

COMMISSION IMPLEMENTING REGULATION (EU) 2022/1475**of 6 September 2022****laying down detailed rules for implementation of Regulation (EU) 2021/2115 of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards the evaluation of the CAP Strategic Plans and the provision of information for monitoring and evaluation**

THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union,

Having regard to Regulation (EU) 2021/2115 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 2 December 2021 establishing rules on support for strategic plans to be drawn up by Member States under the common agricultural policy (CAP Strategic Plans) and financed by the European Agricultural Guarantee Fund (EAGF) and by the European Agricultural Fund for Rural Development (EAFRD) and repealing Regulations (EU) No 1305/2013 and (EU) No 1307/2013 ⁽¹⁾, and in particular Article 133 and Article 143(4) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) Regulation (EU) 2021/2115 lays down a new legal framework for the common agricultural policy (CAP) to improve its delivery on the Union objectives set out in the Treaty. That Regulation further specifies these Union objectives to be achieved by the CAP and defines the types of intervention as well as the common Union requirements applicable to Member States, while leaving flexibility for Member States in the design of the interventions to be provided in their CAP Strategic Plans.
- (2) Article 128 of Regulation (EU) 2021/2115 provides that a performance framework is to be established to allow reporting, monitoring and evaluation of the CAP Strategic Plans.
- (3) As part of the performance framework, pursuant to Article 140 of Regulation (EU) 2021/2115 Member States are to assess during implementation and *ex post* their CAP Strategic Plans and to draw up an evaluation plan. For that purpose, clear and common rules on assessing the CAP Strategic Plans and on the content of the evaluation plans need to be laid down. In addition, technical support for Member States and the relevant stakeholders should be provided.
- (4) Pursuant to Articles 124(3), point (d), and 124(4), point (c), of Regulation (EU) 2021/2115, the monitoring committee is to examine the progress made in carrying out the evaluations, syntheses of evaluations and any follow-up given to findings as well as it is to give its opinion to the evaluation plan and the amendments thereof. It is appropriate to establish that the Member States share the information on evaluation activities and findings, including the results of the examination of the monitoring committee, with the Commission, as the communication of this information is necessary in order to enable the Commission to perform the monitoring and evaluation of the CAP referred to in Article 141 of that Regulation.
- (5) Pursuant to Article 131 and Article 140(3) of Regulation (EU) 2021/2115, Member States are to ensure data availability for monitoring and evaluation. To that end some common rules need to be laid down.
- (6) Pursuant to Article 143 of Regulation (EU) 2021/2115, Member States are to provide the Commission with the available information necessary to enable it to perform the monitoring and evaluation of the CAP. In particular, this information will enable the Commission to monitor the implementation of standards of good agricultural and environmental conditions of land (GAEC standards) as laid down in Annex III to that Regulation, of interventions in certain sectors referred to in Title III, Chapter III, of that Regulation, and Local Action Groups (LAGs) and their

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 435, 6.12.2021, p. 1.

activities for LEADER as defined in Article 3, point (15), of that Regulation. It will further enable the Commission to carry out evaluations of the CAP Strategic Plans. For data on European Innovation Partnership for agricultural productivity and sustainability (EIP) operational groups referred to in Article 127(3) of that Regulation, the collected information will enhance networking between project promoters and the dissemination of findings. For that purpose, clear and common rules on the information to be sent by Member States need to be laid down.

- (7) Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2021/2290 ⁽²⁾ lays down rules on the methods for the calculation of the common output and result indicators set out in Annex I to Regulation (EU) 2021/2115. These rules should be taken into account for the reporting of the disaggregated data by intervention referred to in this Regulation.
- (8) Since Member States need to have rules on the information to be sent to the Commission in order to develop the appropriate IT tools and set up the data collection systems before the implementation of the CAP Strategic Plans starts on 1 January 2023, this Regulation should enter into force on the day following that of its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Union*.
- (9) The measures provided for in this Regulation are in accordance with the opinion of the Common Agricultural Policy Committee,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

TITLE I

EVALUATION OF CAP STRATEGIC PLANS

Article 1

Assessment of evaluation criteria

1. When evaluating their CAP Strategic Plans, Member States shall define evaluation questions and factors of success to assess the evaluation criteria of effectiveness, efficiency, relevance, coherence and Union added value referred to in Article 140(1) of Regulation (EU) 2021/2115.
2. When assessing the effectiveness of their CAP Strategic Plans, Member States shall use the key evaluation elements set out in Annex I to this Regulation in accordance with the CAP Strategic Plans' intervention logic and, where relevant for their CAP Strategic Plans, the recommended factors of success set out in that Annex.
3. When assessing the efficiency of their CAP Strategic Plans, Member States shall analyse whether the effects or benefits of the CAP Strategic Plans were achieved at a reasonable cost and shall assess simplification both for beneficiaries and for the administration, with special focus on administrative costs and on the use of digital tools and satellites.

Article 2

Evaluations of CAP Strategic Plans during the implementation period

Member States shall carry out the evaluations of their CAP Strategic Plans during the implementing period referred to in Article 140(1) of Regulation (EU) 2021/2115 as follows:

⁽²⁾ Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2021/2290 of 21 December 2021 laying down rules on the methods for the calculation of the common output and result indicators set out in Annex I to Regulation (EU) 2021/2115 (OJ L 458, 22.12.2021, p. 486).

- (a) Member States shall plan the evaluations of the specific objectives referred to in Article 6(1) and (2) of Regulation (EU) 2021/2115 which are addressed in their CAP Strategic Plans, in accordance with the CAP Strategic Plan's intervention logic, by objective or by comprehensive evaluations covering several objectives, or provide a justification of why a specific objective has not been evaluated during the implementing period;
- (b) Member States shall assess their CAP Strategic Plans using the relevant evaluation criteria and assess the impacts of their CAP Strategic Plans taking into account the scope, the type and the uptake of the CAP Strategic Plan's interventions;
- (c) where relevant, Member States shall take into account the territorial scope of interventions, particularly for those interventions not implemented at national level, but at regional or local level;
- (d) where relevant, based on Member States' evaluation needs and taking into account the CAP Strategic Plan's intervention logic and implementation, Member States shall assess also specific interventions or topics of the CAP Strategic Plans, such as the environmental and climate architecture referred to in Article 109(2), point (a), of Regulation (EU) 2021/2115, added value of LEADER as defined in Article 3, point (15), of that Regulation, CAP networks referred to in Article 126 of that Regulation or the Agricultural Knowledge and Innovation System (AKIS) defined in Article 3, point (9), of that Regulation;
- (e) Member States shall carry out evaluations in time to be able to prepare the subsequent CAP Strategic Plan's period. Where relevant, Member States shall use also data of the previous programming period.

Article 3

Ex post evaluations of CAP Strategic Plans

1. *Ex post* evaluations referred to in Article 140(6) of Regulation (EU) 2021/2115 shall contain a comprehensive assessment of the CAP Strategic Plans and their implementation.
2. *Ex post* evaluations shall include the assessment of the CAP Strategic Plans and their implementation based on each of the evaluation criteria of effectiveness, efficiency, relevance, coherence and Union added value and impact referred to in Article 140(1) of Regulation (EU) 2021/2115 in relation to the CAP Strategic Plan's contribution to achieving the general objectives set out in Article 5 of that Regulation and those specific objectives set out in Article 6(1) and (2) of that Regulation which are addressed by the CAP Strategic Plan.
3. After completing the *ex post* evaluation, Member States shall report the evaluation findings to the Commission.

Article 4

Evaluation plan

1. Member States shall draft an evaluation plan referred to in Article 140(4) of Regulation (EU) 2021/2115 in accordance with the CAP Strategic Plan's intervention logic. The evaluation plan shall comply with the minimum requirements set out in Annex II to this Regulation.
2. Member States shall identify in the evaluation plan relevant stakeholders to be taken into account when planning evaluation and capacity building activities. Where relevant, Member States shall identify stakeholders other than the monitoring committee's members.

*Article 5***Reporting evaluation activities and findings**

Member States shall share the information on evaluation activities and findings referred to in Articles 124(3), point (d), and 124(4), point (c), of Regulation (EU) 2021/2115 with the Commission after the examination by the monitoring committee, including the result of that examination, no later than one month before the annual review meeting referred to in Article 136 of that Regulation.

*Article 6***Assessment of the contribution of CAP Strategic Plans**

1. Evaluations of CAP Strategic Plans shall be based on the relevant common output, result, impact and context indicators set out in Annex I to Regulation (EU) 2021/2115. Member States shall analyse the effects of the CAP Strategic Plans on specific objectives referred to in Article 6(1) and (2) of that Regulation.
2. In addition, Member States may use in their evaluations specific indicators other than those set out in Annex I to Regulation (EU) 2021/2115 or any other relevant quantitative and qualitative information to drawing relevant conclusions on the impact of the CAP Strategic Plans.
3. Where common result indicators are expressed in terms of a share or a number of relevant units subject to certain interventions, Member States shall estimate the outcomes of the CAP Strategic Plans using the potential effects of these interventions.
4. When assessing an intervention not linked to any result indicator in accordance with Article 111, second paragraph, of Regulation (EU) 2021/2115, Member States shall provide a sound assessment of this intervention based on relevant information on the intervention outcomes and its effects with regard to the specific objectives referred to in Article 6(1) and (2) of that Regulation.
5. Member States shall base their assessment of the contribution of the CAP Strategic Plans on the development of the impact indicators set out in Annex I to Regulation (EU) 2021/2115. Member States shall quantify the contribution of the CAP Strategic Plans to the development of at least the common impact indicators set out in Annex III to this Regulation.

*Article 7***Data and technical support for evaluations**

1. Member States shall ensure the availability of data for evaluators to fulfil their monitoring and evaluation related obligations.
2. Member States shall make the necessary arrangements with national and, where relevant, regional statistical units, research centres, undertakings and data providers to ensure data availability. Such arrangements shall take into account the territorial scope relevant for the evaluations and include the statistical use of data from administrative registers referred to in Article 143(3) of Regulation (EU) 2021/2115.
3. Member States shall identify the needs for support of the stakeholders and administrations involved in the implementation and evaluation of the CAP Strategic Plans at national, regional and local level, including the LAGs referred to in Article 33 of Regulation (EU) 2021/1060 of the European Parliament and of the Council ^(³), taking into account the diverse capacity of institutions and stakeholders in terms of monitoring and evaluation.

⁽³⁾ Regulation (EU) 2021/1060 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 24 June 2021 laying down common provisions on the European Regional Development Fund, the European Social Fund Plus, the Cohesion Fund, the Just Transition Fund and the European Maritime, Fisheries and Aquaculture Fund and financial rules for those and for the Asylum, Migration and Integration Fund, the Internal Security Fund and the Instrument for Financial Support for Border Management and Visa Policy (OJ L 231, 30.6.2021, p. 159).

4. Based on the needs identified, Member States shall set up support activities, including training, guidelines and any other relevant capacity building activities, to be implemented by or in collaboration with the national CAP network(s) referred to in Article 126(1) of Regulation (EU) 2021/2115.

5. The Commission shall establish an annual work programme with competent Member States' authorities, evaluators and other stakeholders, based on their needs for support, to be implemented by or in collaboration with the European CAP network referred to in Article 126(2) of Regulation (EU) 2021/2115.

TITLE II

DATA FOR PERFORMING THE MONITORING AND EVALUATION OF CAP STRATEGIC PLANS

Article 8

Scope of the data to be provided by Member States

In accordance with Articles 9 to 18, Member States shall report to the Commission the following information, necessary to enable it to perform the monitoring and evaluation of the CAP:

- (a) disaggregated data on interventions and beneficiaries;
- (b) the ratio of permanent grassland established each year pursuant to Article 48(2) of Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2022/126 ⁽⁴⁾;
- (c) data on interventions in certain sectors, referred to in Title III, Chapter III, of Regulation (EU) 2021/2115;
- (d) data on EIP operational groups referred to in Article 127(3) of Regulation (EU) 2021/2115;
- (e) data on LAGs and their activities for LEADER as defined in Article 3, point (15), of Regulation (EU) 2021/2115.

Article 9

Disaggregated data on interventions

1. The disaggregated data on interventions referred to in Article 8, point (a), of this Regulation shall cover all interventions in the form of direct payments referred to in Title III, Chapter II, of Regulation (EU) 2021/2115, including the crop-specific payment for cotton referred to in that Chapter, Section 3, Subsection 2, and all interventions for rural development referred to in Title III, Chapter IV, of that Regulation, excluding interventions for LEADER referred to in Article 8, point (e), of this Regulation.

2. Member States shall report the disaggregated data referred to in paragraph 1 per agricultural financial year by unit amount, for each aid application or payment claim of each beneficiary. All the transactions carried out throughout the agricultural financial year shall be summed up.

3. Detailed rules on the content of disaggregated data on interventions are laid down in Annex IV, points 1, 2 and 3.

⁽⁴⁾ Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2022/126 of 7 December 2021 supplementing Regulation (EU) 2021/2115 of the European Parliament and of the Council with additional requirements for certain types of intervention specified by Member States in their CAP Strategic Plans for the period 2023 to 2027 under that Regulation as well as rules on the ratio for the good agricultural and environmental condition (GAEC) standard 1 (OJ L 20, 31.1.2022, p. 52).

*Article 10***Disaggregated data on beneficiaries**

1. The disaggregated data on beneficiaries referred to in Article 8, point (a), of this Regulation shall include information on farmers within the meaning of Article 3, point (1), of Regulation (EU) 2021/2115 and beneficiaries within the meaning of Article 3, point (13) of that Regulation receiving support under interventions covered by the integrated administration and control system referred to in Article 65(1) of Regulation (EU) 2021/2116 of the European Parliament and of the Council ^(⁹) (the 'integrated system').
2. Member States shall report the disaggregated data on beneficiaries per agricultural financial year.
3. Detailed rules on the content of disaggregated data on beneficiaries are laid down in Annex IV, point 4.

*Article 11***Ratio of permanent grassland**

The ratio of permanent grassland referred to in Article 8, point (b), of this Regulation shall be notified at the level established by the Member States in accordance with Article 48(2), second subparagraph, of Delegated Regulation (EU) 2022/126.

*Article 12***Data on interventions in certain sectors**

1. The data on interventions in certain sectors referred to in Article 8, point (c), of this Regulation shall include data on interventions in the sectors listed in Article 42 of Regulation (EU) 2021/2115.
2. Detailed rules on the content of the data on interventions in those sectors are laid down in Annex V.

*Article 13***Data on EIP operational groups**

1. The data on EIP operational groups referred to in Article 8, point (d), of this Regulation shall include information on projects of EIP operational groups referred to in Article 127(3) of Regulation (EU) 2021/2115.
2. Detailed rules on the content of data on EIP operational groups are laid down in Annex VI.

*Article 14***Data on LAGs and their activities for LEADER**

1. The data on LAGs and their activities for LEADER referred to in Article 8, point (e), of this Regulation shall include information on interventions implemented based on Article 77(1), point (b), of Regulation (EU) 2021/2115.
2. Detailed rules on the content of data on LAGs and their activities for LEADER are laid down in Annex VII.

⁽⁹⁾ Regulation (EU) 2021/2116 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 2 December 2021 on the financing, management and monitoring of the common agricultural policy and repealing Regulation (EU) No 1306/2013 (OJ L 435, 6.12.2021, p. 187).

*Article 15***Date and frequency of data transmission**

1. From the reporting year 2025 on, Member States shall report the disaggregated data on interventions and beneficiaries referred to in Article 8, point (a), annually by 30 April of the year N in relation to interventions for which payments have been made in the agricultural financial year N-1.

In 2024, Member States may report the disaggregated data on interventions by 30 November 2024 in relation to interventions paid in the agricultural financial year 2023. If Member States do not report the disaggregated data on interventions in 2024, they shall report them in 2025 in accordance with the first subparagraph of this paragraph.

By way of derogation from the first subparagraph of this paragraph, the data on beneficiaries related to area declared and to the land in good agricultural and environmental conditions shall be reported, in the year N, in relation to interventions for which payments have been claimed in the calendar year N-2.

2. Member States shall report annually the ratio of permanent grassland referred to in Article 8, point (b), by 15 March of the year N in relation to area declared in the calendar year N-1. The first year of reporting shall be 2024.

3. Member States shall report annually the data on interventions in certain sectors referred to in Article 8, point (c), by:

- (a) 15 June of the year N in relation to data of the calendar year N-1 referred to in points 1, 2(a) and (c), and 3 to 7 of Annex V;
- (b) 31 January of the year N in relation to data of the calendar year N referred to in point 2(b) of Annex V;
- (c) 15 June of the year N in relation to data of the financial year N-1 referred to in points 8 to 10 of Annex V.

The first year of reporting shall be 2023 for data referred to in point 1 and 2(b) of Annex V, 2024 for data referred to in points 2(a) and (c), and 3 to 7 of that Annex and 2025 for data referred to in points 8 to 10 of that Annex.

By way of derogation from the first and second subparagraphs of this paragraph, for the apiculture sector, the following shall apply:

- (a) Member States shall report every 2 years the data referred to in points 5 and 6 of Annex V;
- (b) data referred to in point 5 of Annex V shall cover the calendar year preceding the year of reporting;
- (c) data referred to in point 6 of Annex V shall cover the two calendar years preceding the year of reporting;
- (d) the first year of reporting shall be 2023 for data referred to in points 4, 5 and 6 of Annex V and 2024 for point 9 of that Annex. In 2023, the data referred to in points 5 and 6 of Annex V may be reported by 15 September.

4. Member States shall report data on EIP operational groups referred to in Article 8, point (d), as soon as the operational group project is approved, starting from 2023.

5. Member States shall report data on LAGs and their activities for LEADER referred to in Article 8, point (e), as follows:

- (a) by 30 April 2026 in relation to operations paid in the financial years from 2023 to 2025, cumulatively; and
- (b) by 30 April 2030 in relation to operations paid in the financial years from 2023 to 2029, cumulatively.

By way of derogation from the first subparagraph of this paragraph, data related to LAG variables set out in Annex VII, point 1, shall be reported by 30 April of year N for the LAGs selected by 31 December of year N-1.

*Article 16***Data transfer**

1. The data referred to in Article 8, points (a), (b), (d) and (e), shall be transferred to the Commission by means of the electronic system for the secure exchange of information called 'SFC2021', for which the responsibilities of the Commission and the Member States are set out in Annex II to Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2021/2289 ⁽⁶⁾.

The data referred to in Article 8, point (c), shall be transferred to the Commission by means of the information-technology-based system made available by the Commission pursuant to Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2017/1185 ⁽⁷⁾.

2. For disaggregated data on interventions and beneficiaries to be communicated pursuant to Article 8, point (a), of this Regulation, the paying agency referred to in Article 9 of Regulation (EU) 2021/2116 or, where more than one paying agency is accredited in a Member State, the coordinating body referred to in Article 10 of that Regulation, shall transfer the data to the Commission.

3. For the ratio on permanent grassland the data to be communicated pursuant to Article 8, point (b), shall be transferred by the paying agency or coordinating body.

4. For data on interventions in certain sectors to be communicated pursuant to Article 8, point (c), data on EIP operational groups to be communicated pursuant to Article 8, point (d), and data on LAGs and their activities for LEADER to be communicated pursuant to Article 8, point (e), the data may be transferred by Member States or any entity(ies) authorised by the Member States.

*Article 17***Duly completed data**

Member States shall ensure that the data for monitoring and evaluation referred to in Article 8 are complete and self-consistent, as well as that their content is recorded and presented in accordance with the requirements set out in Annexes IV to VII. To that end Member States shall perform computer based checks.

*Article 18***Data checks and data correction**

1. Member States shall be responsible for corrections of clerical or obvious errors or of errors of purely editorial nature of the data referred to in Article 8.

2. Member States shall in case of submission of erroneous data or in case a problem occurred with the data transfer, immediately inform the Commission and correct the data.

3. Without prejudice to the checks carried out by Member States, the Commission may carry out checks with a view to verify whether Member States provided duly completed and self-consistent data. In case of submission of erroneous data, the Commission may request Member States to correct the data provided.

⁽⁶⁾ Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2021/2289 of 21 December 2021 laying down rules for the application of Regulation (EU) 2021/2115 of the European Parliament and of the Council on the presentation of the content of the CAP Strategic Plans and on the electronic system for the secure exchange of information (OJ L 458, 22.12.2021, p. 463).

⁽⁷⁾ Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2017/1185 of 20 April 2017 laying down rules for the application of Regulations (EU) No 1307/2013 and (EU) No 1308/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards notifications to the Commission of information and documents and amending and repealing several Commission Regulations (OJ L 171, 4.7.2017, p. 113).

*Article 19***Data use**

The Commission shall not divulge or use the personal data obtained pursuant to this Regulation for purposes other than fulfilling its responsibilities in the context of the performance framework pursuant to Title VII, Chapter I, of Regulation (EU) 2021/2115, and monitoring and evaluating the CAP pursuant to Article 143 of that Regulation.

TITLE III

FINAL PROVISIONS*Article 20***Entry into force**

This Regulation shall enter into force on the day following that of its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Union*.

This Regulation shall be binding in its entirety and directly applicable in all Member States.

Done at Brussels, 6 September 2022.

For the Commission
The President
Ursula VON DER LEYEN

ANNEX I

**KEY EVALUATION ELEMENTS AND RECOMMENDED FACTORS OF SUCCESS REFERRED TO IN
ARTICLE 1(2)**

Objective	Key elements to assess	Recommended factors of success
<p><i>To support viable farm income and resilience of the agricultural sector across the Union in order to enhance long-term food security and agricultural diversity as well as to ensure the economic sustainability of agricultural production in the Union</i></p>	<p><u>Viable farm income</u> Viable farm income means not only stable income but also fairly distributed income.</p>	<p>Agricultural income level in farms supported is increasing or, at least, is stable and disparities between farms and to other economic sectors are decreasing, taking into account general economy trends.</p>
	<p><u>Resilience</u> Resilience encompasses supporting farmers facing potential risks and specific limitations which can force them to stop agricultural activity.</p>	<p>Income support is distributed to farmers most in need.</p>
<p><i>To enhance market orientation and increase farm competitiveness both in the short and long term, including greater focus on research, technology and digitalisation</i></p>	<p><u>Enhanced market orientation</u> Based on agri-food trade balance (import-export).</p>	<p>Agri-food trade is increasing.</p>
	<p><u>Farm competitiveness</u> Based on increased capital, labour and land productivity through innovation.</p>	<p>Productivity in farms supported is increasing.</p>
<p><i>To improve the farmers' position in the value chain</i></p>	<p><u>Farmer's position in the food chain</u> Integration of farmers within the food chain and participating in quality schemes and organic production to increase added value.</p>	<p>Share of marketed production by quality schemes and organic production is increasing. Share of marketed production by producer organisations (POs) and other forms of farmers organisations supported is increasing. Gross added value for farmers in POs and other forms of farmer organisations or participating in quality schemes and organic production is increasing.</p>
<p><i>To contribute to climate change mitigation and adaptation, including by reducing greenhouse gas emissions and enhancing carbon sequestration, as well as promote sustainable energy</i></p>	<p><u>Climate change mitigation</u> Based on greenhouse gas emissions (GHG) and carbon sequestration.</p>	<p>GHG emissions in agriculture are decreasing. Soil organic carbon sequestration is increasing or maintained. Renewal energy production capacity is increasing.</p>
	<p><u>Climate change adaptation</u> Based on the resilience of agriculture to climate change.</p>	<p>Resilience of agriculture to climate change is increasing.</p>
<p><i>To foster sustainable development and efficient management of natural resources such as water, soil and air, including by reducing chemical dependency</i></p>	<p><u>Efficient management of natural resources</u> Based on preserving or enhancing natural resources quality and quantity by reducing pollutants and exploitation.</p>	<p>Ammonia emissions in agriculture, nutrient leakage and soil erosion are decreasing. Nutrient balance on agricultural land is improving, thus reducing nutrient losses.</p>

Objective	Key elements to assess	Recommended factors of success
		<p>Pressure on natural water reservoirs is decreasing.</p> <p>The use and risk of chemical pesticides and the use of more hazardous pesticides is decreasing.</p>
<p><i>To contribute to halting and reversing biodiversity loss, enhance ecosystem services and preserve habitats and landscapes</i></p>	<p><u>Reversing biodiversity loss</u></p> <p>Based on biodiversity and habitats in agricultural land or other areas affected by agricultural or forestry practices.</p>	<p>Biodiversity related to agricultural land is improving or, at least, biodiversity loss is halted.</p> <p>Biodiversity in Natura 2000 areas affected by agriculture or forestry is improving or, at least, biodiversity loss is halted.</p> <p>Agro-biodiversity is increasing.</p>
	<p><u>Ecosystem services</u></p> <p>Based on landscape features that contribute to ecosystem services by hosting relevant species (e.g. through pollination, pest control), by biophysical processes (e.g. through erosion control, water quality maintenance), or by cultural values (e.g. aesthetic value).</p>	<p>Trends of pollinators are improving, or, at least, stable.</p> <p>The area covered by landscape features in agricultural land is increasing or maintained.</p>
<p><i>To attract and sustain young farmers and other new farmers and facilitate sustainable business development in rural areas</i></p>	<p><u>Farmers renewal</u></p> <p>Based on supporting young farmers and new farmers setting up and continuity.</p>	<p>Number of young and new farmers are increasing.</p>
	<p><u>Business development</u></p> <p>Based on supporting rural business start-ups and farm diversification.</p>	<p>Number of rural business are increasing.</p>
<p><i>To promote employment, growth, gender equality, including the participation of women in farming, social inclusion and local development in rural areas, including circular bio-economy and sustainable forestry</i></p>	<p><u>Rural sustainable economy</u></p> <p>Based on economic growth and promoting employment.</p>	<p>Rural areas' economy is growing or, at least, is stable and urban-rural gap is decreasing.</p> <p>Employment rate in rural areas is improving.</p> <p>Bio-economy related business are increasing.</p> <p>Sustainable forestry is increasing.</p>
	<p><u>Local development</u></p> <p>Provision of local services and infrastructure.</p>	<p>Local services and infrastructures are improving.</p>
	<p><u>Gender equality and social inclusion</u></p> <p>Promotion of participation of women in farming and the economy, income equity and poverty reduction.</p>	<p>Women employment and participation in farming is improving.</p> <p>CAP Strategic Plan support is more fairly distributed.</p> <p>Rural poverty is decreasing.</p>

Objective	Key elements to assess	Recommended factors of success
<p><i>To improve the response of Union agriculture to societal demands on food and health, including high quality, safe, and nutritious food produced in a sustainable way, the reduction of food waste, as well as improving animal welfare and combatting antimicrobial resistances</i></p>	<p><u>Quality and safety food</u> Based on fostering quality schemes, promoting animal welfare and combatting antimicrobial resistance.</p>	<p>Value of production marketed under quality schemes is increasing. Animal welfare is improving and antimicrobial use is decreasing.</p>
<p><i>Modernising the sector by fostering and sharing knowledge, innovation and digitalisation in agriculture and rural areas and by encouraging their uptake by farmers, through improved access to research, innovation, knowledge exchange and training</i></p>	<p><u>Agricultural Knowledge and Innovation system (AKIS) and digital strategy</u> Based on the support to AKIS strategic actions, the AKIS related interventions, and the digital strategy and their impact on innovation uptake by farmers.</p>	<p>An increasing number of farmers participate in training programmes and/or make use of farm advice. Farmers change farming practices after participating in training programmes and/or making use of farm advice. An increasing number of farmers are supported for digital farming technology through CAP Strategic Plan. CAP Strategic Plan's expenditure supporting creation of innovation and knowledge sharing is increasing.</p>

ANNEX II

MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS FOR THE STRUCTURE AND CONTENT OF THE EVALUATION PLAN REFERRED TO IN ARTICLE 4(1)

1. Objectives and needs

A statement of the objectives of the evaluation plan and evaluation related needs, aimed to ensure that sufficient and appropriate evaluation activities are undertaken, in particular to provide information needed for programme steering, to inform next policy programme period, and to ensure that data needed for CAP Strategic Plan evaluation are available.

2. Governance and coordination

Brief description of the monitoring and evaluation arrangements for the CAP Strategic Plan, identifying the main bodies involved and their responsibilities.

3. Stakeholder mapping

Brief description of the relevant stakeholders referred to in Article 4(2) and their needs related to evaluation activities and, where relevant, capacity building.

4. Timeline

Indicative planning of evaluations and evaluation support studies to be carried out during the programming cycle, as well as the reasoning for the choices made, including:

- (a) evaluations to assess the contribution of the CAP Strategic Plans to the CAP objectives, to be carried out during the implementation of the CAP Strategic Plan;
- (b) where relevant, the evaluations to assess specific topics referred to in Article 2, point (e);
- (c) support studies and other research and analytical activities for evaluations.

5. Data and information

Brief description of the arrangements referred to in Article 7(2) to ensure data availability for monitoring and evaluation, including the identification of main data sources to be used, institutional arrangements for data provision and data quality control arrangements. This section should also include identification of data gaps and actions to address them, including having data systems operational in time.

6. Communication and follow-up

Description of how evaluation findings will be disseminated to target recipients, including a description of the mechanisms established for the follow-up and the use of evaluation results.

7. Resources, technical support and capacity building

Description of the resources needed and foreseen to implement the evaluation plan, including an indication of the administrative capacity, data, financial resources and IT needs.

Description of the implementation of the programme support referred to in Article 7(3) and (4), including technical support and capacity building activities carried out to ensure that the evaluation plan can be fully implemented and planned support to LAGs for evaluating the Local Development Strategies.

ANNEX III

IMPACT INDICATORS REFERRED TO IN ARTICLE 6(5)

Indicator code ⁽¹⁾	Indicator name
I.2	Reducing income disparities: Evolution of agricultural income compared to the general economy
I.3	Reducing farm income variability: Evolution of agricultural income
I.4	Supporting viable farm income: Evolution of agricultural income level by type of farming (compared to the average in agriculture)
I.5	Contributing to territorial balance: Evolution of agricultural income in areas with natural constraints (compared to the average)
I.10	Contributing to climate change mitigation: Greenhouse gas emissions from agriculture
I.12	Increasing sustainable energy in agriculture: Sustainable production of renewable energy from agriculture and forestry
I.14	Improving air quality: Ammonia emissions from agriculture
I.15	Improving water quality: Gross nutrient balance on agricultural land
I.26	A fairer CAP: Distribution of CAP support

⁽¹⁾ Annex I to Regulation (EU) 2021/2115.

ANNEX IV

RULES ON DISAGGREGATED DATA ON INTERVENTIONS AND BENEFICIARIES REFERRED TO IN ARTICLES 9(3) AND 10(3)**Reporting of disaggregated data on interventions**

1. When reporting data for monitoring and evaluation on interventions referred to in Article 8, point (a), of this Regulation, Member States shall respect the calculation methods for output and result indicators laid down in Implementing Regulation (EU) 2021/2290 and the following:
 - (a) the value of the output generated by an intervention shall be reported under the relevant monitoring variables set out in point 2 of this Annex;
 - (b) the value of the output generated by an intervention shall also be reported under the result variables, set out in point 3 of this Annex, for the result indicators set out in Annex I to Regulation (EU) 2021/2115 selected by Member States in their CAP Strategic Plan ('relevant result indicators');
 - (c) the value of the output contributing to the calculation of the numerator of the result indicators shall be reported in full from the first payment (excluding advances referred to in Article 32(4), point (a), Article 32(5) and Article 44(3) of Regulation (EU) 2021/2116).
2. Member States shall provide the following list of monitoring variables, per intervention for each beneficiary, in accordance with the specific design of interventions and their intervention logic:
 - (a) monitoring variables to report administrative information (M010 to M040):
 - (i) M010: paying agency code

This field provides the unique code of the paying agency. It corresponds to the dedicated department or body of a Member State responsible for the management and control of expenditure from the European Agricultural Guarantee Fund (EAGF) and the European Agricultural Fund for Rural Development (EAFRD);
 - (ii) M020: unique code for aid application or payment claim for an intervention

This field provides a unique code per aid application for the interventions covered by the integrated system and payment claim for the other interventions;
 - (iii) M030: unique beneficiary identifier

This field provides a unique beneficiary identifier for all CAP beneficiaries, which is allocated to each applicant at Member State level. The unique beneficiary identifier shall not contain any personal information. The identifier remains unchanged over years;
 - (iv) M040: budget code

This field provides the 25 first digits of the budget code, which includes budget nomenclature, type of intervention, sector and subsector, output indicator, intervention, unit amount, reduction of payment or contribution rate, and calendar year;
 - (b) monitoring variables to report amounts spent (M050 to M070):
 - (i) M050: total amount paid (EU funds)

This field provides the total amount of EAGF or EAFRD support paid in euros for the claim, by unit amount;
 - (ii) M060: total public expenditure

This field provides the total amount of public support paid in euros for the claim, by unit amount including the national contribution and excluding the additional national financing referred to in Article 115(5) of Regulation (EU) 2021/2115 ('additional national financing');

(iii) M070: total additional national financing

This field provides the total amount of additional national financing paid in euros for the claim;

The amounts spent referred to in points (i), (ii) and (iii) shall be reported in euros before application of sanctions and penalties;

(c) monitoring variables to report the area eligible and determined (M080 to M095):

(i) M080: number of hectares of eligible area determined before application of limits, excluding forestry

This field provides the eligible area (excluding forestry) in full determined after controls and before application of payment entitlements or maximum thresholds;

(ii) M085: number of hectares of eligible forestry area determined before application of limits

This field provides the eligible forestry area in full determined after controls and before application of payment entitlements or maximum thresholds;

(iii) M090: number of hectares of eligible area excluding forestry

For interventions paid in hectares, this field provides the eligible area (excluding forestry) in full determined after controls and after application of payment entitlements or maximum thresholds.

For interventions on land paid in other units than hectares, where relevant, it provides the number of hectares (excluding forestry) supported by the interventions;

(iv) M095: number of hectares of eligible forestry area determined after application of limits

This field provides the eligible forestry area in full determined after controls and after application of payment entitlements or maximum thresholds.

For forestry interventions paid in other units than hectares, where relevant, it provides the number of hectares supported by the interventions;

The output values referred to in points (i) to (iv) shall always be reported in full. For the interventions covered by the integrated system, outputs shall be reported in full in year N in relation to interventions claimed in year N-2;

(d) monitoring variables to report units paid (M100 to M160):

(i) M100: number of hectares of eligible area paid

This field provides the area paid, independently from the nature of the area (i.e. forestry or not);

(ii) M110: number of animal heads paid

(iii) M120: number of livestock units paid

(iv) M130: number of operations paid

This field provides the number of operations as defined in Article 3, point (4), of Regulation (EU) 2021/2115 supported by the CAP. It covers the interventions paid per operation;

(v) M140: number of farms supported

This field provides the number of farms benefitting from relevant CAP support, when paid as a lump sum;

(vi) M150: number of mutual funds paid

This field provides information of the number of mutual funds as defined in Article 3, point (11), of Regulation (EU) 2021/2115 covered by risk management support referred to in Article 76 of that Regulation;

(vii) M160: number of other units paid – unit of measurement

(viii) M161: number of other units paid – output generated

Fields under points (vii) and (viii) provide information on the outputs generated by interventions which are based on other units of measurement, than those listed in points (i) to (vi). For each other unit paid, Member States shall report in two separated fields the unit of measurement (M160) and the output generated (M161);

The output values for the units paid after controls and after application of maximum thresholds referred to in points (i) to (viii) shall be reported as a proportion of the expenditure effectively paid in relation to the total expenditure committed for that output in the agricultural financial year concerned. In the agricultural financial year when the final payment is made, the output value corresponds to the balance;

(e) monitoring variables reporting whether a condition is fulfilled (M170 to M210):

(i) M170: investment resulting in a net increase of irrigated area

This field provides information on whether the intervention concerns an investment resulting in a net increase of the irrigated area (including investments in new irrigation installations or infrastructure, and the creation or expansion of a reservoir pursuant to Article 74(6) and (7) of Regulation (EU) 2021/2115;

(ii) M180: investment resulting in an improvement of existing irrigation installations

This field provides information on whether the intervention concerns the improvement of an existing irrigation installations or element of irrigation infrastructure pursuant to Article 74(4) of Regulation (EU) 2021/2115;

(iii) M190: investment in the use of reclaimed water

This field provides information on whether the intervention concerns an investment in the use of reclaimed water as an alternative water supply pursuant to Article 74(5) of Regulation (EU) 2021/2115;

(iv) M200: investment in broadband

This field provides information on whether the intervention aimed at improving access to broadband;

(v) M210: investment in bio-methane

This field provides information on whether the intervention concerns installed production capacity for bio-methane.

3. Member States shall provide the contribution of the output values to the numerator of the relevant result indicators set out in Annex I to Regulation (EU) 2021/2115, using the following result variables:

(a) result variables R001, R002, R003, R004, R005, R009, R010, R012, R013, R014, R015, R016, R017, R018, R019, R020, R021, R022, R023, R024, R025, R026, R027, R028, R029, R030, R031, R032, R033, R034, R035, R036, R037, R038, R039, R040, R041, R042, R043 and R044 corresponding respectively to result indicators R.1, R.2, R.3, R.4, R.5, R.9, R.10, R.12, R.13, R.14, R.15, R.16, R.17, R.18, R.19, R.20, R.21, R.22, R.23, R.24, R.25, R.26, R.27, R.28, R.29, R.30, R.31, R.32, R.33, R.34, R.35, R.36, R.37, R.38, R.39, R.40, R.41, R.42, R.43 and R.44.

These fields provide the value of the outputs generated in full by an operation for the calculation of the specific result indicators;

(b) for the result variable R017, contributing to result indicator R.17 (Afforested land), Member States shall report the breakdown for the calculation of the result indicator, as follows:

(i) R117: afforested area;

(ii) R217: restored area;

(iii) R317: agro-forestry area;

(iv) R417: planted wooded landscape features

Fields under points (i), (ii) and (iii), provide the area supported while this field provides the estimated area actually planted with wooded landscape features;

(c) for the result variable R043 contributing to result indicator R.43 (Limiting antimicrobial use), Member States shall report the breakdown for the calculation of the result indicator by species, as follows:

(i) R143: number of pigs livestock units;

(ii) R243: number of bovine livestock units;

(iii) R343: number of poultry livestock units;

- (iv) R443: number of sheep and goats livestock units;
- (v) R543: number of other livestock units;
- (d) for the result variable R044 contributing to result indicator R.44 (Improving animal welfare), Member States shall report the breakdown for the calculation of the result indicator by species, as follows:
 - (i) R144: number of pigs livestock units;
 - (ii) R244: number of bovine livestock units;
 - (iii) R344: number of poultry livestock units;
 - (iv) R444: number of sheep and goats livestock units;
 - (v) R544: number of other livestock units.

Reporting of data relating to beneficiaries

4. Member States shall provide the following beneficiary variables, in accordance with the specific design of interventions and their intervention logic:

(a) B010: unique beneficiary ID

This field provides the same unique beneficiary identifier used for the data on interventions in monitoring variable M030, referred to in point 2(a)(iii), of this Annex;

(b) B020: gender

This field provides information on the gender of the beneficiary.

In case the beneficiary is a group of natural persons, a legal person or a group of legal persons, the gender of the main manager(s) of the farm shall be reported. The main manager means the person who has the decision-making power in relation to the agricultural activities exercised on the farm and who bears benefits and financial risks related to those activities.

Member States may provide additional explanatory data on the share of management responsibilities exercised by gender category;

(c) B030: young farmer

This field provides information on whether the beneficiary is a young farmer, i.e. below the age limit set by Member States in their CAP Strategic Plans pursuant to Article 4(6) of Regulation (EU) 2021/2115.

Member States shall provide this information for all beneficiaries who are natural persons. For groups of natural persons or legal entities, the information shall be provided only for the beneficiaries granted support for generational renewal under Article 30, Article 75(2), point (a), and Article 77 of Regulation (EU) 2021/2115;

(d) B040: geographical location – municipality

This field provides the Local Administrative Unit code of the municipality where all or the majority of the area of the beneficiary is located or where the main building of the holding is located;

(e) B050: area with natural or other specific constraints

This field indicates whether the holding is located in an area with natural or other specific constraints as referred to in Article 71 of Regulation (EU) 2021/2115.

The holding shall be classified as located in an area with natural or other specific constraints when all or the majority of the area of the beneficiary or the main building of the holding are located in an area with natural or other specific constraints. Where a beneficiary is granted support under Article 71 of that Regulation, their holding shall be classified as located in an area with natural or other specific constraints;

(f) B060: nitrate vulnerable zone

This field indicates whether the holding is located in a nitrate vulnerable zone designated under Council Directive 91/676/EEC ⁽¹⁾. Holdings shall be classified as located in a nitrate vulnerable zone when all or the majority of the area of the beneficiary or the main building of the holding are located in a nitrate vulnerable zone;

⁽¹⁾ Council Directive 91/676/EEC of 12 December 1991 concerning the protection of waters against pollution caused by nitrates from agricultural sources (OJ L 375, 31.12.1991, p. 1).

- (g) B070: characteristics of farm's location in a river basin management plan

The field indicates whether the holding is located in an area included in a river basin management plan referred to in Article 72(3), point (c), of Regulation (EU) 2021/2115. Holdings are classified located in an area included in a river basin management plan when all or the majority of the area of the beneficiary or the main building of the holding are located in an area included in a river basin management plan;

- (h) B080: NATURA 2000 area

The field indicates whether the holding is located in Natura 2000 area as referred to in Article 72(3), point (a), of Regulation (EU) 2021/2115. Holdings are classified as located in Natura 2000 area when all or the majority of the area of the beneficiary or the main building of the holding are located in Natura 2000 area.

Member States may provide additional explanatory data on the share of the holding's area located in Natura 2000 area;

- (i) B090: organic farm

The field indicates whether the holding is farmed organically as laid down in Regulation (EU) 2018/848 the European Parliament and of the Council ^(*), partially farmed organically or not farmed organically.

The holding shall be classified as farmed organically when all or the majority of the area of the beneficiary (> 50 % of the total area) is farmed organically and partially farmed organically when only of a minority of the area of the beneficiary (< 50 % of the total area) is farmed organically;

- (j) B100: number of hectares of arable land declared

This field provides the total number of hectares of arable land as defined by Member States in their CAP Strategic Plans pursuant to Article 4(3), point (a), of Regulation (EU) 2021/2115;

- (k) B110: number of hectares of permanent grassland declared

This field provides the total number of hectares of permanent grassland area as defined by Member States in their CAP Strategic Plans pursuant to Article 4(3), point (c), of Regulation (EU) 2021/2115;

- (l) B120: number of hectares with permanent crops declared

This field provides the total number of hectares with permanent crops as defined by Member States in their CAP Strategic Plans pursuant to Article 4(3), point (b), of Regulation (EU) 2021/2115;

- (m) B130: number of hectares of other areas eligible for direct payments

This field provides the total number of hectares on which no agricultural activity is performed, but which is still eligible for direct payments pursuant to Article 4(4), point (c), of Regulation (EU) 2021/2115;

- (n) B141: GAEC 2 – number of hectares of wetland and peatlands – permanent grassland

This field provides the total number of hectares of permanent grassland in wetland and peatlands subject to GAEC 2 as laid down in Annex III to Regulation (EU) 2021/2115;

- (o) B142: GAEC 2 – number of hectares of wetland and peatlands – arable land

This field provides the total number of hectares of arable land in wetland and peatlands which are subject to GAEC 2;

- (p) B143: GAEC 2 – number of hectares of wetland and peatlands – permanent crops

This field provides the total number of hectares of permanent crops in wetland and peatlands which are subject to GAEC 2;

- (q) B150: GAEC 8 – number of hectares used to fulfil the minimum share of arable land devoted to non-productive areas and features

This field provides the total number of hectares, before possible weighting factors, used to fulfil the minimum share of arable land devoted to non-productive areas and features under GAEC 8 as laid down in Annex III to Regulation (EU) 2021/2115. Member States shall provide a breakdown of this beneficiary variable as follows:

^(*) Regulation (EU) 2018/848 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 30 May 2018 on organic production and labelling of organic products and repealing Council Regulation (EC) No 834/2007 (OJ L 150, 14.6.2018, p. 1).

- (i) B151: GAEC 8 – number of hectares of land laying fallow;
 - (ii) B152: GAEC 8 – number of hectares of hedgerows, individual or group of trees, trees rows;
 - (iii) B153: GAEC 8 – number of hectares of field margins, patches or buffer strips;
 - (iv) B154: GAEC 8 – number of hectares of ditches and streams;
 - (v) B155: GAEC 8 – number of hectares of small ponds and small wetlands;
 - (vi) B156: GAEC 8 – number of hectares of stonewalls;
 - (vii) B157: GAEC 8 – number of hectares of cairns;
 - (viii) B158: GAEC 8 – number of hectares of terraces;
 - (ix) B159: GAEC 8 – number of hectares of cultural features;
 - (x) B160: GAEC 8 – number of hectares of other non-productive areas and features;
 - (xi) B161: GAEC 8 – number of hectares of catch crops cultivated without the use of plant protection products;
 - (xii) B162: GAEC 8 – number of hectares of nitrogen fixing crops cultivated without the use of plant protection products;
- (r) B170: GAEC 9 – number of hectares subject to the ban on conversion or ploughing
- This field provides the number of hectares that are subject to the ban on converting or ploughing permanent grassland designated as environmentally sensitive permanent grassland in Natura 2000 sites under GAEC 9 as laid down in Annex III to Regulation (EU) 2021/2115. Member States shall provide the following information:
- (i) B171: GAEC 9 – number of hectares of permanent grassland in Natura 2000 sites;
 - (ii) B172: GAEC 9 – number of hectares of designated environmentally sensitive permanent grassland in Natura 2000 sites protected under GAEC 9 and declared by farmers;
- (s) B180: number of hectares of designated environmentally sensitive permanent grassland outside Natura 2000 sites, protected under the scope of the GAECs and declared by farmers, where applicable.
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ANNEX V

RULES ON DATA ON INTERVENTIONS IN CERTAIN SECTORS REFERRED TO IN ARTICLE 12(2)

Administrative information and information per sector

For interventions in certain sectors referred to in Title III, Chapter III, of Regulation (EU) 2021/2115, Member States shall report administrative information and information per sector by means of the following forms:

1. Form A.1.

This form concerns the fruit and vegetables sector, the apiculture sector, the wine sector, the hops sector, the olive oil and table olives sector, and the other sectors referred to in Article 42, points (a) to (f), of Regulation (EU) 2021/2115 respectively, for which Member States shall report annually the references (hyperlinks) to national legislation adopted by Member States in the preceding calendar year to implement sectoral interventions;

2. Form A.2.

This form concerns the fruit and vegetables sector, the hops sector, the olive oil and table olives sector, and the other sectors. Member States shall report annually the following market information:

- (a) list of transnational producer organisations (TPOs) and transnational association of producer organisations (TAPOs) having their headquarters in the Member States;
- (b) amount of approved operational funds split by producers organisations (POs), association of producers organisations (APOs), TPOs and TAPOs broken down as follows:
 - (i) total amount;
 - (ii) amount of the financial contribution of the organisation;
 - (iii) amount of Union financial assistance;
- (c) amount of final operational fund split by POs, APOs, TPOs and TAPOs, broken down as follows:
 - (i) total amount;
 - (ii) amount of the financial contribution of the organisation;
 - (iii) amount of Union financial assistance;

The information referred to in point (a) and (c) shall be reported for the preceding calendar year. The information referred to in point (b) shall be reported for the current calendar year;

3. Form A.3.

This form concerns the fruit and vegetables sector, for which Member States shall report annually the market information on national financial assistance to POs for the preceding calendar year, as follows:

- (a) amount actually paid (in euros or national currency);
- (b) list of the beneficiary regions;

4. Form A.4.

This form concerns the information which Member States shall report annually in the apiculture sector:

total number of beehives ready for wintering in the territory of the Member States between 1 September and 31 December determined according to an established reliable method laid down in the CAP Strategic Plans;

5. Form A.5.

This form concerns other market information Member States shall report every 2 years in the apiculture sector, covering the calendar year preceding its notification:

- (a) the number of beekeepers;
- (b) the number of beekeepers managing more than 150 beehives;

- (c) the total number of beehives managed by beekeepers with more than 150 beehives;
- (d) the number of beekeepers organised in beekeepers' associations;
- (e) the range of prices in euros for multi-floral honey at the site of production;
- (f) the range of prices in euros for multi-floral honey in bulk at wholesalers;
- (g) the estimated average production cost in euros (fixed and variable) per kilogram of honey produced;

6. Form A.6.

This form concerns other market information, which Member States shall report every two years in the apiculture sector, for the 2 calendar years preceding its notification:

- (a) the annual national production of honey in kilograms;
- (b) the estimated annual average yield in kilograms of honey per beehive;

7. Form A.7.

This form concerns the other sectors, for which Member States shall report annually the following market information for the preceding calendar year:

- (a) for crop sectors: total area (in hectares) covered and/or volume (in tonnes) produced by POs, APOs, TPOs and TAPOs;
- (b) for livestock sectors: total number of animals and/or volume (in tonnes) produced by POs, APOs, TPOs and TAPOs.

Information related to expenditure

For on interventions in certain sectors referred to in Title III, Chapter III, of Regulation (EU) 2021/2115, Member States shall report information related to expenditure by means of the following forms:

8. Form B.1.

This form concerns the fruit and vegetables sector, the hops sector, the olive oil and table olives sector, and the other sectors referred to in Article 42, points (a), and (d) to (f), of Regulation (EU) 2021/2115, for which Member State shall report annually the following information related to the preceding agricultural financial year broken down by sector:

- (a) expenditure (in euros or national currency) of POs, APOs, TPOs and TAPOs, per intervention and per objective as referred to in Article 46, points (a) to (k), of that Regulation;
- (b) administrative and personnel costs (in euros or national currency) by POs, APOs, TPOs and TAPOs;
- (c) for market withdrawal for free distribution and other destinations, broken down by product:
 - (i) total annual volume (in tonnes), broken down as follows:
 - (1) free distribution;
 - (2) composting;
 - (3) processing industry;
 - (4) other destination;
 - (ii) total expenditure (in euros or national currency);
 - (iii) amount of Union financial assistance (in euros or in national currency);
- (d) total area (in hectares) per intervention, broken down as follows:
 - (i) investments in irrigation resulting in a net increase of the irrigated area;
 - (ii) replanting of orchards or olive groves;
 - (iii) green-harvesting;
 - (iv) non-harvesting;
 - (v) organic production;

- (vi) integrated production;
- (vii) improved use and sound management of water;
- (viii) improved soil conservation;
- (ix) creation and maintenance of habitats favourable to biodiversity;
- (e) percentages for minimum water savings targets for investments;
- (f) number of energy projects implemented;
- (g) percentage and volume of reclaimed water use;
- (h) number of promotion, communication and marketing interventions per objective as referred to in Article 46, point (h) and (i), of that Regulation;

9. Form B.2.

This form concerns the apiculture sector, for which Member States shall report annually the total public expenditure incurred (in euros or in national currency) during the agricultural financial year, broken down by intervention;

10. Form B.3.

This form concerns the wine sector, for which Member States shall report annually the following information related to the preceding agricultural financial year:

- (a) for restructuring and conversion of vineyards and green harvesting:
 - (i) Union financial assistance;
 - (ii) total expenditure of beneficiaries;
 - (iii) number of beneficiaries;
 - (iv) number of operations;
- (b) for investments in enterprises, investments in enterprises in convergence regions, investments in enterprise in other than convergence regions, investments in enterprise in outermost regions and investment in enterprise in small Aegean Islands regions:
 - (i) Union financial assistance (in euros or national currency);
 - (ii) total expenditure (in euros or national currency) of beneficiaries;
 - (iii) number of beneficiaries;
- (c) for harvest insurance:
 - (i) Union financial assistance (in euros or national currency);
 - (ii) total expenditure (in euros or national currency) of beneficiaries;
 - (iii) number of beneficiaries;
 - (iv) number of financed insurance policies;
- (d) for innovation:
 - (i) Union financial assistance (in euros or national currency);
 - (ii) total expenditure (in euros or national currency) of beneficiaries;
 - (iii) number of beneficiaries;
- (e) for by-products distillation:
 - (i) Union financial assistance (in euros or national currency);
 - (ii) number of beneficiaries (distilleries);
 - (iii) lees (range of max support);
 - (iv) marcs (range of max support);
 - (v) quantity of lees distilled;
 - (vi) quantity of marcs distilled;
 - (vii) million hectolitres of alcohol obtained;

- (f) for actions undertaken by interbranch organisations recognised by Member States in the wine sector in accordance with Regulation (EU) No 1308/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council ⁽¹⁾ aiming at enhancing the reputation of Union vineyards by promoting wine tourism in production regions:
 - (i) Union financial assistance (in euros or national currency);
 - (ii) total expenditure (in euros or national currency) of beneficiaries;
 - (iii) number of beneficiaries;
 - (iv) number of operations;
- (g) for actions undertaken by interbranch organisations recognised by Member States in the wine sector in accordance with Regulation (EU) No 1308/2013 aiming at improving market knowledge:
 - (i) Union financial assistance (in euros or national currency);
 - (ii) total expenditure (in euros or national currency) of beneficiaries;
 - (iii) number of beneficiaries;
 - (iv) number of operations;
- (h) for information in Member States and promotion and communications in third countries:
 - (i) number of beneficiaries;
 - (ii) number of operations;
 - (iii) per information or promotion action:
 - (1) beneficiaries;
 - (2) eligible measure;
 - (3) description;
 - (4) targeted market;
 - (5) period;
 - (6) total expenditure (in euros or national currency) of which:
 - Union financial assistance under sectoral interventions,
 - Union financial assistance under other support,
 - State aid,
 - expenditure of beneficiaries.

⁽¹⁾ Regulation (EU) No 1308/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 17 December 2013 establishing a common organisation of the markets in agricultural products and repealing Council Regulations (EEC) No 922/72, (EEC) No 234/79, (EC) No 1037/2001 and (EC) No 1234/2007 (OJ L 347, 20.12.2013, p. 671).

ANNEX VI

RULES ON DATA ON EUROPEAN INNOVATION PARTNERSHIP FOR AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTIVITY AND SUSTAINABILITY (EIP) OPERATIONAL GROUPS REFERRED TO IN ARTICLE 13(2)**Compulsory data**

1. Member States shall report the following compulsory data on EIP operational groups:
 - (a) title of the project: short title of the project in native language;
 - (b) title of the project in English: short title of the project in English;
 - (c) editor of the text: name of the person or body responsible for drafting the information encoded in the electronic system for the secure exchange of information, hereinafter referred to as 'SFC2021';
 - (d) project coordinator: name, address, email and telephone of the person responsible for the project management according to the cooperation agreement or project description;
 - (e) project partner(s): name, address, email, telephone and type of partner(s);
 - (f) 'practice abstract' in native language which shall include:
 - (i) the objective of the project describing the problems and/or opportunities the project addresses;
 - (ii) a short summary on the findings (expected or final). This summary should at least contain the following information, in an easy to understand language oriented to practitioners and end-users of project results:
 - (1) main findings of the project (expected or final);
 - (2) the main practical recommendation(s);
 - (g) 'practice abstract' in English: translation of the 'practice abstract' in English;
 - (h) keywords category: keywords applicable to the project selected from a pre-defined list of categories, set out in SFC2021;
 - (i) project status: status of the project: ongoing (after selection) or completed;
 - (j) additional funding source(s): source of additional funding besides EIP CAP support, such as Horizon 2020, established by Regulation (EU) No 1291/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council ⁽¹⁾, if any;
 - (k) project period: project start and end date;
 - (l) geographical location: NUTS 3 region where the main project activities take place;
 - (m) project contribution to CAP specific objectives: the CAP specific objective(s) referred to in Article 6 of Regulation (EU) 2021/2115 to which the project will contribute;
 - (n) cross-border/transnational operational groups:
 - (i) whether the project is cross-border and/or transnational;
 - (ii) which Member State/region coordinates and encodes the project in SFC2021;
 - (iii) which Member State(s)/region(s) form part of the project (using the NUTS 3 code);
 - (iv) budget per Member State(s)/region(s) which form part of the project, in public expenditure, summing all contributions (EAFRD, national co-financing and additional national financing if applicable);
 - (o) final report: comprehensive description of the project outcomes after its completion;
 - (p) total budget: total project contributions (EAFRD, national co-financing and additional national financing if applicable);

⁽¹⁾ Regulation (EU) No 1291/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 December 2013 establishing Horizon 2020 – the Framework Programme for Research and Innovation (2014-2020) and repealing Decision No 1982/2006/EC (OJ L 347, 20.12.2013, p. 104).

- (q) project contribution to Union strategies: the objective(s) of the European Green Deal, the Farm to Fork Strategy ⁽²⁾, the EU Biodiversity strategy ⁽³⁾, the Forestry strategy ⁽⁴⁾ and the EU strategy on carbon removals ⁽⁵⁾ to which the project is likely to contribute, to be selected from the following list:
- (i) achieving climate neutrality;
 - (ii) reducing the overall use and risk of chemical pesticides;
 - (iii) fostering organic farming and/or organic aquaculture;
 - (iv) reducing the use of antimicrobials for farmed animals and in aquaculture;
 - (v) reducing nutrient losses and the use of fertilisers, while maintaining soil fertility;
 - (vi) improving management of natural resources used in agriculture, such as water, soil and air;
 - (vii) protecting and/or restoring of biodiversity and ecosystem services within agricultural and forest systems;
 - (viii) bringing back agricultural area under high-diversity landscape features;
 - (ix) facilitating access to fast broadband internet in rural areas;
 - (x) improving animal welfare;
 - (xi) fostering biodiversity friendly afforestation and reforestation.

Recommended data

2. Member States are strongly encouraged to report the following recommended data on EIP operational groups:
- (a) audiovisual material: material from the project developed for practitioner and end-users or project results (including videos, photos, podcasts, etc.);
 - (b) website of the project: URL of the website(s);
 - (c) other website(s): URL of the website(s), which will host the information on the project results also after the project's end;
 - (d) description of project activities in native language: short summary highlighting main the project activities;
 - (e) description of project activities in English: short summary highlighting the main project activities.

Optional data

3. Member States may report the following optional data on EIP operational groups:
- (a) additional fields for additional practice abstracts in native language;
 - (b) additional fields for additional practice abstracts in English;
 - (c) description of the context of the project: free text to describe the drivers at the origin of the project, such as legislation, markets or other causes;
 - (d) additional information on the project: free text providing details as required by specific guidance at national/regional level, such as for monitoring purposes;
 - (e) additional comments: free text to list enabling elements or obstacles in project implementation, suggestions for future actions/operational groups/research, messages to consumers, etc.

⁽²⁾ Commission communication of 20 May 2020 entitled 'A Farm to Fork Strategy for a fair, healthy and environmentally-friendly food system'.

⁽³⁾ Commission communication of 20 May 2020 entitled 'EU Biodiversity Strategy for 2030: Bringing nature back into our lives'.

⁽⁴⁾ Commission communication of 16 July 2021 entitled 'New EU Forest Strategy for 2030'.

⁽⁵⁾ Commission communication of 15 December 2021 entitled 'Sustainable Carbon Cycles'.

ANNEX VII

RULES ON DATA ON LAGs AND THEIR ACTIVITIES FOR LEADER REFERRED TO IN ARTICLE 14(2)

Data related to LAGs

1. Member States shall report by 30 April of year N the variables set out in points (a) to (g), per LAG, for the LAGs selected by 31 December of year N-1. The data relates to the situation of the LAG at the moment of selection and is reported only once.

(a) L100: identification of LAG (ID)

This field provides a unique code of each LAG;

(b) L200: LAG's name

This field provides information on the name of the local action group;

(c) L300: municipality codes

This field provides a list of the Local Administrative Unit code of the municipalities within the LAG area. Multiple codes may be selected;

(d) L400: total population

This field provides information on the population within the LAG area. The calculation of this variable shall follow the calculation method of the Result indicator R.38 'LEADER coverage' set out in point 8(j) of the Annex to Implementing Regulation (EU) 2021/2290;

(e) L500: support of a LAG by more than one Fund pursuant to Article 31(3) of Regulation (EU) 2021/1060

This field indicates whether the LAG is supported by other Funds than the European Agricultural Fund for Rural Development (EAFRD).

If the value L500 is 'yes' the LAG shall provide the following variables:

(i) L501: use of European Regional Development Fund (ERDF) support: whether the LAG is receiving support under the ERDF;

(ii) L502: use of European Social Fund Plus (ESF+) support: whether the LAG is receiving support under the ESF+;

(iii) L503: use of European Maritime, Fisheries and Aquaculture Fund (EMFAF) support: whether the LAG is receiving support under the EMFAF;

(iv) L504: use of other European Structural and Investment Funds (ESIF) (e.g. the Just Transition Fund);

(f) L600: total number of LAG's members

This field provides information on the total number of the LAG's members referred to in Article 31(2), point (b), of Regulation (EU) 2021/1060. Member States shall report the number of LAG's members broken down by type of organisation, as follows:

(i) L601: number of LAG's members that represent public administrations;

(ii) L602: number of LAG's members that are representatives of private local economic interests (e.g. economic organisations, local businesses, etc.);

(iii) L603: number of LAG's members that are representatives of social local interests (e.g. non-governmental organisations, local associations, etc.);

(iv) L604: Number of LAG's members falling under other categories than those listed in points (i), (ii) and (iii);

(g) L610: total number of LAG's members in the LAG's decision-making body

Member States shall report the number of LAG's members in the decision-making body by type of organisation, as follows:

(i) L611: number of members of LAG's decision-making body that represent public administrations;

- (ii) L612: number of members in LAG's decision-making body members that are representatives of private local economic interests (e.g. economic organisations, local businesses, etc.);
- (iii) L613: number of members in LAG's decision-making body that are representatives of social local interests (e.g. non-governmental organisations, local associations, etc.);
- (iv) L614: number of members in LAG's decision-making body falling under others categories than those listed in points (i), (ii) and (iii);

Gender of members in the LAG's decision-making body

Member States shall report the number of members in LAG's decision-making body by gender (L615 to L618);

Age of members in the LAG's decision-making body

Member States shall report the number of members in LAG's decision-making body by age, as follows:

- (v) L619: number of young persons in LAG's decision-making body
This field applies to persons who are below a certain age limit as defined by Member States;
- (vi) L620: age limit defined by the Member State for the variable referred to in point (v).

Data related to the LAG's activities

2. Member States shall report by LAG the list of variables on LAG's activities set out in points (a) to (d), in 2026 and 2030, from the moment of the first payment to a given operation. The report in year N relates to all operations paid until 15 October N-1. These variables relate to the number of operations implemented in accordance with Article 34(1), point (b), of Regulation (EU) 2021/1060.

- (a) L100: identification of LAG (ID);
- (b) L700: total number of operations implemented by the LAG

This field provides the total number of operations implemented by the LAG, without double counting. Member States shall report the number of operations by type of promotor, as follows:

- (i) L701: number of operations implemented by private individuals or businesses;
- (ii) L702: number of operations implemented by public administrations;
- (iii) L703: number of operations implemented by representatives of private economic local interests (e.g. business associations, chamber of commerce, etc.);
- (iv) L704: number of operations implemented by representatives of social local interests (e.g. non-governmental organisations, local associations, etc.);
- (v) L705: number of operations implemented by research organisations;
- (vi) L706: number of operations jointly implemented by several types of promoters;
- (vii) L707: number of operations implemented by promoters that fall under other categories than those listed in points (i) to (vi);

Member States shall report the number of interregional or transnational cooperation operations as follows:

- (viii) L708: number of interregional cooperation projects implemented by the LAG;
- (ix) L709: number of transnational cooperation projects implemented by the LAG;

- (c) L710: number of operations which are innovative in the local context

Member States shall report operations, which are innovative in the local context as set out in Article 31(2), point (d), of Regulation (EU) 2021/1060.

Member States, regional authorities or the LAG shall define the term 'innovative in the local context';

- (d) Operations by objective/area

This field indicates the one or multiple objectives/areas to which a given operation relates, as follows:

- (i) L801: number of operations related to knowledge transfer, including advice, training and knowledge-exchange on sustainable, economic, social, environmental and climate-friendly performance;
- (ii) L802: number of operations related to producer organisations, local markets, short supply chains and quality schemes, including investment support, marketing activities, etc.;
- (iii) L803: number of operations related to renewable energy production capacities, including bio-based;
- (iv) L804: number of operations contributing to environmental sustainability and the achievement of climate mitigation and adaptation goals in rural areas;
- (v) L805: number of operations which create jobs;
- (vi) L806: number of operations supporting rural businesses, including bio-economy;
- (vii) L807: number of operations related to smart village strategies;
- (viii) L808: number of operations improving access to services and infrastructure, including broadband;
- (ix) L809: number of operations in the area of social inclusion;
- (x) L810: number of operations that fall under other categories than those listed in points (i) to (ix).

Data related to LAG's finance

3. Member States shall report the variables set out in points (a), (b) and (c) on LAG's finance in 2026 and 2030. The report in year N relates to all operations paid until 15 October N-1.
- (a) L900: total Union budget under EAFRD planned, per community-led local development strategy (LDS);
 - (b) L910: total amount from EAFRD committed to support the implementation of operations, including cooperation activities and preparation, selected under the LDS;
 - (c) L920: total amount of Union contribution paid from the EAFRD per LDS
- Member States shall report the Union contribution paid from the EAFRD broken down by actions provided for in Article 34(1), points (a), (b) and (c), of Regulation (EU) 2021/1060:
- (i) L921: total amount from EAFRD paid for capacity building and preparatory actions supporting the design and future implementation of the LDS;
 - (ii) L922: total amount from EAFRD paid for the implementation of operations, including cooperation activities and their preparation, selected under the LDS;
 - (iii) L923: total amount from EAFRD paid for the management, monitoring and evaluation of the LDS and its animation, including the facilitation of exchanges between stakeholders.

Contribution to result indicators

4. Member States shall report in 2026 and 2030 information by LAG on the contribution of the LDS to all relevant result indicators referred to in Annex I to Regulation (EU) 2021/2115 selected in their CAP Strategic Plan following the selection of LDS. The report in year N relates to all operations paid until 15 October of year N-1.
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