**Draft proposal**

**Simplification as regards possibilities to amend aid applications**

**following "preliminary checks" carried out by the administration**

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| Title | **Direct payments – Integrated Administration and Control System (IACS)** |
| Scope | Aid applications – simplification of procedures and possible modifications of the aid applications following "preliminary cross checks" |
| Legal basis | Chapter 2 of Title V of Regulation 1306/2013 |
| Current Commission Regulations | **Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) No 809/2014 (amendments to Articles 11 and 15)** |
| Foreseen date of adoption | End of 2015 / Beginning of 2016 |
| Foreseen first year of implementation | 2016 |
| Purpose of proposal | In order to enhance the correctness of the aid application or payment claim, it is now explicitly stated that Member States are able to introduce, on a voluntary basis, a system of "preliminary checks" that will inform beneficiaries about potential non-compliances and will allow them to change their aid applications and payments claim in due time in order to avoid reductions and administrative penalties (please see a description of the process in the flow-chart in Annex).  The overall idea is to strengthen the preventive tools, detect much more up-stream some potential non-compliances and allow beneficiaries to rectify those before submitting their applications. For some types of errors, the system would be a kind of warning that unless modifications are made, and if the non-compliance is confirmed, a reduction or even administrative penalties could apply[[1]](#footnote-1).  In addition to the positive impact on beneficiaries, this represents an additional tool to reduce the risk of errors. |

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1. E.g. information that the parcel or part of it – has already been declared by somebody else, discrepancy between the parcels declared and the parcels recorded in the Land Parcels Identification System etc. [↑](#footnote-ref-1)