



***Impact indicators for the CAP 2020, follow up of
comments from the Member States***

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Member States comments

- *Around 100 comments/remarks/ suggestions for improvements were received*
- *Last comments received on 12 December 2012*
- *Careful analysis will be undertaken, involves also discussions with other units in DG AGRI and other DGs*
- *Comments on impact indicators will be treated in the February meeting of the Expert group on "Monitoring and evaluating the CAP"*

First observations on comments

Different types of comments :

- *Requests for clarification*
- *Questions related to the interpretation of the indicators*
- *Questions related to the limitations of the indicator/proposal for improvements or changes to the indicator*

Requests for clarification:

Evidently, we will provide this information:

→ Calculation of agricultural productivity

Questions related to interpretation of the indicators (I)

- *Not the value an indicator takes as such that is important, it needs interpretation and context*
- *Sometimes it is not the value of a single indicator, but the value of several indicators taken together that are important*
→e.g. *entrepreneurial and factor income*

Questions related to interpretation of the indicators (II)

- *Indicators cover the whole EU, evidently some indicators are less relevant for some Member States*
 - e.g. *Water use for irrigation*

Questions related to the limitations of indicators/suggestions for improvements or new indicators(I)

- *We will study this carefully, we might come back to you for additional information, inviting you to fill out a template, e.g. on data sources (for the EU as a whole), calculation method, caveats
→e.g. measuring rural poverty not on the basis of income, but on expenditure*

Questions related to the limitations of indicators/suggestions for improvements or new indicators(I)

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 - *Calculate price volatility at different stages of the food chain*
 - *Trade balance also in volumes*
 - *Adding new commodities for calculation of price volatility*

Questions related to the limitations of indicators/suggestions for improvements or new indicators(II)

- *Evidently, some indicators still have limitations, further evolution needed*
 - *Erosion information: no EU wide information on wind erosion available*
 - *Water abstraction in agriculture*
 - *Information on soil quality*
 - *HNV farming*



Thanks for your attention !