



Contribution of the CAP to the achievement of the F2F Targets on pesticides

Key messages

- Farmers are already complying with the Directive on the Sustainable Use of Pesticides which is part of CAP conditionality;
- Need of an Impact Assessment when setting up targets, which should reflect all three pillars of sustainability;
- Withdrawing active substances from the market, without viable alternatives, has an impact on agriculture;
- Low-risk active substances and biocontrol technologies are far from being a reality;



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- Sustainable, safe and effective alternatives in the EU farmers' toolbox, based on latest scientific progress;
- Synergies between sectors and players in the value chains are needed;
- A combination of solutions: biocontrol technologies, innovative agronomic practices, digitalisation, resilient varieties or research into new agricultural markets;
- Various agricultural practices can help but pesticides remain a key element of Integrated Pest Management.



A man with a beard, wearing a striped shirt and blue shorts, is smiling while riding a large water buffalo. The buffalo is standing in a dry, grassy field under a hazy, orange-tinted sky. The background shows some sparse trees and a distant horizon.

Thank you for your attention !



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