



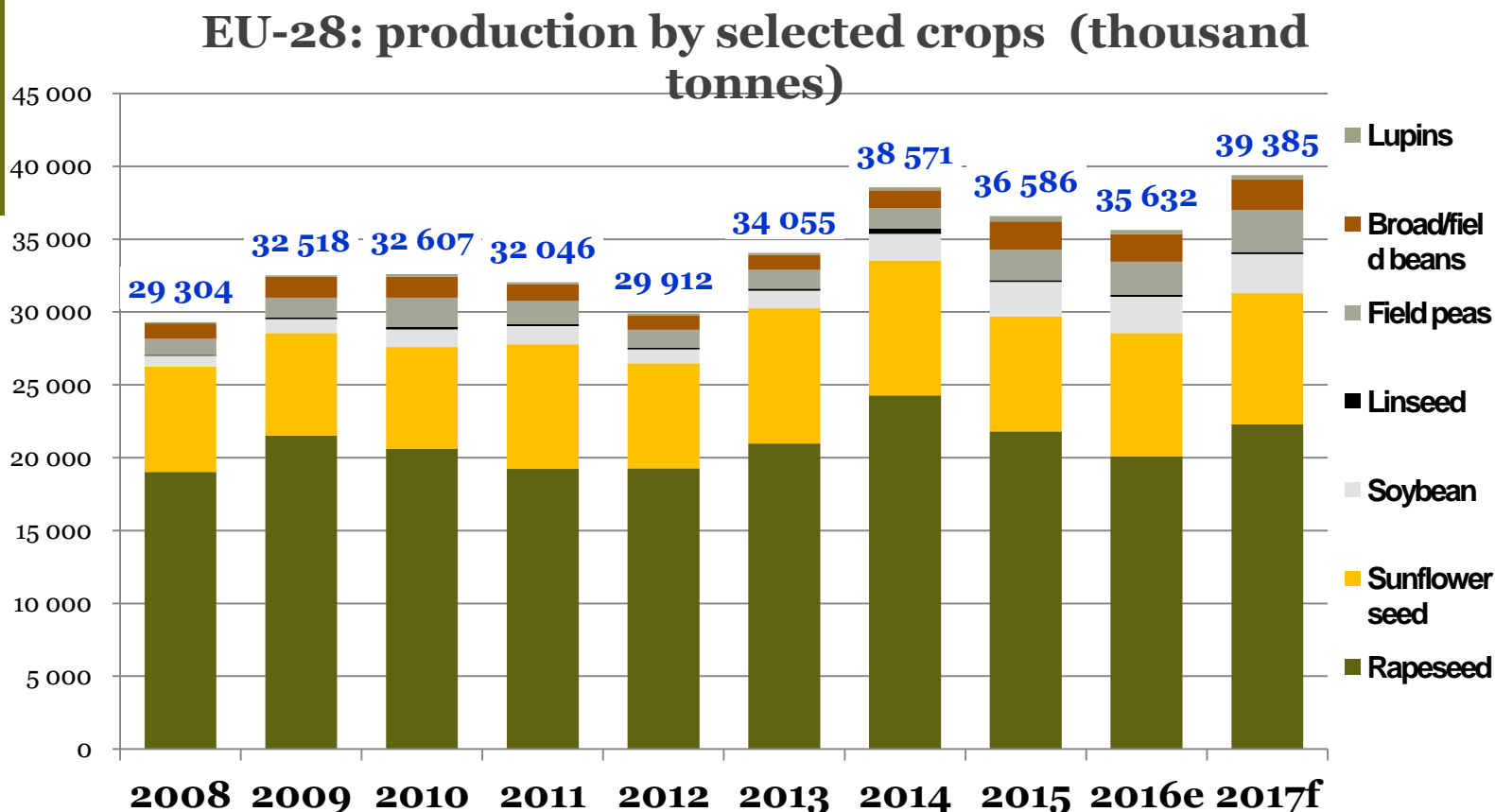
Producers of vegetable proteins:



Producers of Proteins for life



Are protein crops a sad story ?

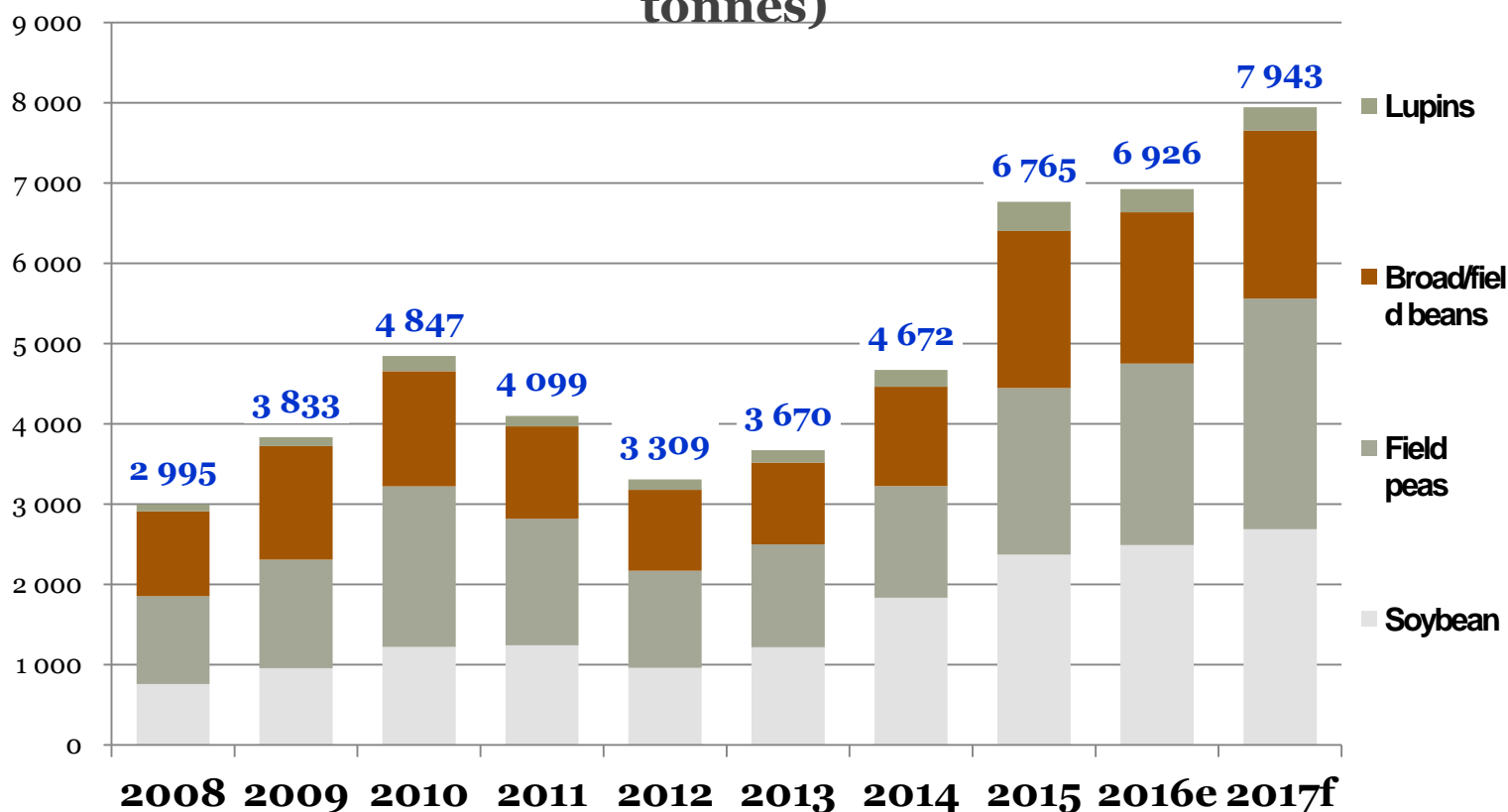


How we produce vegetable proteins in EU

- **The first sourcing from EU agricultural sector is the rapemeal and the co-products of bio-ethanol (DDGS);**
- **Duality of leguminoses purposes: feed and/or food (quality);**
- **Sensitive technical crops with a lack of advisory services to the producers which limit the reintroduction**
- **The successive CAP reforms allowed a specific coupled support to protein crops;**
- **The greening has given recently an incentive to produce pulse, for example in Eastern countries lupin has increased by +50% since 2015;**

Impact of CAP reform on leguminoses production

EU-28: production by selected crops (thousand tonnes)

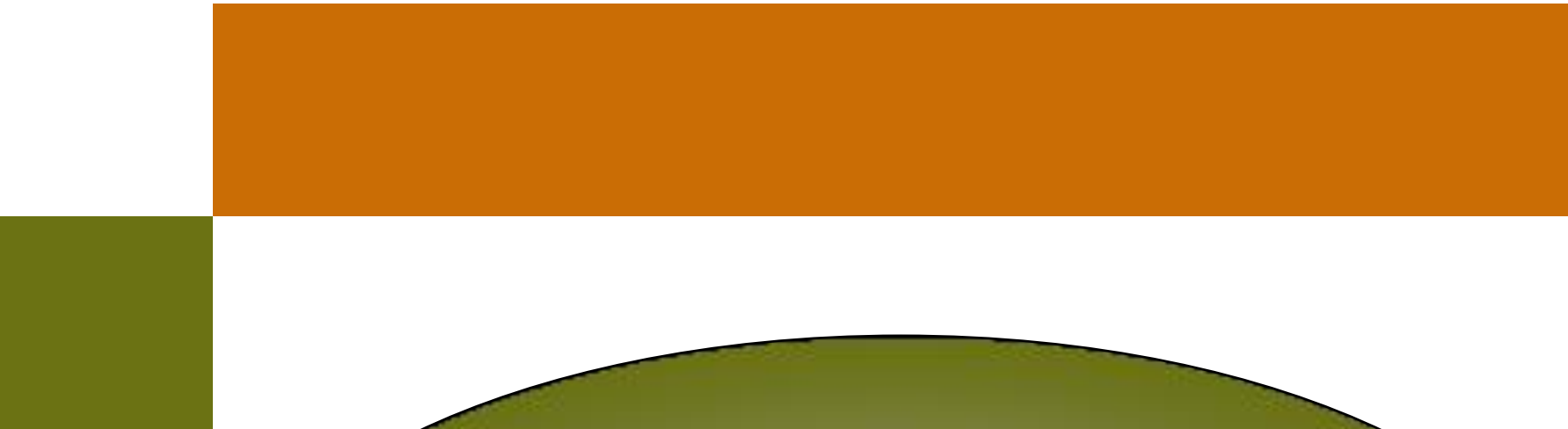


Main challenges from the producers side

- The yield trend is low compared to other cereals in the EU and you cannot substitutes vegetable proteins in the feed ratio ;
- The gap between EU15 and EU 13 is still huge (from 11% to 29%);
- Without plant protection products, the performance of these crops is much more dependent to the weather conditions;
- We are lacking good EU varieties which can compete with the cereals (NBTs);
- The greening measures has given recently an incentive to produce pulses but the market in some MS has not been able to catch up all the production;
- The need for a better understanding of the S/D of the market is needed (protein balance sheet as the first step).

Develop a strategic plan which include all stakeholders

- Develop an integrated approach relating to research : a tool exist already within the Horizon 2020 (public-private partnership;
- If the main target of rapeseed production is to supply vegetable protein market then rapeseed oil should be considered as co-products under the bio-economy approach;
- Develop a consistent tool box for the farmers in order to be less reliable to the weather event;
- Support under the second pillar the development of branch project;
- Allow specific payment for leguminous production
- Engage a dialogue with the livestock producers on how to catch the EU leguminous production and make the best of it;



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