ENRD Thematic Group 'Carbon Farming'

Group 2
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Q1: What is going on in different Member States?

Carbon Farming: a priority for the FR Presidency of the EU

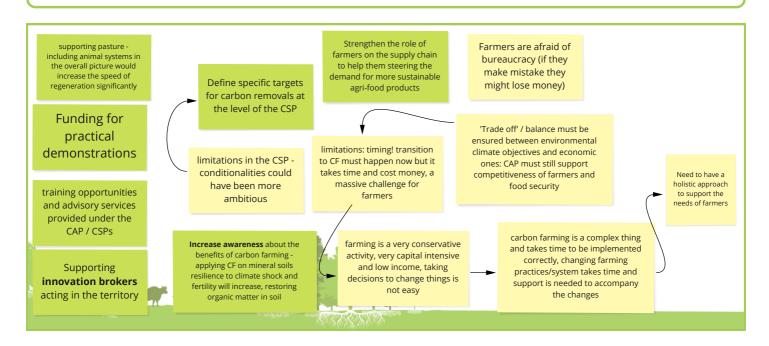
FR: supporting carbon removals by supporting **permanent grasslands**

FR: increasing production of legumes, providing support through eco-schemes topping basic income support FR: **low carbon label** adding value to production

Some MS have much less sink potential than others and therefore current stocks or avoiding emissions rather than increasing removals single interventions in the CAP/CSP are not indicative about reduction of GHG emissions (increasing legumes production) the focus should be on the overall production system not the single practice

Slovenia: **livestock sector** very important, removal aspect is limited, there is support through eco-schemes, N2K, but further support should be provided to reduce livestock per ha

Q2: What are the opportunities or limitations to upscale carbon farming?



Q3: What should be the priority for implementing CAP interventions to support this upscaling?

Education - for farmers, authorities, consumers and all community, to support farmers transitioning to CF practices

Increase share of funding for ecoschemes

second pillar interventions

such as Agri-entvronmentalclimate interventions including cooperation, are essential

Bigger focus on reducing pesticides/fertilizers and supporting farmers reducing their dependency on chemical inputs

improve quantitative targets, monitoring indicators and quantification of results

> increase demonstration activities

support capacity building at all level, of authorities and farmers to correctly implement CF and correctly monitor it

Costs associated with Carbon Farming need to be spread along the value chain and not solely left to farms (e.g. support from retailers)