Modernising and Simplifying the Common Agricultural Policy

Workshop on Food-related issues

Introduction

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Commission Work Programme 2017

The Commission will take forward work and consult widely on simplification and modernisation of the Common Agricultural Policy to maximise its contribution to the Commission's ten priorities and to the Sustainable Development Goals.

This will focus on specific policy priorities for the future, taking account of the opinion of the REFIT Platform, and without prejudice to the Commission proposal to revise the Multiannual Financial Framework.
Complexity of the final legislation left all parties involved unsatisfied with the final result

=> CAP simplification

Rapid changes in the broader environment surrounding EU agriculture – from markets and trade to climate change and environmental challenges

=> CAP modernisation
Addressing future challenges of EU's agriculture...

- **Economic**: Foster a smart and resilient agricultural sector
- **Environmental**: Enhance environmental sustainability and climate-resilience
- **Social**: Strengthen the socio-economic fabric of rural areas (including generational renewal)
Contribution to EU priorities and SDGs, Policy Coherence

Subsidiarity / EU added value

Budget focused on results

Simplification

...in a new policy context...

Cross-cutting challenges
The process

Opinions

Challenges  Objectives  Policy options and assessment

Evidence
Open Consultation

Questionnaire and Inception Impact Assessment (IIA)

IIA (was open for feedback until 28/03)

Questionnaire (was open until 02/05)

Outcomes: Conference, Brussels, 07/07

https://ec.europa.eu/agriculture/consultations/cap-modernising/2017_en
General statistics on the questionnaire

33 questions (of which 5 open)

Total of 322 912 online respondents

1417 position papers

Basic information to be represented by:
- Member State
- Type of respondent
- Individual replies (farming/non farming)
- Organisations (type and sector)
- Campaigns
Workshops for evidence gathering

**Aim**

Gather evidence/knowledge from experts on CAP related issues

Presentations by experts, exchanges and discussion,

Take up/conclusions for modernising & simplifying CAP

**Participants/working arrangements**

Experts *ad personam* from academia, national/ regional/international organisations, stakeholders Commission services (Inter-Service Group)

Chatham House

Rapporteur/Report
4 Workshops

Topics
1. Best Environmental & Climate Practices
2. Risk Management
3. Food-related issues
4. Socio-economic issues

Dates
between Mid-March and Early June

Outcomes
Will be presented by Rapporteurs at the Conference on 7 July 2017