

**Question for written answer E-001328/2023
to the Commission**

Rule 138

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Subject: Proposal for a regulation on the sustainable use of plant protection products

Concern has been expressed in Germany about the potentially detrimental effects of this regulation on farmers and their livelihoods.

1. How will the new proposals impact the availability and cost of plant protection products for farmers in Germany, including provision of support and resources that will be made available to help transition to more sustainable practices?
2. How will the new proposals address the challenges facing small and medium-sized farmers who may have limited resources and access to alternative pest control methods?
3. How will the proposed ban on all pesticides in sensitive areas affect the management of pests and disease in crops that are grown near or adjacent to these areas?

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