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No future without a past

- 1. Compliance is a key issue**
- 2. Negative DAS on agriculture**
- 3. High error rate in rural development**



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non compliance affects public support

- 1. Bad for image of the CAP**
- 2. A threat for future financing**
- 3. In periods of scares financial resources problematic areas are the first to be challenged when discussing future public support**



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How to tackle non compliance ?

- 1. Clarity**
- 2. Verifiability**
- 3. Simplicity**
- 4. UPFRONT**



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Court special reports

- 1. Greening the CAP**
- 2. Less-favoured areas**
- 3. Forestry**
- 4. Agri environment**
- 5. Investments**
- 6. Cross compliance**



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Tolerable error

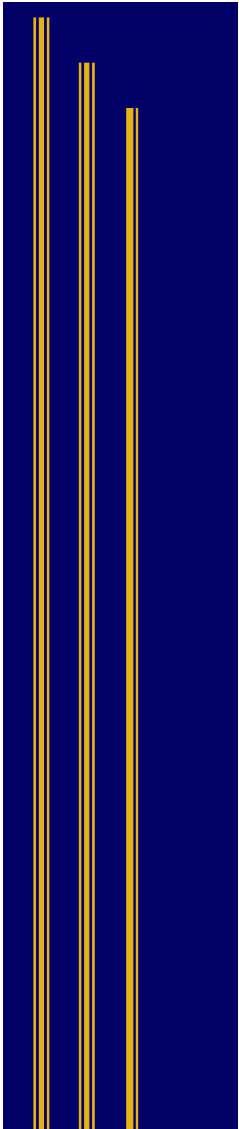
1. What is tolerable?
2. Transparency/Trust
3. Accountability



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The future

- 1. If Society is to be charged for the delivery of social goods they will be conditional.**
- 2. Conditions have to be complied with! If not, they have to be sanctioned.**
- 3. Thus clear ,verifiable, simple!.**
- 4. The tax payer will keep us accountable.**



Thank you!