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Climate proofing the CAP

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Do CAP priorities depend on your viewpoint?

Farmer's viewpoint:

- Economic security
- Clarity and stability of policy context
- Freedom in land management decisions
- Climate??

Society's viewpoint:

- Food security, price and quality
- Environmental, health and animal welfare
- Climate??



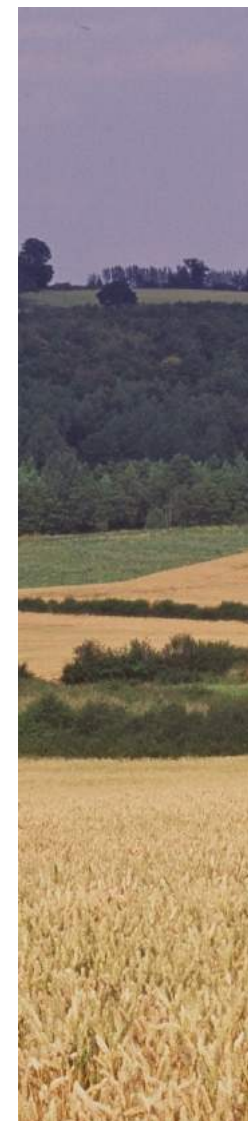
Can we bridge the gap?

Win-win for both business and climate:

- Adaptation *and* mitigation
- Resource efficiency for production of commodities *and* environmental benefits
- Soil organic matter *and* carbon sequestration

Potential tensions:

- Spreading the risk or paying for the losses?
- Short term economic benefit or long-term protection of assets?
- Carbon sequestration or carbon substitution?



Do we have the policy tools?

- CAP has a powerful impact on land management decisions, through €€€ and associated requirements
- There is considerable flexibility in implementation for both Member States and farmers, especially in the case of RDPs
- Increased CAP emphasis on climate since 2008
- Synergy with delivering many other EU policies

Is improving implementation the answer?

Capacity and skills

- of managing authorities, advisers, land managers

Raising the threshold for climate actions

- GAEC and greening
- climate proofing investment

Targeting

- at arming and forest systems, soil types
- through payment for environmental results and/or ecosystem services

Data

- EU wide farm level data available from LPIS, FADN and LUCAS, CMEF
- need to improve integration with soil, land cover and environment data

Awareness and motivation

- of needs, risks, opportunities and economic benefits; of tools and technology

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