



Update on the EU Farm Sustainability Tool for Nutrients (FaST)

CDG Meeting

Brussels, 11/06/2024





Presentation Outline

➤ Policy Context

Green Deal, F2F, CAP

➤ Legal Requirements

R2021/2115, FAS, FaST

➤ EU FaST Pilot Project

FaST Platform, FaST Navigator, State-of-play

➤ Follow-Up Actions

Questionnaire, Dissemination

Policy Context

European Green Deal, F2F



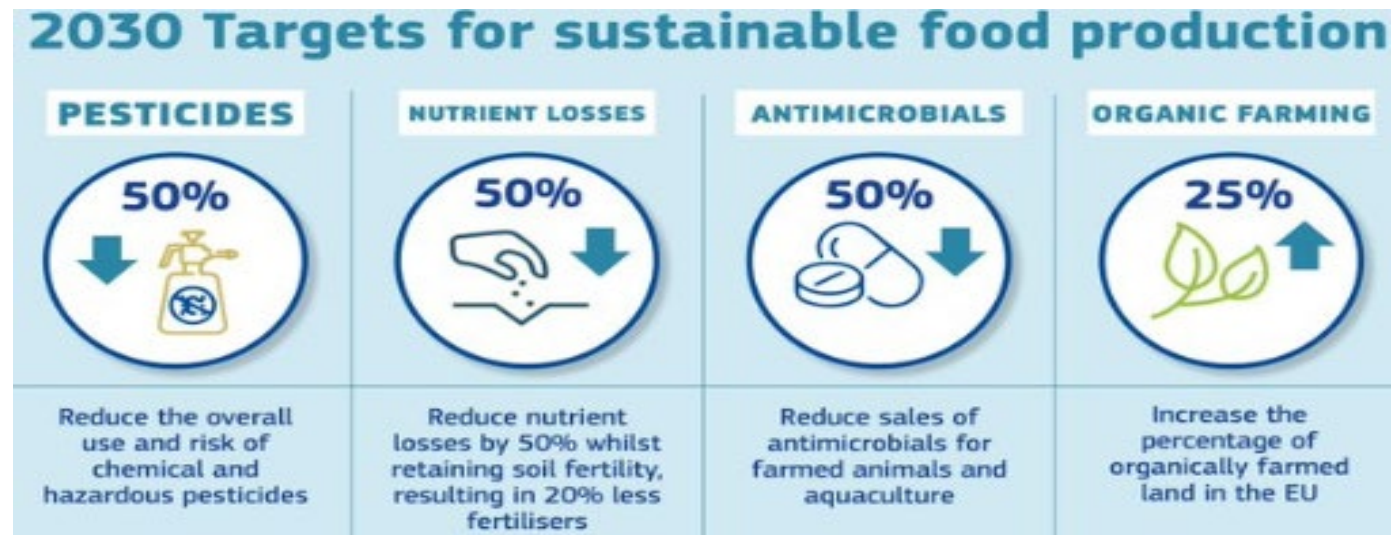
First climate-neutral continent by 2050

No person, no place left behind

Decouple Growth from Resource Use



Farm2Fork Strategy



Policy Context

CAP 2023-2027



- ❑ 9 Specific Objectives (SOs)+ 1 cross-cutting SO
- ❑ Social, environmental and economic goals
- ❑ Basis for Member States to design their CAP Strategic Plans (CSPs)
- ❑ Member States select their interventions after assessing their needs

✓ *SO5: Foster sustainable development, **efficient management of natural resources** and **reducing chemical dependency***

Legal Requirements

CAP Regulation (EU) 2021/2115

Art. 15(1): CSPs include **services for advising farmers**

Art. 15(4): [...] adapted to the various types of production and farms and shall cover [...] **at the latest as from 2024** the use of a Farm Sustainability Tool for Nutrients, **any digital application** that provides at least:

- (i) balance of main nutrients at field scale;
- (ii) legal requirements on nutrients;
- (iii) soil data, based on available information and analyses;
- (iv) data from the integrated administration and control system (IACS) relevant for nutrient management;

Legal Requirements

CAP Regulation (EU) 2021/2115

Recital 51:

- ✓ [...] information on nutrient management [...] should be provided with the help of a dedicated electronic **Farm Sustainability Tool** made available by the Member States to individual farmers.
- ✓ [...] the **Commission** should be able to **provide support** to the Member States in the **design** of the Farm Sustainability Tool.

Support from the Commission

- ✓ **FaST Software Demo**
- ✓ **Pilot project** for the implementation of the FaST in 5 MS-4PA
- ✓ **Study** managed by DEFIS in coordination with AGRI and DIGIT.
- ✓ (1st Phase January 2020 / May 2021)
- ✓ (2nd Phase June 2021 / May 2022)

EU FaST Project Results

FaST Platform

Stage 1: Jan 2020-Mar 2021

Stage 2: Jun 2021-May 2022

Featured results:	Project summary (final report):	Availability of the FaST demo:
<ul style="list-style-type: none">❑ Development and customisation of the digital architecture❑ Pilot implementation of the tool❑ Road map and training material for other MS/PA interested	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- https://fastplatform.eu/	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- https://gitlab.com/fastplatform: access to all the code produced for the application and the platform (public repository)

EU FaST Project Results

FaST Navigator

Study published on 25 May 2022

Featured results:	Project summary (final report):	Availability of the demo:
<ul style="list-style-type: none">❑ Development and customisation of operational algorithms for fertilisation recommendations❑ Online tool with the algorithms developed❑ Description of the algorithms	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• FaST-navigator-study (europa.eu) <p>Access to the project report and description of the algorithms</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• https://tool.fastnavigator.eu <p>Online tool accessible with the algorithms developed</p>

Follow-Up Actions

Questionnaire

- ✓ 6 November 2023 → **AGRI Questionnaire to MSs** to:
 - gather information on the state-of-play of FaST deployment
 - better understand MSs **needs in terms of further technical support** (article 15 of Regulation (EU) 2021/2115)
- ✓ **17 (63%) Member States replied** to the Questionnaire.
- ✓ Most of the reporting **MSs do not need further technical support from the Commission** for the design of a FaST.
- ✓ Interest in **support through information sessions and dissemination** of best practices.

Follow-Up Actions

Dissemination

- ✓ Set-up list of **National Contact Points**
- ✓ 6 March 2024: Meeting with MSs on **FaST Best Practices**
- ✓ Explore support under the **CAP Network** for dissemination and knowledge sharing activities

Thank you



DG AGRI – B2