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## **DRAFT OPINION**

of the Committee on Agriculture and Rural Development

for the Committee on Budgets and the Committee on Budgetary Control

on the proposal for a regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council establishing a budget expenditure tracking and performance framework and other horizontal rules for the Union programmes and activities (COM(2025)0545 – C10-0166/2025 – 2025/0545(COD))

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## SHORT JUSTIFICATION

The regulation will form the basis for expenditure tracking and performance measurements under the next Multiannual Financial Framework. Therefore, it is not merely a technical detail but a strategic instrument for the future of the EU budget.

With this regulation, the Commission aims to establish a uniform and comparable system for tracking expenditures across all programmes, place a stronger focus on performance rather than solely on the disbursement of funds, and improve the link between political priorities, financial resources, and measurable results. The Commission expects this to reduce bureaucracy and increase transparency regarding Member States' progress towards their goals.

A performance-based policy involves both assessments based on selected output, result, and impact indicators, in accordance with the performance, monitoring, and evaluation framework.

### **Key Concerns**

While I support the general direction, I have identified several critical issues, particularly for the agricultural sector, but not exclusively:

### **Impact Indicators:**

Performance measurement should not become an end in itself. More meaningful indicators are needed which focus on long-term effects rather than short-term outputs. The proposal includes two types of performance indicators: output and result indicators.

Impact indicators in the current CAP assess overall policy performance in relation to CAP objectives and broader environmental, economic, and social trends. Under this new proposal, the Commission is moving away from the current practice of collecting impact indicators for the CAP. Since the last CAP reform, these indicators provide and have provided essential qualitative data for the policy's development. In my view, impact indicators must be reintroduced. Efficiency and real-world change can only be properly assessed through impact. Member States are already collecting these data, so there is no reason to discontinue this valuable practice.

### **Accountability and Transparency:**

The new regulation does not clearly provide for an intervention by the European Commission in the case that Member States do not meet their pre-agreed milestones and targets. The consequences of failing to meet targets remain open. This constitutes a major risk for the accountability of EU budget spending. That is why I reintroduce the possibility to ask Member States for an action plan to enforce remedial action, if policy objectives fail to be met.

In addition, concentration of land ownership in the EU hinders new entrants to get access to land. EU funding is often channelled via lease payments to the actual landowner, who does not cultivate the land.

Greater transparency with regard to landowners could give EU decisionmakers data on hand to fight against land concentration in the EU. Therefore, the introduction of this information is necessary within the framework of the Single Gateway.

### **Spending Target of 50% for Climate, environment and biodiversity:**

The proposed target lacks ambition. By 2026, a 40% target is already expected to be achieved overall. Therefore, a target of 50% should be considered, encompassing climate, environment, and biodiversity objectives. Furthermore, to prevent a mathematical reduction in climate, environmental and biodiversity spending, the exception for security and defense expenditure should be removed from Article 4.

### **Rio Markers:**

The system for accounting for climate action in the EU budget must be reformed to ensure a more honest and accurate reporting. That is why I propose changing the three-step to a five-step approach. This will further improve the transparency of the EU budget.

In summary, the performance model proposed by the Commission needs to be amended, so it lives up to its name. The model needs a more transparent, qualitative and honest approach to better track expenditure and performance in the upcoming multiannual framework to highlight good results and identify areas for improvement.

## **AMENDMENTS**

The Committee on Agriculture and Rural Development submits the following to the Committee on Budgets and the Committee on Budgetary Control, as the committees responsible:

### **Amendment 1 Proposal for a regulation Recital 5**

#### *Text proposed by the Commission*

(5) The streamlined application of the ‘do no significant harm’ principle where feasible and appropriate, as referred to in Article 33(2), point (d) of Regulation (EU, Euratom) 2024/2509 should be based on a single and simple guidance. The Commission should provide this technical guidance by 1 January 2027. That guidance should be based on the overarching principles of clarity, simplification and proportionality, having regard to the principles of economy, efficiency and effectiveness and to achieving the set objectives of the programme or instrument

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Or. en

### *Justification*

*The 'do no significant harm' principle should be based on a scientific framework.*

## **Amendment 2**

### **Proposal for a regulation**

#### **Recital 16**

#### *Text proposed by the Commission*

(16) The Commission has established EU climate coefficients to quantify the Union budget expenditure contributing to climate objectives and reflecting the objectives of the European Green Deal. Under that system<sup>17</sup>, a coefficient of 100 % is assigned to activities expected to make a substantial contribution to climate change mitigation or adaptation objectives in line with Union climate goals, a coefficient of 40 % is assigned to activities expected to make a ***non-marginal***, positive contribution to climate change mitigation or adaptation objectives, ***and*** a coefficient of 0 % is assigned to activities expected to have a neutral impact on climate objectives. For a number of activities, EU climate coefficients reflect the technical screening criteria of the EU Taxonomy of sustainable activities.

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assigned to activities expected to make a positive contribution to climate change mitigation or adaptation objectives, *despite not being directly related to climate change mitigation or adaptation*. A coefficient of 0 % is assigned to activities expected to have a neutral impact on climate objectives. For a number of activities, EU climate coefficients reflect the technical screening criteria of the EU Taxonomy of sustainable activities.

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<sup>17</sup> Commission Staff Working Document on Climate Mainstreaming Architecture in the 2021-2027 Multiannual Financial Framework, SWD(2022) 225 final.

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Or. en

### *Justification*

*A more granular five-tier scale, ranging from 0% to 100% in 25% steps, would enable more precise tracking of how funds contribute to mainstreaming objectives compared to the existing three-level system.*

## **Amendment 3**

### **Proposal for a regulation**

#### **Recital 18**

#### *Text proposed by the Commission*

(18) Article 33(3) of Regulation (EU, Euratom) 2024/2509 requires the monitoring of performance indicators which are to be relevant, accepted, credible, easy and robust, while allowing for aggregation of data across programmes. It is therefore necessary to set out a list of performance indicators that should be concise and proportionate, be limited in number and not result in excessive administrative burden. Performance indicators, including output *and* result indicators, should be used solely for the purpose of monitoring and reporting on the performance of the budget, and for informing the evaluation of programmes

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Or. en

### *Justification*

*This regulation should be able to track real-world effects instead of only tracking activities and output.*

#### **Amendment 4** **Proposal for a regulation** **Recital 20**

##### *Text proposed by the Commission*

(20) To ensure consistency, transparency, comparability and accountability across all programmes and activities under the budget, common rules should be provided in relation to their evaluation by the Commission, in line with Article 34(3) of Regulation (EU, Euratom) 2024/2509. In addition to a retrospective evaluation in accordance with that provision, the Commission should also publish a mid-term implementation report for each programme or activity mobilising quantitative and quality evidence in order to shed light on the progress made towards the achievement of their objectives. When carrying out evaluations, the Commission should, in particular, aim to quantify to the extent possible the contribution to Union policy objectives, GDP growth *and* employment rates in the Union. Evaluations by Member States may also involve third countries, regarding support for cooperation activities between Member States and third countries. Evaluations should be conducted in a sufficiently timely manner to feed into the decision-making process, and could cover programmes, activities, or groups of

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Or. en

### *Justification*

*The mid-term implementation report should also focus on progress made towards spending goals on specific climate, environment and biodiversity spending targets as well as gender mainstreaming.*

#### **Amendment 5**

##### **Proposal for a regulation**

##### **Article 2 – paragraph 1 – point 6**

###### *Text proposed by the Commission*

(6) ‘milestone’ *has the meaning given in Regulation .../... [National and Regional Partnership Plans];*

###### *Amendment*

(6) ‘milestone’ *means a qualitative and/or quantitative achievement used to measure progress towards the achievement of a measure through the use of indicators set out in Annex I;*

Or. en

#### **Amendment 6**

##### **Proposal for a regulation**

##### **Article 2 – paragraph 1 – point 7**

###### *Text proposed by the Commission*

(7) ‘target’ *has the meaning given in Regulation .../... [National and Regional Partnership Plans];*

###### *Amendment*

(7) ‘target’ *means a quantitative and/or qualitative achievement used to measure progress towards the achievement of a measure by the end of the programming period with the help of the indicators set out in Annex I;*

Or. en

#### **Amendment 7**

##### **Proposal for a regulation**

##### **Article 2 – paragraph 1 – point 10**

###### *Text proposed by the Commission*

(10) ‘EU coefficients’ means the *three-*

###### *Amendment*

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*tier* system of coefficients (0%, **40%**, 100%) which are applied to measure the contribution of each budget intervention towards policies;

*tier* system of coefficients (0%, **25%, 50%, 75%**, 100%) which are applied to measure the contribution of each budget intervention towards policies;

Or. en

*Justification*

*A more granular five-tier scale, ranging from 0% to 100% in 25% steps, would enable more precise tracking of how funds contribute to mainstreaming objectives compared to the existing three-level system.*

**Amendment 8**  
**Proposal for a regulation**  
**Article 4 – title**

*Text proposed by the Commission*

Climate and biodiversity

*Amendment*

Climate, **environment** and biodiversity

Or. en

**Amendment 9**  
**Proposal for a regulation**  
**Article 4 – paragraph 1**

*Text proposed by the Commission*

1. The contribution from the budget to climate and biodiversity shall be monitored by means of the budget expenditure tracking and performance framework laid down in Article 8, including by means of EU coefficients.

*Amendment*

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Or. en

**Amendment 10**  
**Proposal for a regulation**  
**Article 4 – paragraph 2**

*Text proposed by the Commission*

2. Programmes and activities shall be implemented with a view to achieving an overall spending target of at least **35%** of the total amount of the budget on climate

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action **and** environmental objectives (‘climate **and** environment spending target’) over the entire 2028-2034 multiannual financial framework, calculated by using the highest coefficient amongst climate mitigation, climate adaptation and resilience, and environment of the framework referred to in paragraph 1. ***Defence and security spending shall be excluded from the basis for the calculation of the climate and environment spending target.***

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Or. en

**Amendment 11**  
**Proposal for a regulation**  
**Article 4 – paragraph 4**

*Text proposed by the Commission*

4. The Commission is empowered to adopt delegated acts in accordance with Article 20 to adjust the levels of the climate and environment spending targets defined in Annex III to take into account developments during the implementation of the programmes, including the under- or over-achievement of the targets, or to reflect new priorities within the implementation of programmes.

*Amendment*

4. The Commission is empowered to adopt delegated acts in accordance with Article 20 to adjust the levels of the climate and environment spending targets defined in Annex III to take into account developments during the implementation of the programmes, including the under- or over-achievement of the targets, or to reflect new priorities within the implementation of programmes, ***without prejudice to the achievement of the climate, environment and biodiversity spending target as set out in paragraph 2.***

Or. en

*Justification*

*Changes introduced by the Commission should not come at the expense of the overall spending target.*

**Amendment 12**  
**Proposal for a regulation**  
**Article 4 – paragraph 5**

*Text proposed by the Commission*

5. Where there is insufficient progress towards the climate and environment spending target in one or more of the relevant programmes, the *Institutions*, in accordance with *their responsibilities* and the *relevant legislation*, **will consult each other on appropriate measures to be taken** to ensure that Union spending on climate **and** environment objectives over the 2028-2034 multiannual financial framework corresponds to at least **35%** of the total amount of the Union budget.

*Amendment*

5. Where there is insufficient progress towards the climate and environment spending target in one or more of the relevant programmes, the *Member State concerned shall submit a justification for this deviation. Following the assessment of that justification, the Commission may where necessary ask the Member State concerned to submit an action plan* in accordance with *Article 9a of this regulation describing the intended remedial actions* and the *expected timeframe* to ensure that Union spending on climate, environment **and biodiversity** objectives over the 2028-2034 multiannual financial framework corresponds to at least **50%** of the total amount of the Union budget.

Or. en

*Justification*

*Member States should be obliged to take action whenever insufficient progress towards spending target are being observed.*

**Amendment 13**  
**Proposal for a regulation**  
**Article 5 – paragraph 3 a (new)**

*Text proposed by the Commission*

*Amendment*

**3a. The Commission is empowered to adopt delegated acts in accordance with Article 20 to establish the guidance referred to in paragraph 1.**

Or. en

*Justification*

*The guidance for implementing the “Do No Significant Harm” principle will serve as a key instrument for clarifying the conditions under which compliance or non-compliance is determined. The European Parliament should therefore be granted the right of scrutiny in this regard.*

**Amendment 14**  
**Proposal for a regulation**  
**Article 8 – paragraph 1 – subparagraph 1 – point c a (new)**

*Text proposed by the Commission*

*Amendment*

***(c a) for a number of intervention fields, impact indicators, pursuant to Article 33(3) of Regulation (EU, Euratom) 2024/2509.***

Or. en

*Justification*

*This amendment aims to reintroduce the use of impact indicators in assessing the performance of Member States to better reflect effects of spending and related spending.*

**Amendment 15**  
**Proposal for a regulation**  
**Article 8 – paragraph 4**

*Text proposed by the Commission*

*Amendment*

4. The Commission is empowered to adopt delegated acts in accordance with Article 20 to amend Annex ***I and Annex II***.

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Or. en

*Justification*

*The amendment of Annex I should be part of the co-decision procedure.*

**Amendment 16**  
**Proposal for a regulation**  
**Article 9 a (new)**

*Text proposed by the Commission*

*Amendment*

***Article 9a***

***Suspension of payments in relation to performance monitoring***

***1. Where, in accordance with Article 4(5) of this Regulation, the Commission asks***

*the Member State concerned to submit an action plan, that Member State shall establish such an action plan in consultation with the Commission. The action plan shall include the intended remedial actions and clear progress indicators together with the timeframe during which the progress has to be achieved. That timeframe may extend beyond one financial year. The Member State concerned shall respond within a period of two months of the Commission's request for an action plan. Within a period of two months of receipt of the action plan from the Member State concerned, the Commission shall, where appropriate, inform that Member State in writing of its objections to the action plan submitted and request its modification. The Member State concerned shall comply with the action plan, as accepted by the Commission, and comply with the expected timeframe for its execution. The Commission shall adopt implementing acts laying down further rules on the structure of the action plans and the procedure for setting up the action plans.*

*2. If the Member State fails to submit or to implement the action plan referred to in paragraph 1 of this Article, or if that action plan is manifestly insufficient to remedy the situation, or if it has not been modified in accordance with the written request of the Commission referred to in that paragraph, the Commission may adopt implementing acts suspending the monthly payments referred to in Article 6 of the proposal for a regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council establishing the conditions for the implementation of the Union support to the Common Agriculture Policy for the period from 2028 to 2034 (COM(2025)560). Such suspension of payments shall be applied in accordance with the principle of proportionality to the relevant expenditure related to the interventions which were to be covered by*

*that action plan. The Commission shall reimburse the suspended amounts when, on the basis of the voluntary notification made during the financial year by the Member State concerned on the advancement of the action plan and of the corrective action taken to remedy the shortfall, satisfactory progress towards targets is achieved. If the situation is not remedied by the end of the 12th month following the suspension of payments, the Commission may adopt an implementing act definitively reducing the amount suspended for the Member State concerned. Before adopting such implementing acts, the Commission shall inform the Member State concerned of its intention and shall ask it to respond within a period which shall not be less than 30 days.*

*3. The Commission is empowered to adopt delegated acts in accordance with Article 20 to supplement this Regulation with rules on the rate and duration of suspension of payments and the condition for reimbursing or reducing those amounts with regard to the multi-annual performance monitoring.*

Or. en

#### *Justification*

*This new article gives the European Commission the possibility to further pursue remedial actions by Member States, which do not meet the expected progress.*

#### **Amendment 17** **Proposal for a regulation** **Article 10 – paragraph 1**

##### *Text proposed by the Commission*

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added value of each programme or activity. In relation to the common agricultural policy, such evaluations shall also cover measures implemented in accordance with Regulation (EU) No 1308/2013.<sup>19</sup>

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Or. en

### *Justification*

*Against the background of the introduction of NRP plans, it is essential to ensure a level playing field at all levels.*

## **Amendment 18**

### **Proposal for a regulation**

#### **Article 10 – paragraph 2**

#### *Text proposed by the Commission*

2. The Commission shall publish an implementation report for each programme or activity no later than **four** years after the start of its implementation.

#### *Amendment*

2. The Commission shall publish an implementation report for each programme or activity no later than **two** years after the start of its implementation. ***The implementation reports shall provide a summary of the progress achieved in meeting the objectives, based on both quantitative and qualitative performance evidence, including impact indicators, and, where relevant, include proposals for adjustments.***

Or. en

### *Justification*

*The implementation report of the polices should be published all two years to closer track achievements and progress made towards the objectives.*

**Amendment 19**  
**Proposal for a regulation**  
**Article 11 – paragraph 1**

*Text proposed by the Commission*

1. For Union budget implemented under shared management, Member States shall carry out evaluations related to criteria such as effectiveness, efficiency, relevance and coherence, with the aim of improving the quality of the design and implementation of the measures and to identify bottlenecks and ways to speed up their implementation. Evaluations *may* also cover other relevant criteria, such as inclusiveness, visibility *and* European added value.

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Or. en

*Justification*

*Inclusiveness, visibility, European added value as well as maintaining a level playing field shall always be part of the Member States evaluations.*

**Amendment 20**  
**Proposal for a regulation**  
**Article 12 – paragraph 1 – point b – point i (new)**

*Text proposed by the Commission*

*Amendment*

*(i) this information shall be also collected cross-border, in a way that ensures interoperability;*

Or. en

**Amendment 21**  
**Proposal for a regulation**  
**Article 12 – paragraph 1 – point b – point ii (new)**

*Text proposed by the Commission*

*Amendment*

*(ii) and, in the case of CAP subsidies, shall contain information, provided by the leaseholder, on the natural or legal*

***person or persons who own the land  
parcel for which CAP subsidies are paid;***

Or. en

*Justification*

*Data on farmland concentration shows that access to land is the biggest stumbling block for new entrants. In addition to that, it often remains unclear who owns agricultural land, especially in cross-border situations, and who receives at least part of the CAP subsidies in form of lease payments from the active farmer.*

**Amendment 22**

**Proposal for a regulation**

**Article 14 – paragraph 2 – point b a (new)**

*Text proposed by the Commission*

*Amendment*

***(ba) the impact indicators as provided  
under Annex I.***

Or. en

*Justification*

*Member States should include in their plans reporting on impact indicators.*

**Amendment 23**

**Proposal for a regulation**

**Article 20 – paragraph 2**

*Text proposed by the Commission*

*Amendment*

2. The power to adopt delegated acts referred to in Articles 4, 7, 8, 12 and 18 shall be conferred on the Commission for an indeterminate period of time from [...].

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Or. en

*Justification*

*The guidance for implementing the “Do No Significant Harm” principle will serve as a key instrument for clarifying the conditions under which compliance or non-compliance is determined. The European Parliament should therefore be granted the right of scrutiny in this regard.*

**Amendment 24**  
**Proposal for a regulation**  
**Article 20 – paragraph 3**

*Text proposed by the Commission*

3. The delegations of power referred to in Articles 4, 7, 8, 12 and 18 may be revoked at any time by the European Parliament or by the Council. A decision to revoke shall put an end to the delegation of the power specified in that decision. It shall take effect on the day following the publication of the decision in the Official Journal of the European Union or at a later date specified therein. It shall not affect the validity of any delegated acts already in force.

*Amendment*

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Or. en

*Justification*

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**Amendment 25**  
**Proposal for a regulation**  
**Article 20 – paragraph 6**

*Text proposed by the Commission*

6. A delegated act adopted pursuant to Articles 7, 8, 12 and 18 shall enter into force only if no objection has been expressed either by the European Parliament or by the Council within a period of one month of notification of that act to the European Parliament and the Council or if, before the expiry of that period, the European Parliament and the Council have both informed the Commission that they will not object. That period shall be extended by one month at the initiative of the European Parliament or of the Council.

*Amendment*

6. A delegated act adopted pursuant to Articles **5**, 7, 8, 12 and 18 shall enter into force only if no objection has been expressed either by the European Parliament or by the Council within a period of one month of notification of that act to the European Parliament and the Council or if, before the expiry of that period, the European Parliament and the Council have both informed the Commission that they will not object. That period shall be extended by one month at the initiative of the European Parliament or of the Council.

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**Amendment 26**  
**Proposal for a regulation**  
**Annex I – table 1 – row 12**

*Text proposed by the Commission*

| Policy area (level 1)     | Policy area (level 2) | #  | Intervention field   | CC M  | CC A  | EN V  | SOC | Output indicator  | Result indicator   |
|---------------------------|-----------------------|----|--|-------|-------|-------|-----|---|--|
| Agriculture and fisheries | Agriculture           | 12 | Support for environment and climate practices, including climate resilience measures | 100 % | 100 % | 100 % | 0%  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Hectares;</li> <li>• Number of livestock units;</li> <li>• Number of beehives;</li> <li>• Number of operations;</li> <li>• Number of smallholders in third countries;</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• GHG emissions avoided and removals in tCO<sub>2</sub>e;</li> <li>• Ammonia emissions reduction;</li> <li>• Increase or protection of soil organic content;</li> <li>• Share of agricultural area supported for organic farming, by category: conversion or maintenance;</li> <li>• Share of agricultural area supported to provide environmental-climate benefits to: water quality, water quantity, biodiversity, nutrient management, pesticides reduction, climate adaptation;</li> <li>• Share of beehives supported;</li> <li>• Share of forest land under supported forest-environmental and climate voluntary commitments;</li> <li>• Share of farms enhancing digitalisation and use of digital tools;</li> <li>• Value of assets and / or Population benefitting from climate resilience measures</li> </ul> |

*Amendment*

| Policy area (level 1)     | Policy area (level 2) | #  | Intervention field   | CCM  | CCA  | ENV  | SOC | Output indicator  | Result indicator   | Impact indicator   |
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| Agriculture and fisheries | Agriculture           | 12 | Support for environment and climate practices, including climate resilience measures | 100% | 100% | 100% | 0%  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Hectares;</li> <li>• Number of livestock units;</li> <li>• Number of beehives;</li> <li>• Number of operations;</li> <li>• Number of smallholders in third countries;</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• GHG emissions avoided and removals in tCO<sub>2</sub>e;</li> <li>• Ammonia emissions reduction;</li> <li>• Increase or protection of soil organic content;</li> <li>• Share of agricultural area supported for organic farming, by category: conversion or maintenance;</li> <li>• Share of agricultural area supported to provide environmental-climate benefits to: water quality, water quantity, biodiversity, nutrient management, pesticides reduction, climate adaptation;</li> <li>• Share of beehives supported;</li> <li>• Share of forest land under supported forest-environmental and climate voluntary commitments;</li> <li>• Share of farms enhancing digitalisation and use of digital tools;</li> </ul> | <p><b>I.1 Increasing farmland bird populations: Farmland Bird Index</b></p> <p><b>I. 2 Increase of Farmland Pollinator Indicator</b></p> <p><b>I.3 Share of agricultural land with high-diversity landscape features</b></p> <p><b>I.4 Improving the resilience of agriculture to climate change: Agricultural sector resilience progress indicator</b></p> <p><b>I.5 Contributing to climate change mitigation: Greenhouse gas emissions from agriculture</b></p> <p><b>I.6 Enhancing carbon sequestration: Soil organic carbon in agricultural land</b></p> <p><b>I.7 Increasing sustainable energy in agriculture: Sustainable production of renewable energy from agriculture and forestry (?)</b></p> <p><b>I.8 Enhancing biodiversity protection: Percentage of species and habitats of Community interest related to agriculture with stable or increasing trends, with a</b></p> |

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**Amendment 27**  
**Proposal for a regulation**  
**Annex I – table 1 – row 26**

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| Policy area (level 1)     | Policy area (level 2) | #  | Intervention field                          | CCM | CCA | ENV | SOC | Output indicator   | Result indicator |
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| Agriculture and fisheries | Agriculture           | 26 | Enhance access to innovation in agriculture | 40% | 40% | 40% | 0%  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Number of preparatory projects;</li> <li>• Number of implemented projects;</li> <li>• Number of smallholders in third countries;</li> </ul> |                  |

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| Agriculture and fisheries | Agriculture           | 26 | Enhance access to innovation in agriculture | <b>50%</b> | <b>50%</b> | <b>50%</b> | 0%  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Number of preparatory projects;</li> <li>• Number of implemented projects;</li> <li>• Number of smallholders in third countries;</li> </ul> |                  | <b>I.15 Sharing knowledge and innovation: Share of CAP budget for knowledge sharing and innovation</b> |

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**Amendment 28**  
**Proposal for a regulation**  
**Annex I – table 1 – row 40 a (new)**

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| Agriculture and fisheries | Agriculture | 40 a | Promote employment, growth, gender equality, including the participation of women in farming, social inclusion and local development in rural areas | 0% | 0% | 0% | 100% |  |  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• I.16 Contributing to jobs in rural areas: Evolution of the employment rate in rural areas, including a gender breakdown</li> <li>• I.17 Contributing to growth in rural areas: Evolution of gross domestic product (GDP) per capita in rural areas</li> <li>• I.18 A fairer CAP: Distribution of CAP support</li> <li>• I.19 Promoting rural inclusion: Evolution of poverty index in rural areas</li> </ul> |
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**Amendment 29**  
**Proposal for a regulation**  
**Annex I – table 1 – row 40 b (new)**

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| Agriculture and       | Agriculture           | 40 b | To improve the farmers' | 0%  | 0%  | 0%  | 100% |                  |                  | • I.20 Improving farmers' position in the food chain: |

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| fisheries |  |  | position in the value chain |  |  |  |  |  |  | Value added for primary producers in the food chain |
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**Amendment 30**  
**Proposal for a regulation**  
**Annex I – table 1 – row 40 c (new)**

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| Agriculture and fisheries | Agriculture           | 40 c | To improve the response of Union agriculture to societal demands on food and health, including high-quality, safe and nutritious food | 0%  | 0%  | 50% | 0%  |                  |                  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• I.21 Limiting antimicrobial use in farmed animals: Sales/use of antimicrobials for food-producing animals</li> <li>• I.22 Responding to consumer demand for quality food: Value of production under Union quality schemes and of organic production</li> </ul> |

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**Amendment 31**  
**Proposal for a regulation**  
**Annex I – table 1 – row 40 d (new)**

*Text proposed by the Commission*

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| <b>Agriculture and fisheries</b> | <b>Agriculture</b>    | <b>40 d</b> | <b>Enhance market orientation and increase farm competitiveness both in the short and long term</b> | <b>0%</b> | <b>0%</b> | <b>0%</b> | <b>0%</b> |                  |                  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>I.23 Increasing farm productivity: Total factor productivity in agriculture</b></li> <li>• <b>I.24 Harnessing agri-food trade: Agri-food imports and exports</b></li> </ul> |

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**Amendment 32**  
**Proposal for a regulation**  
**Annex I – table 1 – row 40 e (new)**

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| <b>Agriculture and</b> | <b>Agriculture</b>    | <b>40 e</b> | <b>Support viable farm income</b> | <b>0%</b> | <b>0%</b> | <b>0%</b> | <b>50%</b> |                  |                  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>I.25 Reducing income disparities: Evolution of</b></li> </ul> |

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| fisheries |  |  | and resilience of the agricultural sector across the Union in order to enhance long-term food security and agricultural diversity |  |  |  |  |  |  | <p>agricultural income compared to the general economy</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• I.26 Reducing farm income variability: Evolution of agricultural income</li> <li>• I.27 Supporting viable farm income: Evolution of agricultural income level by type of farming (compared to the average in agriculture)</li> <li>• I.28 Contributing to territorial balance: Evolution of agricultural income in areas with natural constraints (compared to the average)</li> </ul> |
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**Amendment 33**  
**Proposal for a regulation**  
**Annex I – table 1 – row 40 f (new)**

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| <b>Agriculture and fisheries</b> | <b>Agriculture</b> | <b>40 f</b> | <b>Access to farmland</b> | <b>0%</b> | <b>0%</b> | <b>0%</b> | <b>50%</b> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Number of farmers;</b></li> <li>• <b>Number of new young farmers and other new entrants in agriculture</b></li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Hectares under farmers' ownership</b></li> <li>• <b>Hectares under lease</b></li> </ul> |
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