken into account in relation to small grants.

accordance with the Union priorities for rural development. In defining selection criteria the principle of proportionality shall be taken into account in relation to small grants.

Or. fr

Amendment 1728
Elisabeth Jeggle

Proposal for a regulation
Article 49 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

1. The Managing Authority of the rural development programme shall define selection criteria for operations under all measures following consultation with the Monitoring Committee. Selection criteria shall aim to ensure equal treatment of applicants, better use of financial resources and targeting of measures in accordance with the Union priorities for rural development. In defining selection criteria the principle of proportionality shall be taken into account ***in relation to small grants***.

Amendment

1. The Managing Authority of the rural development programme shall define selection criteria for operations under all measures following consultation with the Monitoring Committee. Selection criteria shall aim to ensure equal treatment of applicants, better use of financial resources and targeting of measures in accordance with the Union priorities for rural development. In defining ***and applying*** selection criteria the principle of proportionality shall be taken into account.

Or. de

Amendment 1729

Giancarlo Scottà, Carlo Fianza, Vincenzo Iovine, Mara Bizzotto, Mario Borghezio, Lorenzo Fontana, Claudio Morganti, Fiorello Provera, Oreste Rossi, Matteo Salvini, Francesco Enrico Speroni, Lara Comi

Proposal for a regulation
Article 50 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

For the purposes of this Regulation ***the Managing Authority shall define "rural***

Amendment

For the purposes of this Regulation ***"rural area" shall be defined at Member State***

area" at programme level.

level.

Or. it

Amendment 1730

Karin Kadenbach

Proposal for a regulation

Article 50 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

For the purposes of this Regulation the **Managing Authority** shall define "rural area" at programme level.

Amendment

For the purposes of this Regulation the **Member States** shall define "rural area" at programme level.

Or. de

Amendment 1731

Hynek Fajmon

Proposal for a regulation

Article 50 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

For the purposes of this Regulation the Managing Authority shall define 'rural area' *at programme* level.

Amendment

For the purposes of this Regulation the Managing Authority shall define 'rural area' level *in its rural development programme*.

Or. en

Amendment 1732

Peter Jahr

Proposal for a regulation

Article 50 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

For the purposes of this Regulation the

Amendment

For the purposes of this Regulation the

Managing Authority shall define "rural area" at programme level.

Managing Authority shall define "rural area" at programme level. *It may also designate various specific areas within a given measure where there is objective justification for so doing.*

Or. de

Amendment 1733

Elisabeth Köstinger, Herbert Dorfmann, Elisabeth Jeggle, Milan Zver, Albert Deß, Astrid Lulling

**Proposal for a regulation
Article 51 – paragraph 2**

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

2. A sum of EUR 30 million shall be withdrawn from the allocation referred to in paragraph 1 and used to finance the prize for innovative, local cooperation referred to in Article 56.

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Or. de