



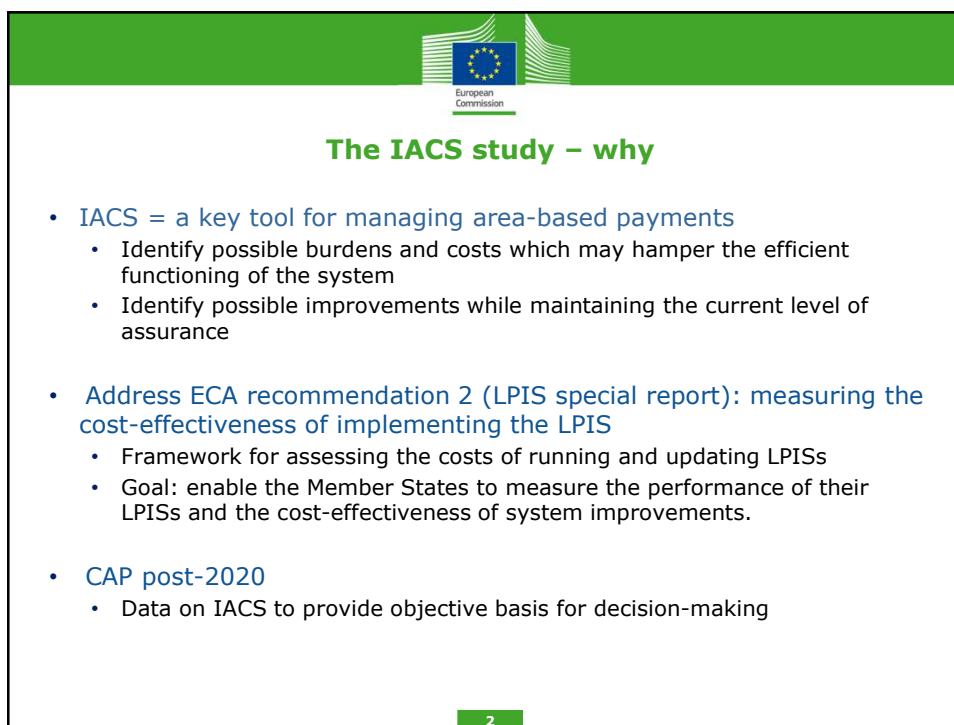
**The IACS study:
an analysis of
administrative burden
arising from the CAP**

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The IACS study – why

- **IACS = a key tool for managing area-based payments**
 - Identify possible burdens and costs which may hamper the efficient functioning of the system
 - Identify possible improvements while maintaining the current level of assurance
- **Address ECA recommendation 2 (LPIS special report): measuring the cost-effectiveness of implementing the LPIS**
 - Framework for assessing the costs of running and updating LPISs
 - Goal: enable the Member States to measure the performance of their LPISs and the cost-effectiveness of system improvements.
- **CAP post-2020**
 - Data on IACS to provide objective basis for decision-making

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The IACS study – what

1. IACS: studying its present, exploring its future
 2. The LPIS: methodological framework + costs/ burdens
 3. LPIS QA
 4. Database for payment entitlements
 5. Costs of controls in direct payments
 6. Administrative burdens linked to greening
 7. Cross Compliance: costs and administrative burden for MS and farmers stemming from compliance with GAECs
 8. IACS-based rural development measures.
 9. Administrative burden: the farmers' perspective
- + using new technologies to modernise the system

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The IACS study – who

- Geographical scope: EU 28
- Case studies - all MS may be concerned
 - Min 12 case studies will be carried out by a contractor
 - Data from the competent authorities will be needed

The quality of research is directly related to the quality of available data and research methodologies.

The quality of the methodological framework is our responsibility.

The quality of the output will depend on the quality of available data.

**Your cooperation is therefore essential
for the success of this study!**

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The IACS study – when

- Kick-off meeting with selected contractor in Dec 2017
- Data collection in Jan – Apr 2018
 - Selection of case studies
 - Interviews
 - Questionnaires
- Possible follow-up in May – July 2018
- Results of the study by the end of 2018

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The IACS study – what's in it for you?

- Tool for measuring the cost-effectiveness of your LPIS
- Analysis of data
 - Comparison of data
 - Variables that lead to increase/ decrease of cost-effectiveness of IACS
 - Data for discussions on IACS in a CAP post-2020
- The farmer's perspective
 - Comparison of data
 - Variables that have an impact on perceptions of burden

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More information:
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