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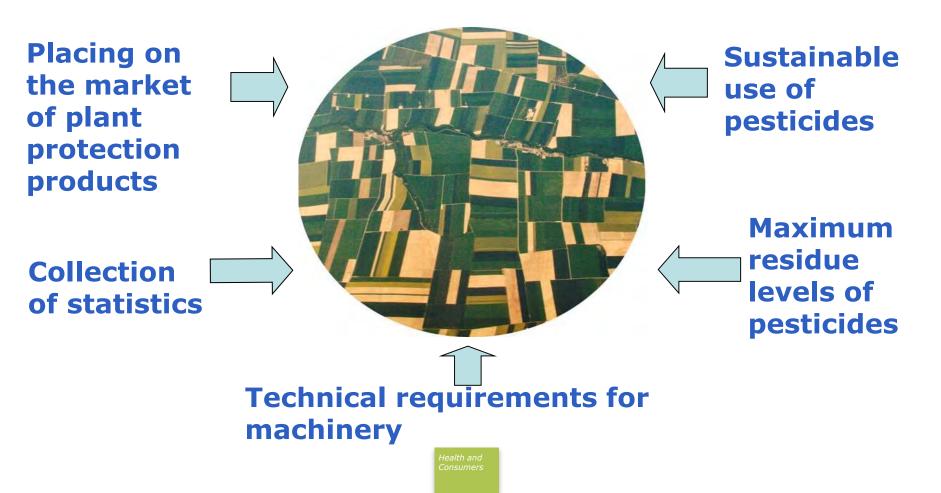
Issues with Regulation 1107/2009 and the SUD

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EU legislative frame





Structure of this presentation

- Basic substances
- Low risk substances
- Other issues related to 1107/2009
- Sustainable Use Directive
 National Action Plans
 Integrated Pest Management

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Basic substances - Pilot project

- > DG SANCO pilot project: with 5 applications
- Working procedure with Member States and EFSA established
 - > EFSA co-ordinates commenting and finalises reporting table
 - If required, COM asks EFSA for focussed peer review or conclusion on open points
 - COM prepares review report and legal act
 - Overall 12-15 months



Low Risk Substances

Regulation 1107/2009

- favours the inclusion of low risk substances in plant protection products and
- o facilitates their placing on the market

Incentives and facilitated market access

- Approval up to 15 years
- Data protection up to 13 years
- Low risk PPP: Member States to decide in 120 days
- o Separate listing
- Allowed to be mentioned in advertising



Low Risk – current issues/IBMA request 1

- More suitable criteria
 - Review and specification of new criteria legally possible
- Establishment of list of low risk substances
- Specific data requirements for biopesticides
- Preferential treatment in approval/authorisation process



Low Risk – Criteria for identification

An active substance shall **<u>not</u>** be considered of low risk where it is or has to be classified as at least one of the following:

- carcinogenic,
- mutagenic,
- toxic to reproduction,
- sensitising chemicals,
- very toxic or toxic,
- explosive,
- corrosive.



Low Risk – Criteria for identification

It shall also **not** be considered as of low risk if:

- persistent (half-life in soil is more than 60 days),
- bioconcentration factor is higher than 100,
- it is deemed to be an endocrine disrupter, or
- it has neurotoxic or immunotoxic effects.



EU-expert group on "low risk"

Expert group of EU-Member States, Commission, Growers Organisations, NGOs and Industry.

Points to consider:

- Consistency with other regulatory frames;
- > Compare with criteria for 'green track active substances';
- Adjust current 'negative' criteria formulate positive criteria;
- > Develop further guidance;
- > Discuss current incentives.



Low Risk – current issues/requests IBMA – 2

- Establishment of list of low risk substances
 Early review of already approved substances
- Specific data requirements for biopesticides
- Preferential treatment in approval/authorisation process
 - ➤ Accelerated approval/authorisation
 - Provisional/conditional approval
 - Unlimited approval/authorisation
 - ➢ Fees exemption

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Regulation 1107/2009 – other relevant issues

Minor uses

- Report to Council and Parliament delayed
- Report foresees establishment of secretariat with coordination role
- No funding of studies and research foreseen

Candidates for substitution

- Legal deadline to establish list
- External study carried out



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Objectives of Sustainable Use Directive

Achieve sustainable use of pesticides by

- reducing risks and impacts on human heath and the enviroment and
- promoting the use of IPM and of alternative approaches or techniques such as non-chemical alternatives





SUD transposition and implementation

- Transposition date : 26 November 2011
- > Today: transposition completed by **26** Member States
- Submission of National Action Plan: 26 November 2012
- > Today: **27** Member States have submitted up to now





National action plans (NAP)

Quantitative objectives, targets, measures and timetables

- ➢ to reduce risks and impacts of pesticides uses and
- to encourage <u>development of IPM</u> and <u>alternative techniques</u> to reduce dependency on the use of pesticides
- Indicators to monitor the use of active substances
- Description of implementing measures such as
 - > IPM
 - Training and information
 - Controls of equipment and others



Follow up on implementation NAP

- ➢ First analysis available beginning 2014 together with FVO
- ➢ Report to European Parliament and Council by 26 Nov 2014
 - > on the information communicated by MS in relation to NAPs
 - on methods used and
 - implications concerning the establishment of different targets to reduce the risks and use of pesticides
- > NAP are not to be approved by Commission!



Follow up on implementation of IPM

Member States shall report by 30 June 2013

- on the measures to promote low pesticide-input pest management
- on the establishment of necessary conditions for the implementation of <u>IPM</u>
- In particular if farmers have at their disposal information and tools for monitoring and decision making as well as advisory services
- Already NAP shall describe
 - ➢ How MS ensure that the general principles of IPM are implemented and
 - Followed by all professional users as of 1 Jan 2014



Implementation of IPM - 1

- Submission of IPM reports by 30 June 2013
- SANCO offered electronic questionnaire to facilitate process
- Today: reports from 21 Member States
- > Translation of reports in progress
- Project planned under BTSF (« train the trainer »)



Structure IPM questionnaire

- > Planning, governance and coordination
- Communication and certified training
- Advisory services, pest monitoring and decision making tools for professional users
- Guidelines and other documentation
- Measure the progress achieved
- > Promotion of low pesticides input pest management
- Complementary related policies



Draft overview of Guidelines and other informative technical documentation

5. Guidelines and other informative technical information

5.1. Are guidelines on general principles of Integra	ated Pest Management (IPM) available? -single choice reply- (compulsory)	
Requested records	16	
C Yes	11	
No	1	
Planned for	4	
N/A	0	

5.2. Are sector specific guidelines on general princ	iples of IPM available? -single choice reply- (compulsory)	
Requested records	16	
Carl Yes		9
No	2	
Planned for	5	
N/A	0	





Draft overview on promotion of low pesticides input pest management

7.1. What are the measures put in place to promote low pesticide-input pest management? (more than 1 answer possible) -multiple choices reply- (optional)

Requested records	16
Information to farmers	12
Taxation system with low risk product advantaged	2
Lower fees for registration of low risk products	4
Simplified accelerated process of authorisation	4
Advisory support to companies in phase of registration	6
Tareted public research	7
Best projects awards	1
Best practices awards	2
Insurance scheme for minimising economical damage from plant	0
desesases	
Funding to support transitional phase to IPM	2
Organic farming subsidies	11
Integrated production subsidies	7
Direct support to farmers to by low risk PPP	2
Financial incentives for specific IPM equipment	5
Awareness raising on identified best practices to encourage	7
development	
Others	2



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Impact on work progress

- Unforeseen issues:
 - o Bees/NNI
 - o Endocrine disruptors
- Court cases
- Requests for access to documents
- Commission-wide reduction in staff



Thank you for your attention !

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