The Policy Perspective: From Burren Beginnings to Local Led EIPs and Beyond

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Outline

• CAP post 2020: Focus on green architecture

• Role of European Innovation Partnerships

• Range of complementary projects and initiatives – Building Capacity

• Sustainable Agriculture – Innovation, partnership, locally adapted and results orientated solutions
Common Agriculture Policy-Post 2020

• “A fit for purpose CAP to meet the challenges of the 21st Century”
• Market orientated but more targeted and effective market intervention
• EU Commission
  • “modernisation and simplification of the Common Agricultural Policy to maximise its contribution to the Commission’s political priorities and the Sustainable Development Goals.”
• Commissioner Hogan
  • Greater market resilience
  • Sustainable agriculture production
  • Generational renewal
  • New CAP – a higher level of environmental ambition
“Potential” Contribution of CAP to the UN Sustainable Development Goals
EU Commission legislative proposals
June 2018 - CAP Strategic Plans:
subsidarity, flexibility and results/performance based framework

AEC example: “Support under payments for management commitments may also be granted in the form of locally-led, integrated or cooperative approaches and result-based interventions............ annual or pluri-annual period and might go beyond seven years where duly justified”
New delivery Model

• Performance orientated policy with performance framework
• Common Monitoring and Evaluation Framework (CMEF) streamlined and used as basis for assessment and monitoring
• New “Performance Monitoring and Evaluation Framework (PMEF)”
• Performance measured against specific objectives
• CAP Strategic Plans and annual performance reports
• Increase subsidiarity and flexibility
CAP Green Architecture

2014-2020

Cross Compliance Pillar I

Greening Pillar I

Pillar II Environment and Climate Measures

Post 2020

Enhanced Conditionality Pillar I

Voluntary Eco-scheme Pillar I

Pillar II Environment and Climate Measures
Potential to realise enhanced Environment ambitions

CAP Green Architecture Post 2020

Pillar II Environment and Climate Measures

Voluntary Eco-scheme Pillar I

Enhanced Conditionality Pillar I

AEC Measures (potential)

Targeted MBPS, RBAPS or Hybrid

Higher payment for environmental services/entry level schemes

Baseline conditionality
### Timelines and Reality!

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(BREXIT; EP Elections) Process not complete until **2022/23**; Transition arrangements from 1/1/2021
Role of European Innovation Partnership (EIP-AGRI)

- EIP-AGRI European Innovation Partnership for Agricultural Productivity and Sustainability
- Farmers, advisors, scientists, agribusiness and the wider community
- One stop website https://ec.europa.eu/eip/agriculture/en
- Turning ideas into innovation action
EIP-AGRI

• Innovation stimulation:
  – **EU** Research and Innovation HORIZON 2020
  – Rural Development Programmes **within regions**

  International multi actor projects
  Thematic networks

  Operational Groups
  Innovation Support Services

A European Network

HNV-Link

Developing and sharing innovations that support farming systems in areas of exceptional natural values across Europe through a multi-actor approach.

www.hnvlink.eu
Learning Areas

2) Dartmoor (United Kingdom)
3) Sitio de Monfurado (Portugal)
4) Dalmatian Islands (Croatia)
5) Eastern Hills of Cluj (Romania)
6) Western Stara Planina (Bulgaria)
7) Västra Götaland (Sweden)
9) The Burren (Ireland)
10) Thessalia (Greece)
12) Causses et Cévennes (FR)
13) La Vera, Extremadura (ES)

Work Package Leaders

1) Ciheam-IamM
2) EFNCP (Spain)
8) AScA (France)
11) UH (Finland)

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Welcome to the Innovations for High Nature Value farmland and farming systems!

You can search for innovations by the attributes below. The search engine will return you a list of the innovations by countries. You can find them by the respective country link. You can screen the innovations by their short descriptions or download the full fiche.

There are some challenges addressed by all innovations for HNV farmlands: to improve the economic viability of farming, to improve welfare in these areas, while fostering the cultural heritage. Therefore, only some explicitly address such challenges. Product search options are available: Markets type.

Search for:

- Innovation type
  - Social and Institutional
  - Regulations and Policy
  - Farming Techniques and Management
- Scale of operation
  - single farm
  - farm cluster
  - region
- Product type
  - processed
  - unprocessed
  - other products
  - meat

http://www.hnvlink.eu/innovations/
Ireland’s Unique opportunity

- Burren programme; LIFE projects; RBAPS; INTERREG
- EIP Hen Harrier: European Innovation Partnership locally led project for Hen Harrier Special Protection Areas, Freshwater Pearl Mussel
- EIP-Open Call 1: European Innovation partnership operational groups

“Steeping Stones” to wider roll out
Seizing the Opportunity

- **Clear policy vision** and pathway for CAP post 2020
- **EIPs** piloting and testing innovations
- **Innovative design** of agri-environment schemes - Burren, EIPs etc.
- **Enhanced knowledge base** - informing CAP Strategic Plan
- Increased subsidiarity and enhanced flexibility = **Opportunity**
- **New green architecture**: Integration across CAP pillar I and II
- **Complex** but well designed = **simplified** implementation
Knowledge sharing and network building within Ireland

- **EIP competitive process** (inevitable disappointment, barrier to knowledge sharing initially)

- **Successful example initiatives/areas** are crucial but equally important to document where problems occurred

- **What did we learn? Where are we going (bigger picture)?**

- **Capacity Building**: knowledge sharing building on EIP examples acknowledging and realizing their potential (NRN)

- **Current Farm Advisory System (FAS system)** – narrow disciplinary focus

- **Multifunctional CAP** needs support of **multidisciplinary FAS** (Broader Agricultural Knowledge and Innovation System)
A pathway to a sustainable future

Innovation network, partnership, locally adapted and results orientated solutions
A Call to Action!

• Joint development of policy proposals and action for the Future of the Common Agriculture Policy (2019)

• **Different place compared to 5 years ago:** increase in evidence base and practical trialing of innovations

• **Post 2020 move from innovative pilots to widespread practice**
Continue the conversation!

Burren Winterage Weekend

Celebrating our Farming Heritage

25th-28th October, 2018