

## SLOVAKIA

### Entry of skilled/younger farmers

**Location**  
Svidník

**Programming period**  
2014 – 2020

**Priority**  
P2- Competitiveness

**Measure**  
M06 – Farm & business  
development

**Funding**  
Total budget 50 000 (EUR)  
EAFRD 37 500 (EUR)  
National/Regional 12 500  
(EUR)

**Project duration**  
2017 to 2021

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CAP funds support generation renewal in rural Slovakia.

### Summary

CAP funds assisted a young rural entrepreneur's business start-up project with results helping to safeguard food security and boost rural revitalisation.



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### Project Results

One new job was created on a family farm which has acted as role model of good practice in agri-business techniques.

### Lessons & Recommendations

- Generational renewal support from CAP can create a multitude of direct and indirect benefits for rural economies and rural communities.

## Context

Vladislav Paľurik is a young farmer and his family farm is well-known in Slovakian agricultural circles for the quality of its Limousine cattle husbandry. His father was nominated for an Agri-manager of the Year award and serves as Chairman of the Board of directors of the Association of Cattle Breeders for meat production in Slovakia. After finishing his studies at the Slovak University of Agriculture in Nitra, Vladislav applied for CAP support to establish his own Limousine herd.

In order to ensure the profitability of cattle breeding for meat, a breeder should aim to rear at least 95 calves per 100 cows in the basic herd at an interval of about 365 days. Vladislav applied for RDP support to enable him to reach this target.

## Objectives

Vladislav's project aim, as a new entrant to agri-business, was to launch his career as a professional breeder of Limousine cattle for meat production. This would help secure his employment in a rural area where job opportunities were limited and unemployment rates high.

## Activities

CAP funds were used to purchase 40 animals including heifers, cows, and calves of different ages between December 2017 and January 2021.

## Main results

The result of this CAP support for a young farmer created a full-time employment position with potential for business growth. It also demonstrated how CAP can support the entrepreneurial spirit of young people in rural areas and thus results directly tackled depopulation pressures.

## Key lessons

The CAP funds contributed to generation renewal in a family farm with a strong institutional memory of good practice agri-business techniques and therefore helped to safeguard the availability of role models who can inspire other new entrants into agriculture. This helps to protect the long-term security of food supplies and the overall resilience of rural communities.

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### Additional sources of information

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