



**Pesticide
Action
Network**
Europe

*An NGO's
Perspective*

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PAN Europe



- Established 1987 as one of the 5 PAN International regional centres
- Brings together 38 consumer, public health, and environmental organisations, trades unions, women's groups and farmer associations from across Europe
- Small dedicated team with passion and expertise
- PAN Europe's vision is of a world in which hazardous pesticides are replaced by ecologically sound alternatives

David Cary



- Agricultural Entomologist
- Focus on sustainable IPM systems with pesticide reduction strategies
- 10 years as head of Biocontrol industry association in Brussels
- Engagement with FAO / OECD / EU COM
- History of fostering co-operation with farmers, researchers, sustainable industry and NGOs
- Elected to the board of PAN Europe

3 things needed from the SUD from an NGO's perspective



A clear
ambitious
vision is needed



How we focus
the judgement
of success



How we
organise the
activities

The vision of the SUD from an NGO's perspective

- The end goal has to be to ensure pesticide use is unnecessary and not practised
- It has to be aligned with Farm to Fork and EU Green Deal
- SUD needs integration & updating with relevant EU policies
- Enforcement of MS infringements needs to happen
- We support the ECI call as below and are not alone in having this ambition



Phase out synthetic pesticides in EU agriculture by 80% by 2030, starting with the most hazardous, to become 100% synthetic pesticide free by 2035.

The judgement of success - SUD Indicators



- Indicators of reduced use of pesticides must include all chemical PPPs used and should be penalising the use of Candidates for Substitution not allowing their use to be undetected & unrecorded
- Indicators must encourage, reward, and record the implementation and use of alternative systems and tools at all levels of the IPM pyramid
- Indicators should move downward & encourage the use of robust tools at the base of the IPM pyramid

The judgement of success - Data ownership



- All data is needed to be under farmer or public ownership
- All data is to be available to enable implementation of better decision making and to set and monitor indicators
- Barriers to implementation of alternative systems and tools should be eliminated

The judgement of success – impact assessments



- Impact assessments must look at the long term system being implemented not the transitional modifications
- Impact assessments must include all external costs and benefits and not be limited to simplified convenient production approaches
- Where effective studies exist in a limited number of Member States only, this should result in encouragement and use of this data, not rejection of their use in impact assessments
- Greenhouse horticulture and it's evolution to the holistic IPM model serves as a fine example

The organisation of activities – Sector specific approach, commitment and undue influence



- Undue influence from invested interests of undesirable practice should be avoided as it can dominate discussions, slow momentum for change and put pressure on those stakeholders willing and able to adopt new practices
- There has been ample time for change, it is now standard in some sectors and the time is now to ensure implementation occurs in other sectors
- All parties with a viable part to play in a systems based agriculture should be encouraged to participate without disproportionate barriers to their activities nor suffer the barriers to entry for chemical PPPs being phased out
- Stakeholders should be transparent with their goals

The organisation of activities – sector specific approach



- Different sectors are at different stages in the sustainable IPM journey
- There is a need to focus on activities lower down the IPM pyramid
- All sectors need activities but the needs differ as the sector advances in it's approach to adopting robust best practice
- Examples of different needs for greenhouse, orchard, vineyard and arable sectors



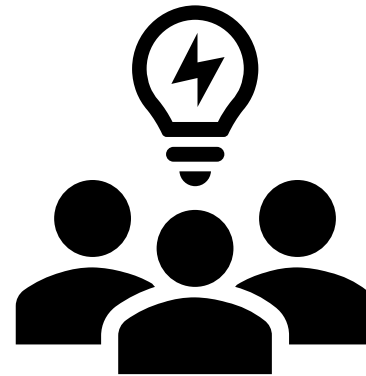
The 3 things identified need all our co-operative activity across all stakeholders



THE VISION
IDENTIFIED &
AGREED



THE JUDGEMENT
OF SUCCESS AND
IT'S TOOLS



THE
ORGANISATION OF
ACTIVITIES





Thank you!

*Lets work together towards a healthy future and give
the SUD the teeth it was meant to grow!*

David Cary, Board Member PAN Europe

