

WELCOME

Progress on
REPS 3

and associated trivia with which to amaze your friends.

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REPS 3

- REPS 3 was launched in June 2004
- After a consultative process involving all interested parties



REPS 3



- A new scheme...

- More emphasis on biodiversity...



- Payments are up...



- Penalties are down...



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Record Numbers

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- In July 2005 we passed the previous record of 45,500 participants



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- Currently we have over 48,000 in REPS
- Hope to have close to 50,000 by year end

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- 48,007 broken down as follows:
- 23,670 in Reps 2
- 24,337 in REPS 3

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No participants now remain in REPS 1.



County by County breakdown of participants

County	Participants
MAYO	5848
GALWAY	5767
DONEGAL	3846
CORK	3607
KERRY	2935
ROSCOMMON	2480
CLARE	2197
CAVAN	1773
LEITRIM	1611
SLIGO	1584
MONAGHAN	1552
LIMERICK	1464
WESTMEATH	1241
KILKENNY	1201

County	Participants
OFFALY	1184
TIPPERARY (NR)	1171
TIPPERARY (SR)	1136
LONGFORD	1096
LAOIS	1046
WEXFORD	1008
MEATH	973
WATERFORD	894
WICKLOW	624
KILDARE	530
CARLOW	493
LOUTH	318
DUBLIN	104

Trivia

- Galway and Mayo have 24% of total participants.
- The 6 West of Ireland counties account for 41% of total participants
- If you add Kerry and Donegal to the 6 West of Ireland counties the figure is increased to 55%

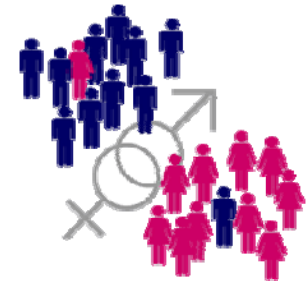


Trivia

Dublin and the 3
surrounding counties
of Meath, Kildare
and Wicklow
account for only 5%
of total participants.



Gender breakdown of participants



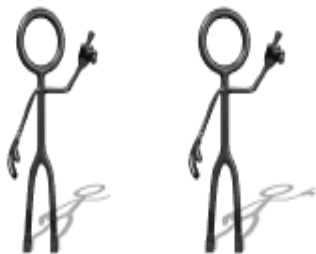
83%

Male



9%

Female



8%

Joint

2004 spend on REPS

- Last year we spent €208m on REPS payments



2005 spend on REPS

With two months to go we have spent €211m
and will spend about €270m before the end
of the year



Trivia

- Before a recent clean-up of computer data, the youngest participant in REPS was found to be *minus* 43 years old.
- He will be born on 11/09/2049.



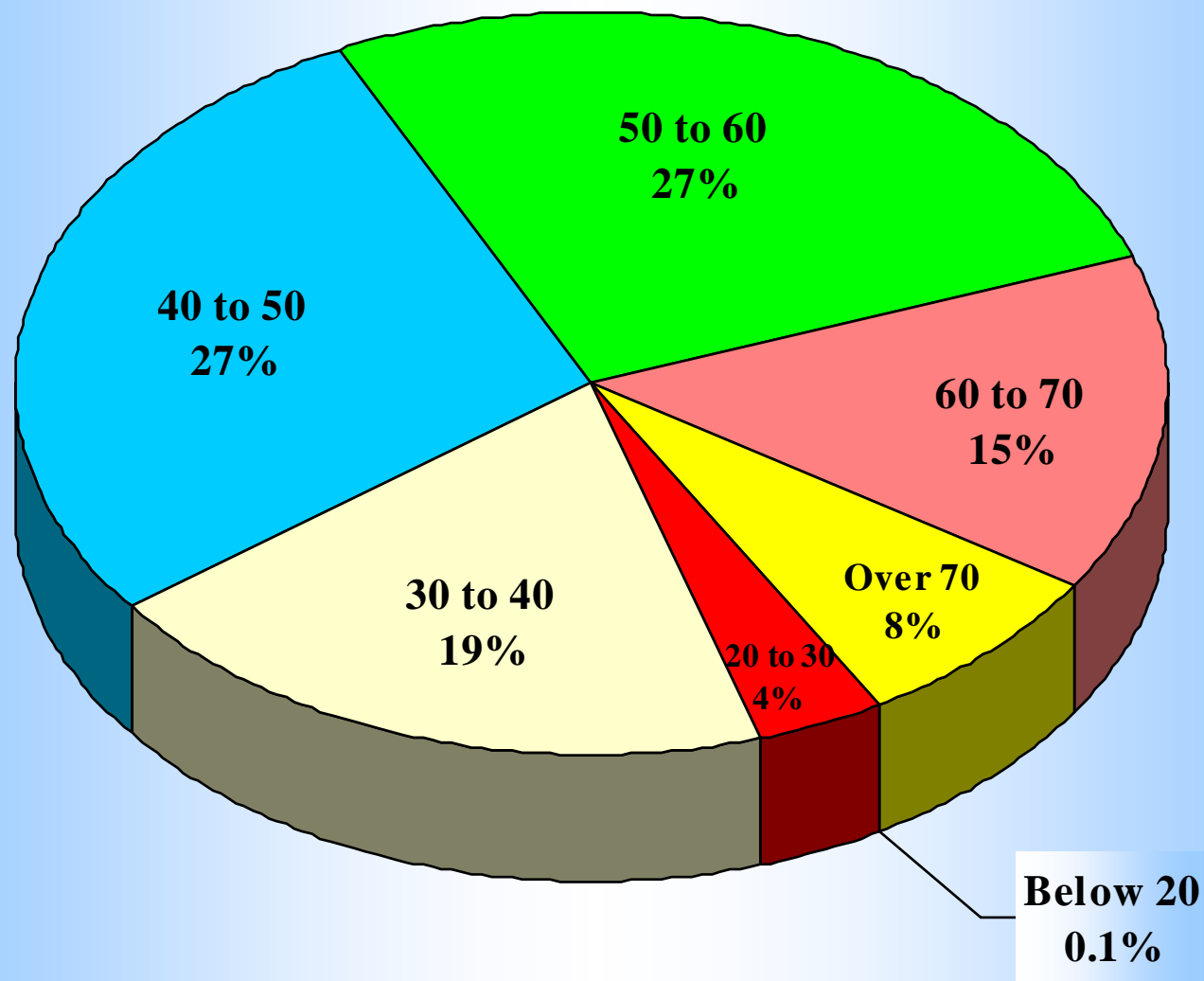
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REPS 3 Participants Age Profile

Age	Participants
Below 20	16
20 to 30	914
30 to 40	4759
40 to 50	7027
50 to 60	6597
60 to 70	3621
Over 70	1879

REPS 3 Participants Age Profile



Supplementary measures

Of those that have picked a supplementary measure:

Measure 1 Corncrake	0.5%
Measure 2 Orchards	6.8%
Measure 3 Rare Breeds	12.7%
Measure 4 Riparian	9.7%
Measure 5 Linnet	34.3%
Measure 6 Organic	36.0%

Measure A

- 21.4% of participants have opted for Measure A
- 0.01 Ha is the smallest amount of MA declared
- 1,214.94 Ha is the biggest amount of MA declared

Organic Supplementary Measure



Gender Breakdown



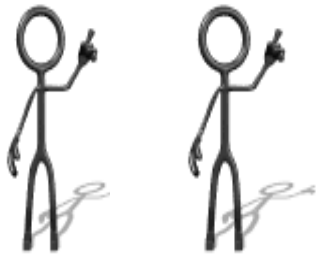
71%

Male



13%

Female



16%

Joint

Category 1 Biodiversity Options selected

**5B NEW HEDGEROW
ESTABLISHMENT
30.0%**

**5A HEDGEROW
REJUVENATION
28.1%**

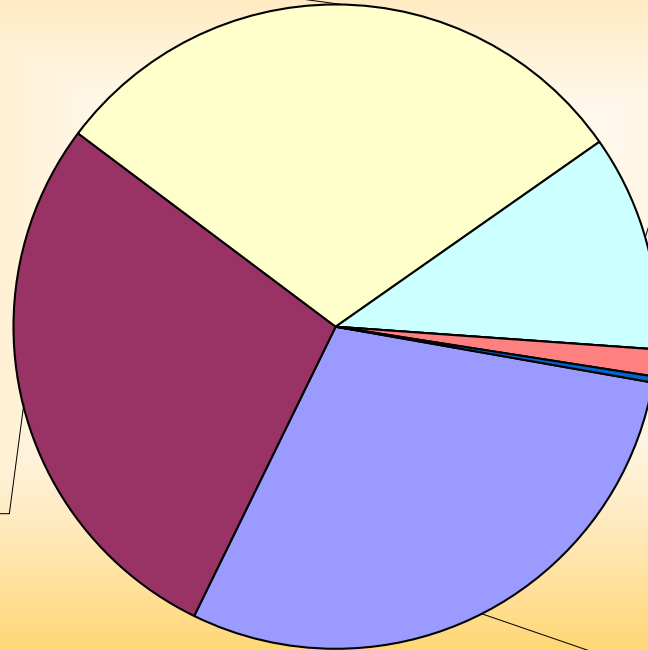
**5C STONEWALLS
10.9%**

**9A GREEN COVER
0.1%**

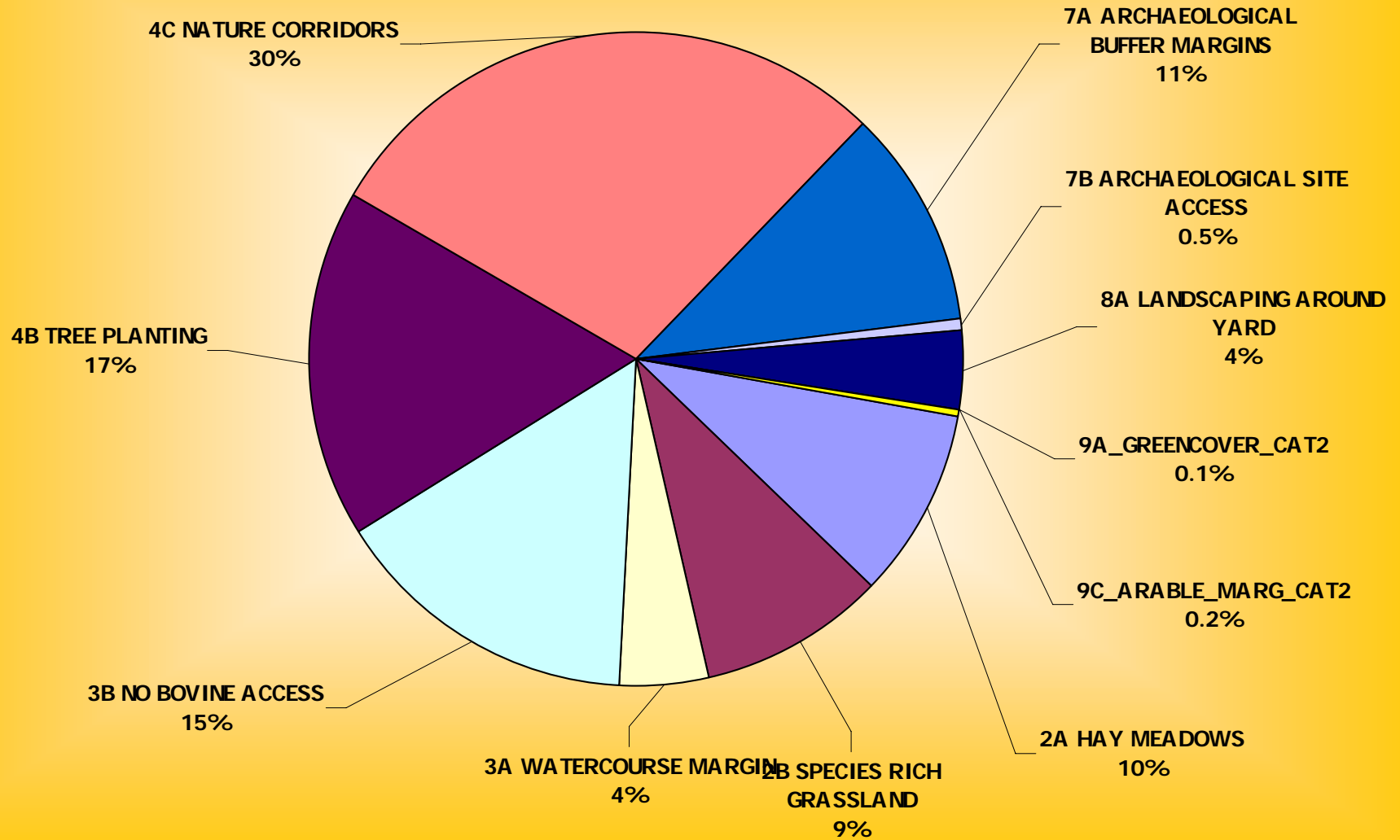
**9B
ENVIRONMENTAL
SETASIDE
1.3%**

**9C ARABLE
MARGINS
0.3%**

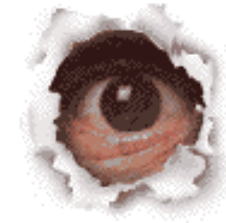
**4A NEW HABITAT
29.2%**



Category 2 Biodiversity Options selected



Inspections



- 1,956 AES inspections were selected in 2005
- 10,722 Compliance inspections were selected in 2005

Top 10 Penalties

No of penalties imposed for non-compliance in 2005

Type of Penalty	No of Occurences
UNDERTAKINGS IN RESPECT OF FARMYARD NOT CARRIED OUT AS PLANNED	437
HEDGEROWS/STONEWALLS NOT MAINTAINED AS SPECIFIED IN PLAN	223
FARM BOUNDARIES NOT STOCKPROOFED	150
BOVINES NOT EXCLUDED FROM WELLS AND WATERCOURSES MARKED BLUE ON MAP	144
STOCK NOT WINTERED AS SET OUT IN PLAN	61
PLANNED WASTE STORAGE FACILITIES NOT PROVIDED	53
PLANNED ANIMAL HOUSING FACILITIES NOT PROVIDED	41
TILLAGE FIELD MARGINS WIDTHS NOT IN CONFORMITY WITH REPS REQUIREMENTS	29
FENCES NOT LOCATED THE SPECIFIED DISTANCE FROM WELLS/WATERCOURSES	25
LISTED HABITATS NOT RETAINED AS SPECIFIED	24

Penalties and Risk analysis

- Where a participant is penalised there is an increased 'risk' that s/he will be selected for a further inspection the following year



Audits



- Internal Dept. of Agriculture and Food
- Controller & Auditor General
- European Court of Auditors
- European Commission Auditors
- Accreditation as a Paying Agency Audit

Planners



- There are currently 810 approved planners

Planners



Plans done	No of Planners
0	155
10	161
20	90
30	77
40	54
50	32
75	84
100	61
150	42
200	7
Over 200	7

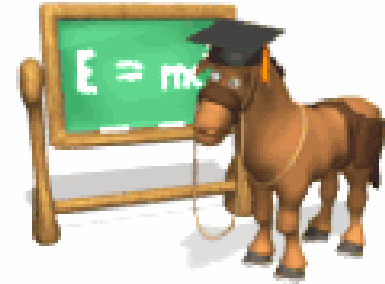
Planners



Since REPS began in 1994, one planner has submitted 1,149 plans across all 3 Schemes.



Training courses



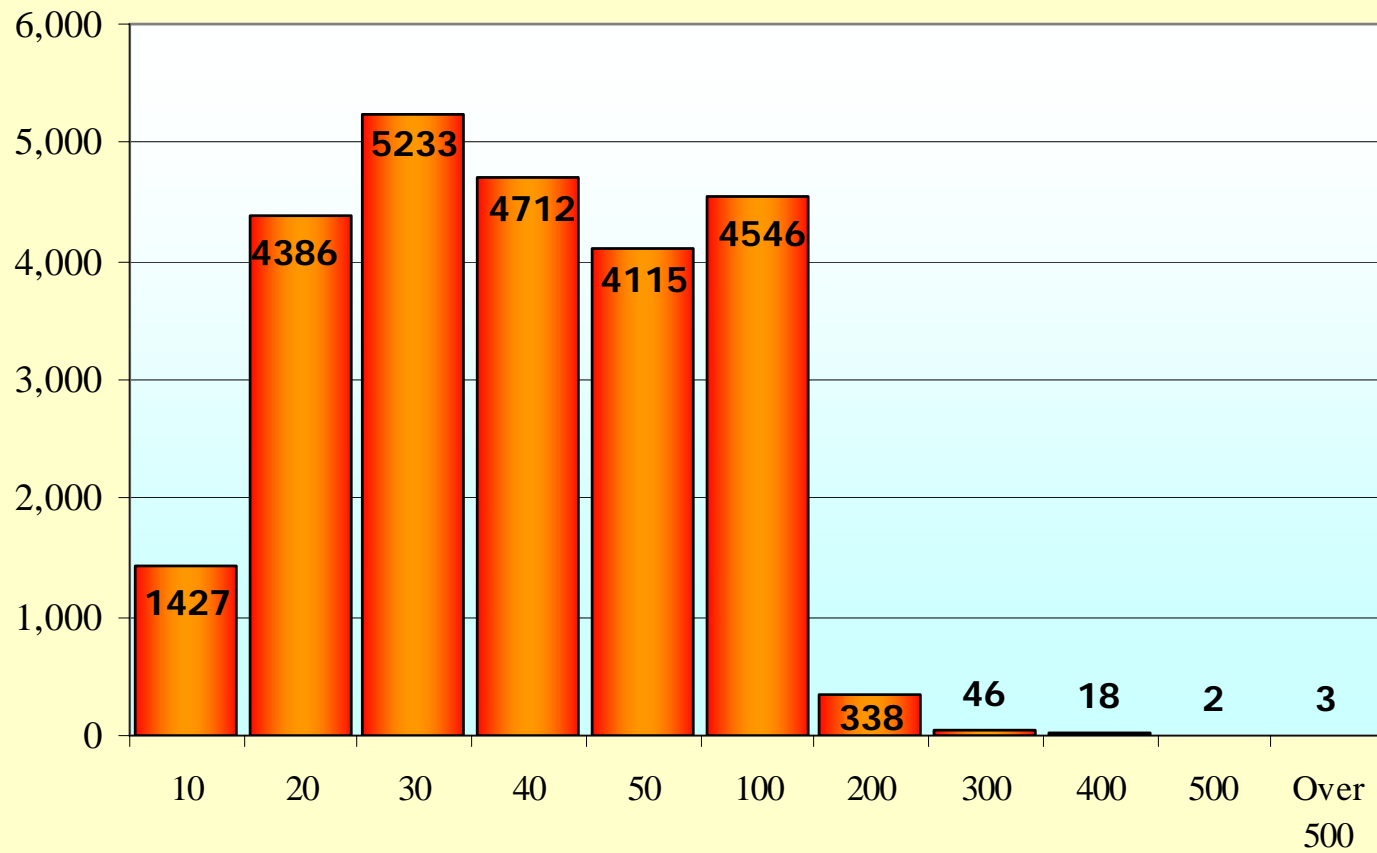
- In 2004 11,344 participants attended training courses
- In 2005 4,093 participants attended training courses
- In 2004 we spent €884,654 on training courses and €478,862 in 2005

Average REPS 3 farm size

- The average farm size in REPS 3 is 36.56 Ha

REPS 3 Farm Size

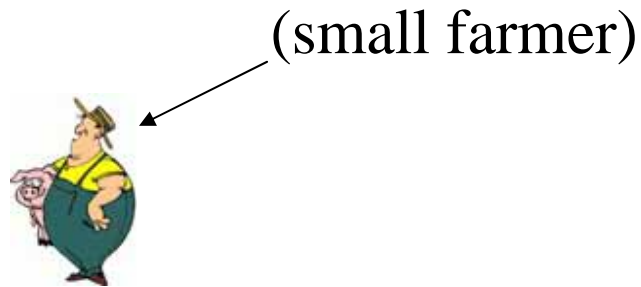
No of Farms



Farm Size (Ha)

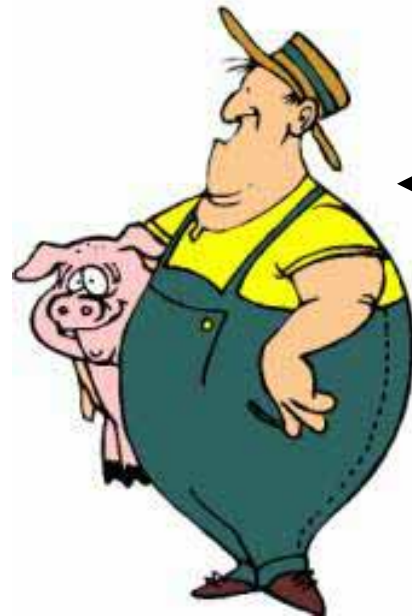
Trivia

- The smallest farm in REPS is 2.88 Ha.
- This farm receives an annual REPS payment of €1,427.00



Trivia

- The biggest farm in REPS is 1,414.34 Ha.
- This farm receives an annual REPS payment of €18,828.70



← (big farmer)

Average REPS payments

- The average payment made under REPS 2 is €4,810.92
- The average payment made under REPS 3 is €6,092.00

Payments in REPS 3

•In the 3rd Quarter of 2005, the number of REPS 3 participants who received a payment was 6,151.

Payments up to	Percentage
€2,000	5%
€4,000	17%
€6,000	23%
€8,000	28%
€10,000	24%
€12,000	3%
€14,000	0.3%
€16,000	0.1%
Over €16,000	0.1%



REPS 4



- Consultative process has already started
- Calling for submissions from all interested parties on all aspects of the Scheme before 9 Dec, 2005
- Scheme to Commission by mid year 2006



REPS 4



- EU Commission will not allow us to pay farmers for doing anything that is required under Cross Compliance.
- The Single Payment already covers Cross Compliance
- More and more emphasis by Commission on getting value for money



REPS 4



- REPS 4 will be part of Rural Development Plan 2007-2013
- Submissions proposing new measures should identify the objective of each measure, the environmental benefit it offers and the actions needed to ensure that the benefit is delivered.

Join REPS 3 or wait for REPS 4 ?

- We know what's available in REPS 3
- We don't know what will be available in REPS 4
- When REPS 4 is launched, and maybe before that, it will not be possible to join REPS 3

