Question for written answer E-001592/2014 to the Commission Rule 117 Peter Jahr (PPE)

Subject: Legal conditions applying to the purchase of agricultural and forestry land in Member

States

Which Member States have specific laws governing the agricultural and forestry land market and hence the sale and leasing of agricultural and forestry land?

Under what specific arrangements in the agricultural land law in force in Member States (or parts thereof) are restrictions imposed on non-farmers or non-residents as regards the purchase of land? Under what legal conditions may agricultural and forestry land be purchased and leased, and under what conditions are such transactions prohibited?

In cases where there are restrictions, how are the terms 'farmer' and 'residence' defined or regulated in the land laws concerned?

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