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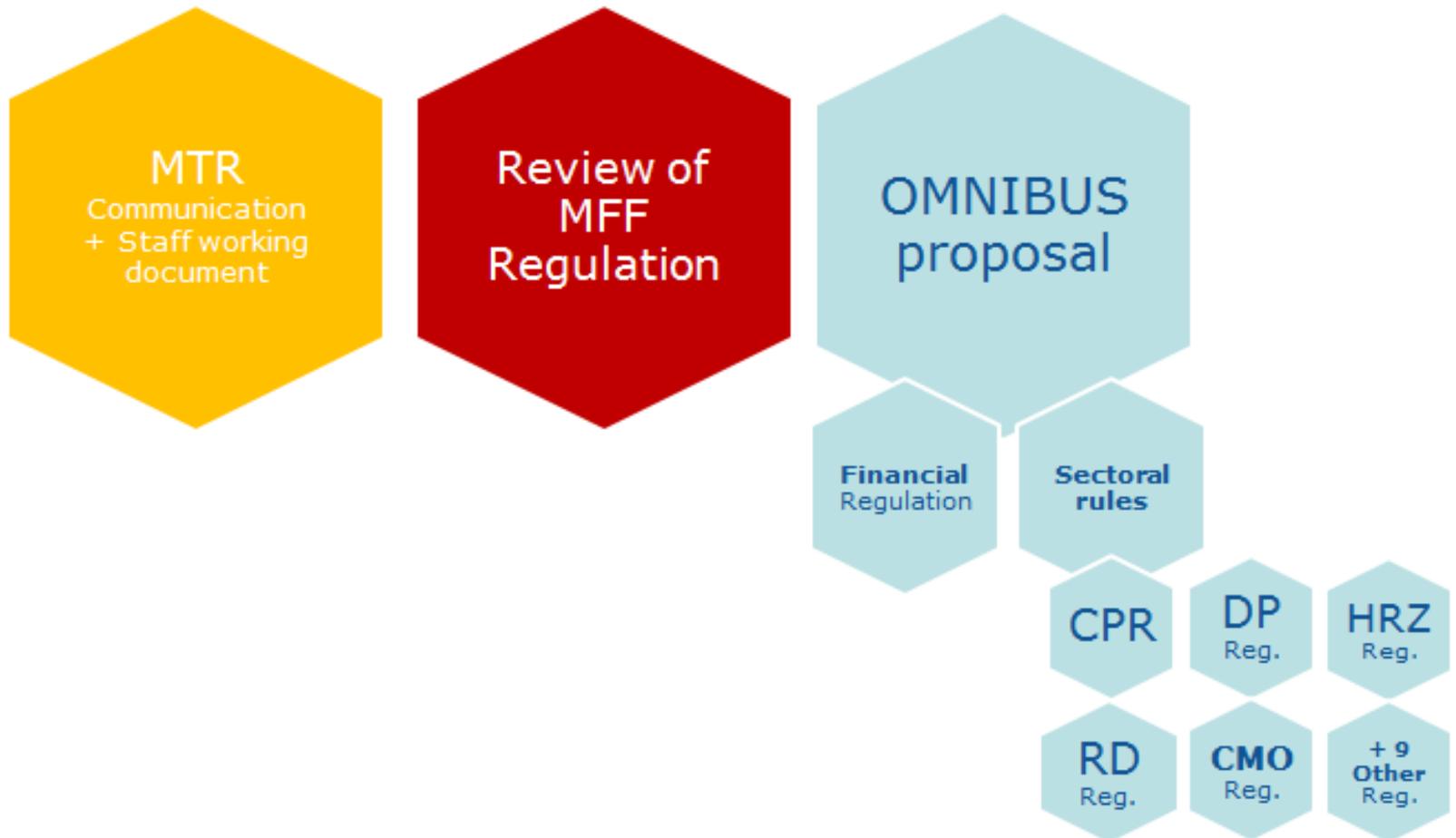
OMNIBUS PROPOSAL

Articles 267-270 on the CAP basic acts

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Agriculture
and Rural
Development

Midterm review package



CAP Part

Rural Development Regulation (1305/2013) – Art. 267

- Financial instruments
- Support to young farmers
- Income stabilisation tool
- Rules on selection criteria
- Quicker availability for EU funding

Horizontal Regulation (1306/2013) – Art. 268

- Financial discipline procedure
- 50/50 rule for clearing irregularity cases
- Public procurement rules

Direct Payment Regulation (1307/2013) – Art. 269

- Active farmer
- Young Farmer Payment
- SAPS
- Voluntary Coupled Support

CMO Regulation (1308/2013) – Art. 270

- Operational programmes (fruit and vegetable sector)
- Management of Import quotas

Rural Development Regulation 1305/2013

Financial Instruments

Changes to ease (and harmonise with other European Structural & Investment Funds) the rules applicable to FIs

Support to young farmers

Greater flexibility for the support to young farmers

Income stabilisation tool

Introduction of a sector-specific (agricultural) income stabilisation tool

Simplification of the rules on selection criteria

Simpler rules for the selection of beneficiaries in cases with specific characteristics

Quicker availability of EU funding

Investment projects in connection with the refugee crisis - eligible as from the date of the event and not only as from the date of programme modification/application for support. The same flexibility will apply to EU support in case of catastrophic events in rural areas.

Horizontal Regulation 1306/2013

Financial discipline procedure

Financial discipline: simpler decision-making procedure

50/50 rule for clearing irregularity cases

Simpler and shorter administrative procedure for clearing irregularity cases; 100% rule instead of 50/50%-rule with lengthy administrative follow-up

Public procurement rules

New, more proportionate rule on the recovery of undue payments in the case of violations of public procurement rules

Direct Payments Regulation 1307/2013

Young farmer payment

The maximum number of hectares with the top-up no longer applies, unless it is needed to respect the 2 per cent ceiling

SAPS

Possibility of using unspent funds for Member States applying the SAPS (i.e. overbooking mechanism)

Active farmer

1. More flexibility for MS to choose by which test entities they can prove they are active
2. As from claim year 2018 the whole clause becomes voluntary, so Member States can decide whether or not to apply the Active Farmer rules

Voluntary Coupled Support

In times of market crisis, Member States can decide to “decouple” the Voluntary Coupled Support (as already done for 2017 for the dairy sector by a Commission implementing regulation). This proposal allows such a move to continue for 2018 and following years.

CMO Regulation 1308/2013

**Operational programmes
(Fruit & vegetables sector)**

Coaching eligible under crisis measures in operational programmes, 100%

Import quotas

Simpler management of import quotas (publish information on the internet rather than through Commission regulations)

Process so far and way ahead

- ✓ in the Council
- ✓ in the Parliament