

# The CAP after 2020

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## CAP strategic plans and the “new green architecture”

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# CAP plan template – as easy as a Sunday drive...?

## 8 chapters + annexes:

**1.**  
Strategic  
Statement

**2.**  
Assessment  
of needs  
and  
intervention  
strategy

**3.**  
Consistency  
of the  
strategy

**4.**  
Elements  
common to  
several  
interventions

**5.**  
Description  
of the  
interventions

**6.**  
Targets and  
financial  
plans

**7.**  
Governance  
systems and  
coordination  
systems

**8.**  
Modernisation  
and  
simplification

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- Includes summary of the SWOT analysis



**How should we do it? Like this?**

**“Keep the rule, and  
the rule will keep you” (...??)**

*(dictum of certain religious communities)*



Or more like this?

**“No one starts a war – or rather, no one in his senses ought to do so – without first being clear in his mind what he intends to achieve by that war”**

*(Carl von Clausewitz)*



# Rules and objectives: current situation (1)

- **Current CAP general objective on the environment and climate:**
  - *Sustainable management of natural resources and climate action – with a focus on greenhouse gas emissions, biodiversity, soil and water*
- “Greening” payments, cross-compliance, rural development support and market programmes all have **different relationships** to this objective in terms of:
  - their own “objectives” (in whatever form these exist);
  - relationship between objectives, rules and MS’ choices
  - how the Commission assesses MS’ choices



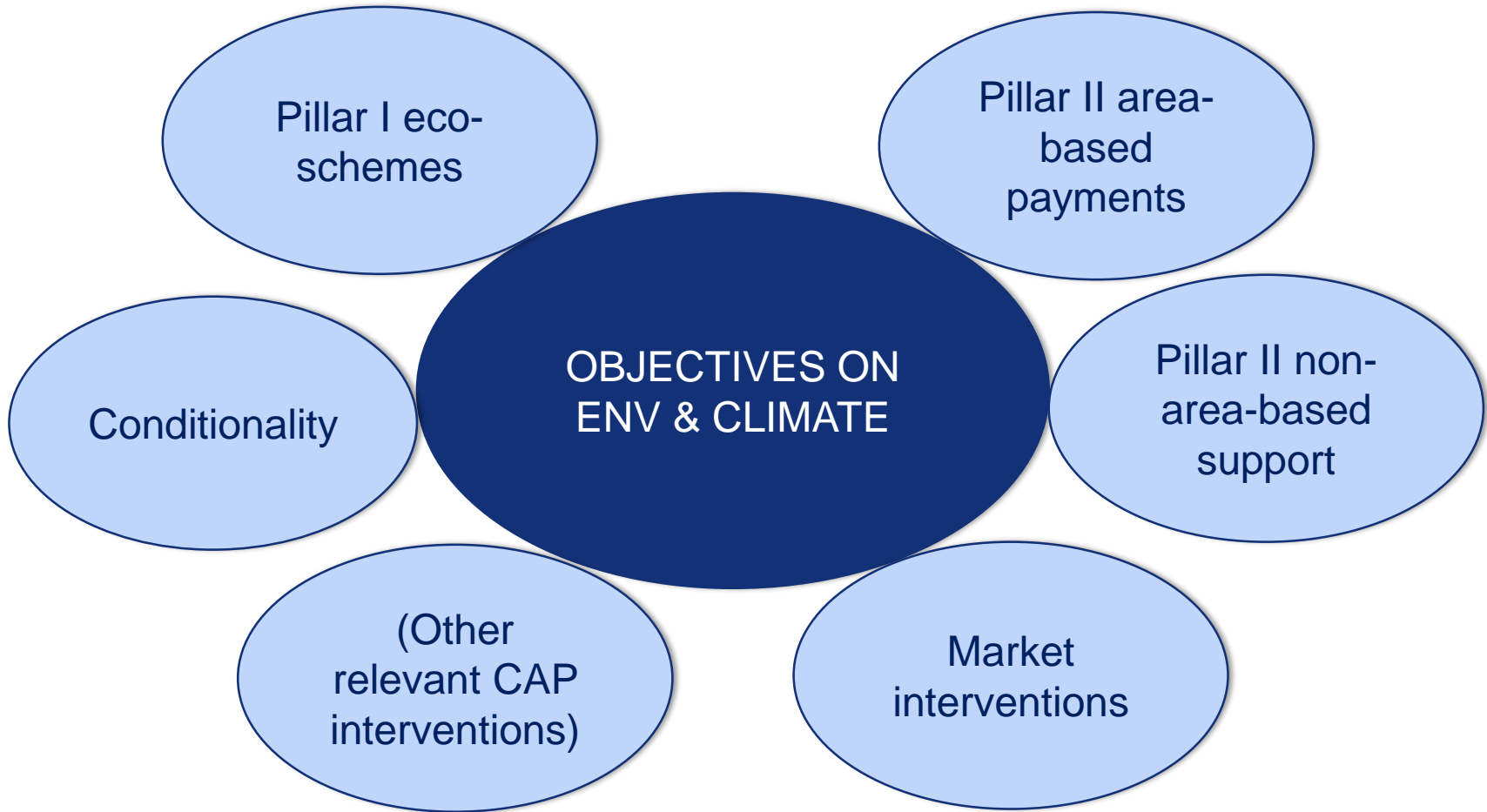
# Rules and objectives: current situation (2) – excluding market programmes

	“Greening”	GAEC standards	RD support
<b>Does CAP element have own “objectives”?</b>	Yes: broad (in regulation recitals)	Yes: broad “issues” (in reg. annex) – e.g. “water”	Yes: more detailed, to level of “focus areas” (in regulation legal text)
<b>Nature of key EU rules on related “content”</b>	Rules on practices (precise, detailed)	Description of GAEC standards (broad)	Rules on RD measures (some detailed, some not)
<b>MS decide...</b>	...which “options” to use within EU rules	...details of GAEC content, application	... full “programmes” (SWOT, needs, targets, measures, financing etc.)
<b>Commission checks (formally):</b>	Rules respected?	Rules respected?	Rules respected? <b><i>Programmes likely to meet objectives?</i></b> (approval procedure)



# The future is coming....

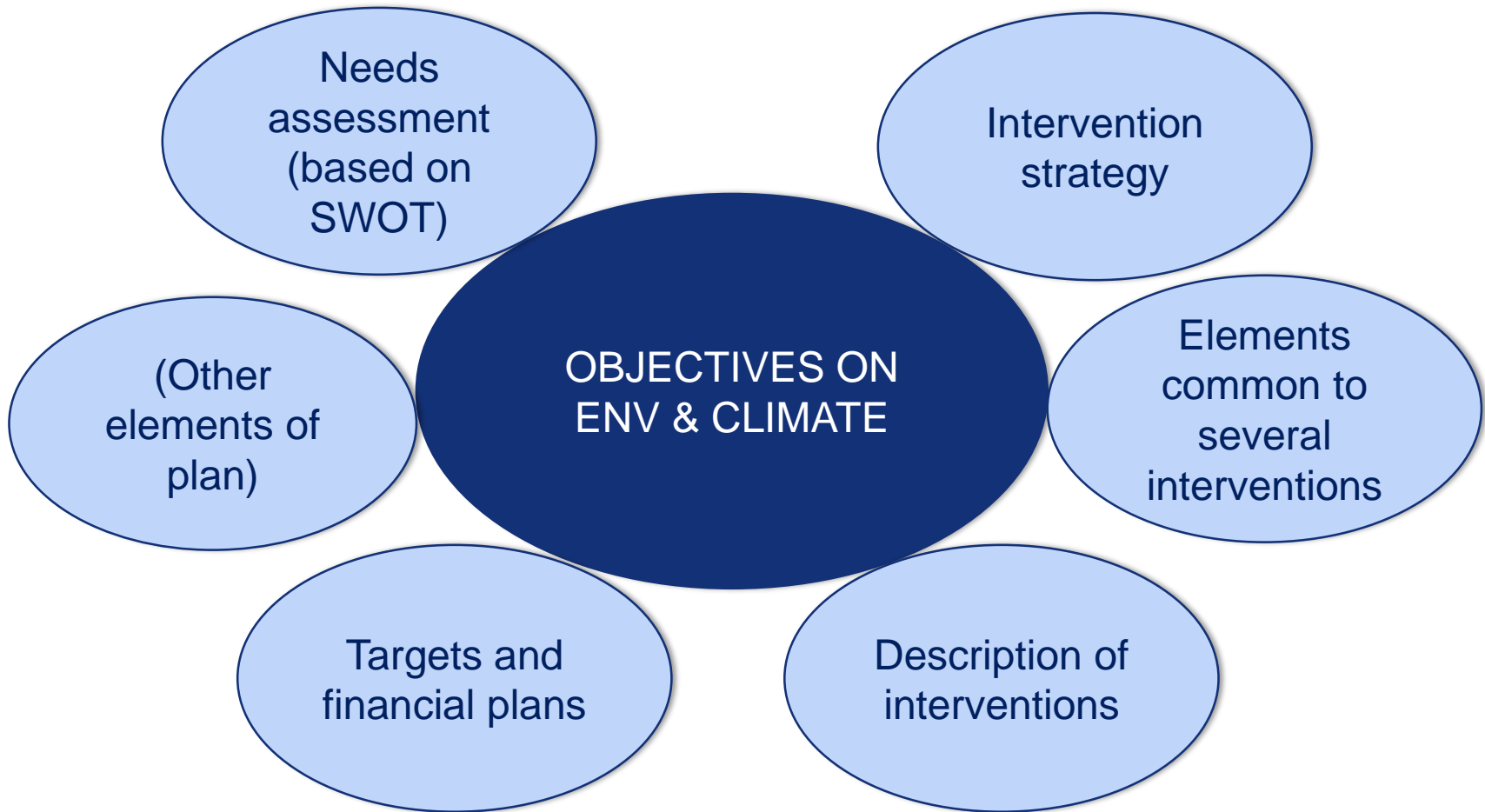
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More broadly...

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## In other words:

- In future, the promised greater focus on (unified) objectives must be **REAL**
- **The Commission will apply this principle** when assessing CAP plans – avoiding “fragmented” analysis as far as possible
- This means that:
  - the **SWOT analyses** and **needs assessments** must be good – to interpret CAP objectives in light of MS’ circumstances
  - other elements in the plan must clearly **build on this foundation, working together**



## Key rhetorical questions to ask when drawing up CAP plans

- Is the information being offered in each section **clear** (and accurate)?
- Does it form a **logical, coherent whole** with the rest of the CAP plan?
- Does it cover **everything which it needs to cover?**
- Overall, will a reader be able to see that this CAP plan is probably an **effective and efficient response to the CAP's objectives?**



**“Peter tends to set himself very low objectives – which he then fails to achieve”**

*(comment from a teacher on the childhood achievements of a comedian)*

