SHERPA - Rural Science-Society-Policy Interfaces



Recent policy developments related to our work on the vision

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SHERPA MAP Cluster Meeting

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- Corona Virus emergency response
- **EU Green deal & future CAP SP**
- EU Green deal & Farm to Fork strategy
- EU Green deal & Biodiversity strategy
 - Long-term vision for rural areas



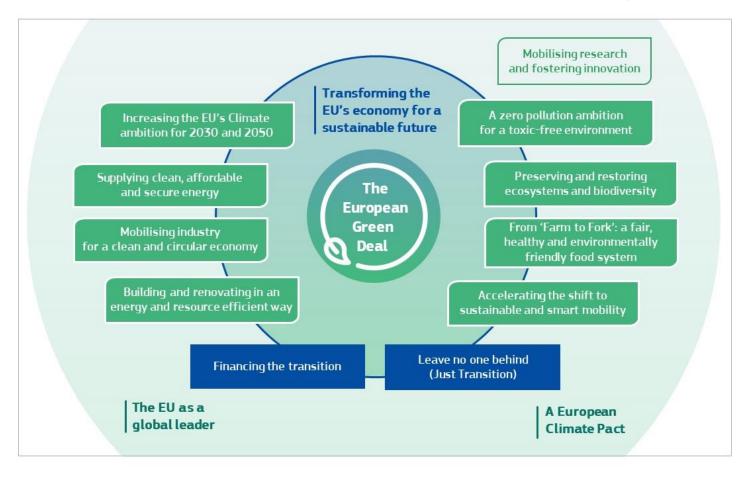
Corona virus: emergency response

- New RD measure | To cope with liquidity problems of farmers and SMEs processing agricultural products
- Flexibility in the use of financial instruments under rural development
- Higher advances of payments
- Higher state aid possible for farmers and food processing companies
- CAP flexibility:
 - Extension of deadline for CAP payment applications
 - Fewer farm on-the-spot checks
 - MS can review their decisions of transfer between 1st and 2nd pillar



EU Green deal | overarching policy framework for the EU

Sets out how to make Europe the first climate-neutral continent by 2050





EU Green deal | future CAP Strategic Plans

40% of the CAP budget will be climate-relevant

Factsheet: How the future CAP will contribute to the EU Green Deal





Enhanced conditionality

Conditionality links EU-funded income support to environment- and climate-friendly farming practices and standards.



Eco-schemes

Eco-schemes will unlock new funding and additional incentives for climate- and environment-friendly farming practices.



Agri-environment-climate measures and investments

EU rural development support will aim to enhance ecosystems, promote resource efficiency, and help us move towards a lowcarbon, climate-resilient economy.



Farm Advisory Service

The farm advisory system will draw on a fuller range of economic and environmental data to deliver up-to-date technological and scientific information to advise farmers.

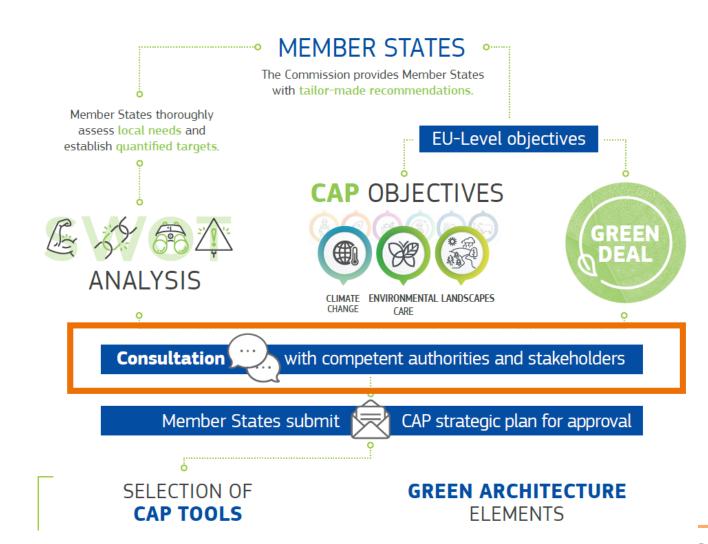


EU Green deal | and future CAP

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EU Green deal | Farm to Fork Strategy (F2F)



For a fair, healthy and environmentally-friendly food system

- Ensuring sustainable food production;
- Ensuring food security;
- Stimulating sustainable food processing, wholesale, retail, hospitality and food services practices;
- Promoting sustainable food consumption and facilitating the shift to healthy, sustainable diets;
- Reducing food loss and waste;
- Combating food fraud along the food supply chain.



EU Green deal | Farm to Fork Strategy (F2F)



The use of pesticides in agriculture contributes to pollution of soil, water and air. The Commission will take actions to:

- √ reduce by 50% the use and risk of chemical pesticides by 2030.
- reduce by 50% the use of more hazardous pesticides by 2030.



The **excess of nutrients** in the environment is a major source of air, soil and water pollution, negatively impacting biodiversity and climate. The Commission will act to:

- √ reduce nutrient losses by at least 50%, while ensuring no deterioration on soil fertility.
- ✓ reduce fertilizer use by at least 20% by 2030.



Antimicrobial resistance linked to the use of antimicrobials in animal and human health leads to an estimated 33,000 human deaths in the EU each year. The Commission will reduce by 50% the sales of antimicrobials for farmed animals and in aquaculture by 2030.



Organic farming is an environmentally-friendly practice that needs to be further developed. The Commission will boost the development of EU organic farming area with the aim to achieve 25% of total farmland under organic farming by 2030.



EU Green deal | Biodiversity Strategy for 2030



- Establishment of protected areas
- Restoration of degraded ecosystems at land and sea
- Nutrient losses reduced by at least 50% by 2030
- 20 billion EUR/year for biodiversity (EU, national + private Funds)
- EU in a leading position in the world in addressing the global biodiversity crisis

Communication: https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?qid=1590574123338&uri=CELEX:52020DC0380

Factsheet: https://ec.europa.eu/commission/presscorner/detail/en/fs 20 906



Long-term vision for rural areas

- To develop a broadly shared vision and keep rural areas high in the political agenda. Involved DG AGRI, DG REGIO and Vice President Suica
- In close consultation with people living in rural areas, local and regional authorities.
- Should address demography but should also go beyond and embrace all aspects relevant for rural areas



Long-term vision for rural areas

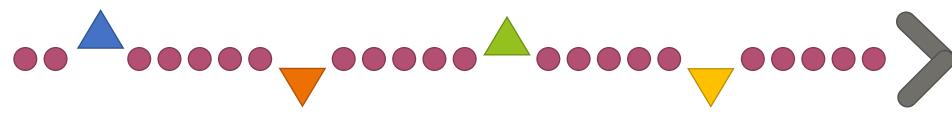
Indicative timing

Sept 2020

Launch of public consultation

Feb-Mar 2021

Stakeholder Conference



Dec - 2020

SHERPA Conference

1st Half 2021

Communication on the Longterm vision for rural areas



State of play CAP reform proposals

- Informal communication with MS on SWOT elements and CAP Plan preparation are ongoing since last summer
- 2 capacity building events for MS organized
- Evaluation helpdesk report on the <u>ex-ante</u> evaluation of CAP Plans
- Ongoing analysis of informally received draft SWOT/parts of SWOT
- Some MS are already informally discussing possible interventions at different forums (with DG AGRI Geo Hubs, stakeholders – see ENRD on <u>Smart Villages</u>)



The time to engage in the programming process is now



State of play CAP reform proposals

- Council position adopted, 1 year transition
- European Parliament, clear preference for 2 years transition(in particular if MFF/CAP proposal not approved by Oct/2020
- 3-4 trilogies expected in 2020 (first trilogue happened on 20/05)
- Objective is to reach an agreement by end of June (could cover only technical elements in case of no decision on MFF)

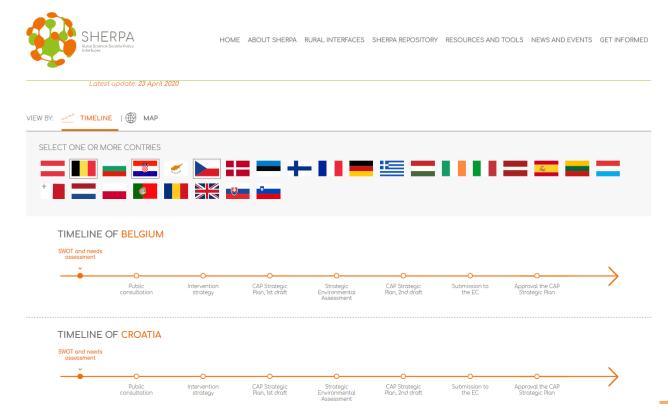


Timeline of EU programming

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https://rural-interfaces.eu/resources-and-tools/timeline-for-eu-programming/







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Send us the relevant webpages where to find the key programming documents (guidance, SWOT, minutes of consultations, draft interventions logics, etc)

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