Positioning the Biocontrol Industry in Sustainable Food Production



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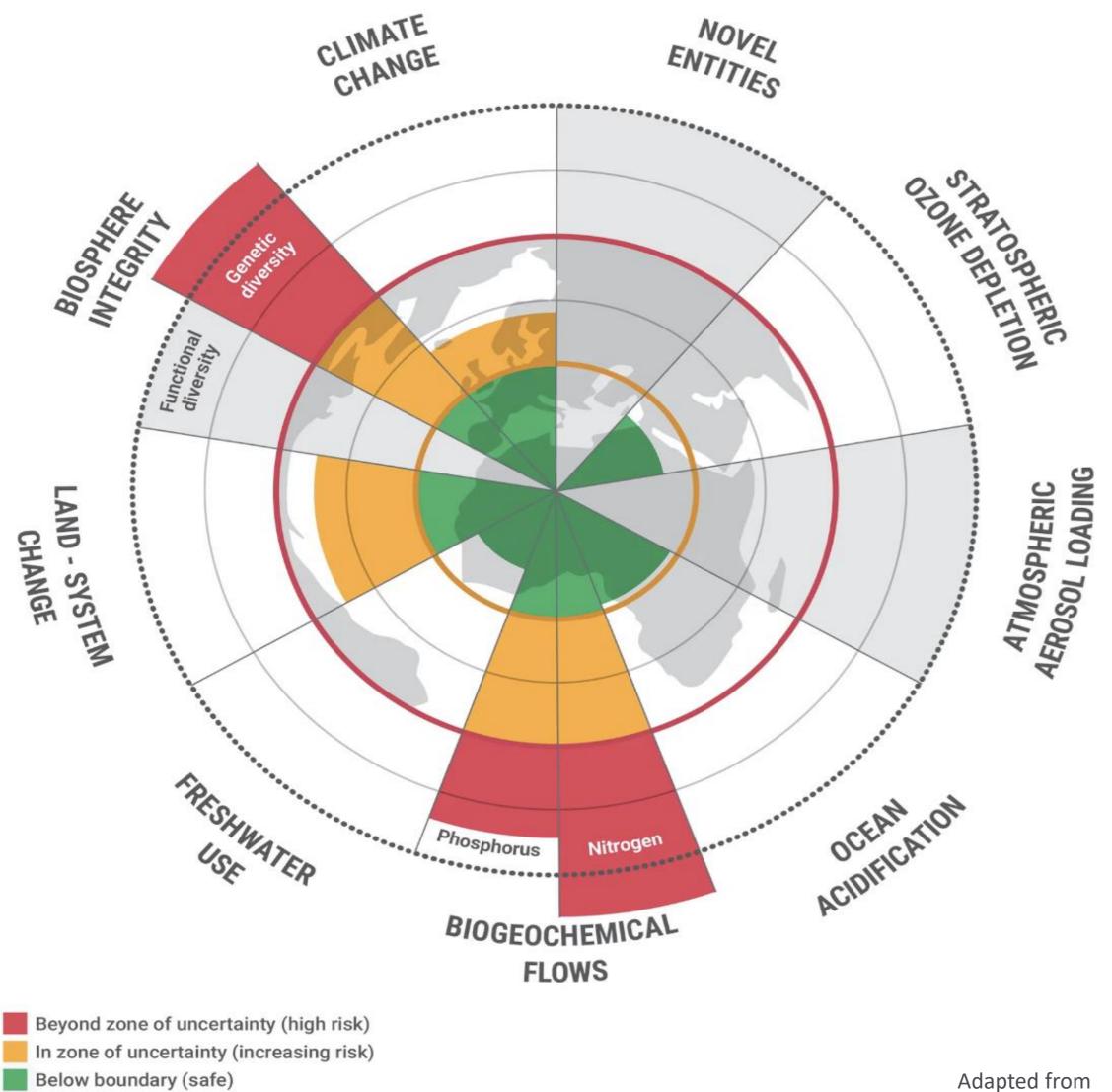


Since 2019 there is more evidence of planetary harm

• Public Health - Global COVID pandemic Global wildfires in forests, tundra and wetlands Record biodiversity losses in land and sea

PLANETARY BOUNDARIES

A safe operating space for humanity



Boundary not yet quantified

Nicolas Cock Duque



Planetary Boundaries are exceeded Evidence is now clear

- 9 boundaries
- All factors are interconnected
- In 2009, the biodiversity, nitrogen cycle and flows already exceeded, now in 2020 the land use and freshwater use are also in amber and red.

https://www.ecologyandsociety.org/vol14/iss2/art32/













Agriculture is a major contributor

"Nothing less than a radically transformed agricultural system will be required with numerous changes made to all aspects of production".

Beddington et al 2012

























Shifting to regenerative agriculture is fundamental

"Shifting to regenerative agriculture requires a fundamental transformation in the goals of our agriculture system from ne focused exclusively on maximising yield and efficiency to one that pursues economic, environmental and social outcomes alongside productivity".

Forum for the Future 2020 Report Growing our Agriculture

Bioprotection is key to the transition





Benefits of Bioprotection

regenerative agriculture need For we bioprotection at the heart of the pest and disease programme.

It is not business as usual – it is a biology first approach and agroecological approach.

Effective

Farmers continue to farm productively and profitably

Resilient System

Biological buffering of ecosystems builds resilience

Carbon sinking

Microbes within carbon cycle protected and nutrient cycling facilitated

Biodiversity

Soil biodiversity and health is restored, and field biodiversity enhanced

Water

Healthy soil assists drainage and reduces flooding

Regenerate land

Land condition improves, providing a legacy for future generations





Bioprotection – New Regulation Principles

Precautionary

Precautionary at farm level – safety to farmers, the environment and the public

Proportionality

Inherently low risk of biologicals merits a reduced evaluation and minimal re-evaluation process

Safe Use

Where safe use demonstrated on one crop and no MRL they could be used on all crops

Right to know

A biological specific regulation can give consumers more information on the origin of their food and boost their confidence





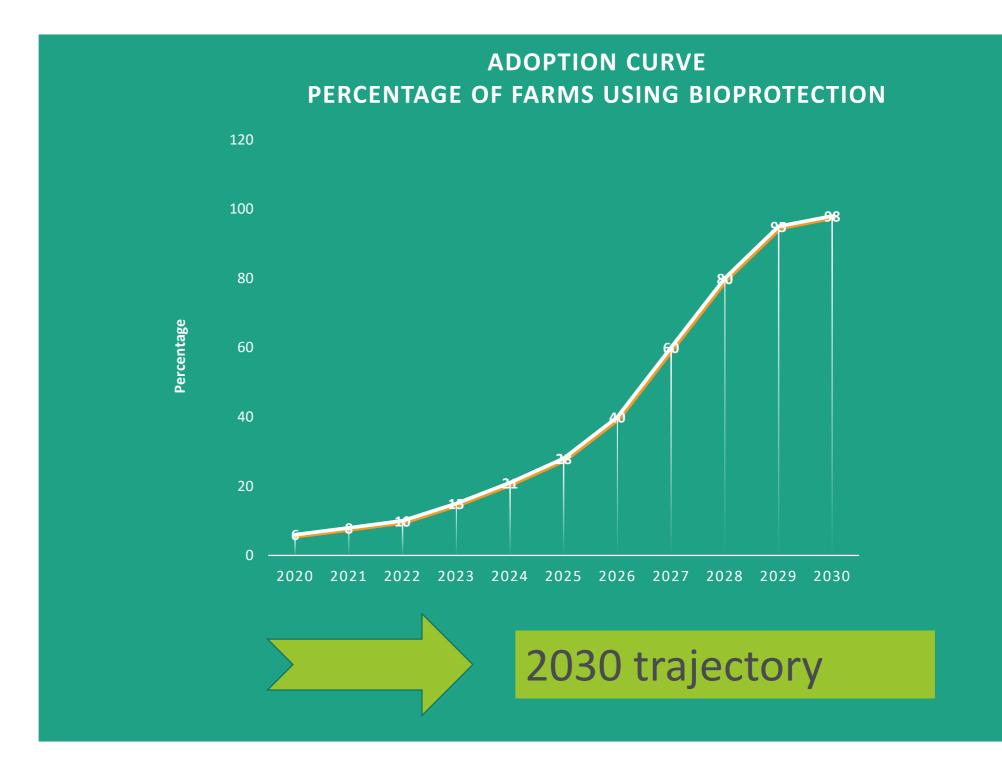




An Enabling Environment for Bioprotection Requires:

- 1. Systemic Approach to accelerate regulatory change
- 2. Public policy to enhance the bioeconomy
- 3. Removing subsidies supporting degenerative practices and support regenerative approaches
- 4. Proportionate regulation to speed up market access
- 5. New skills for all farmers, bioprotection, monitoring, digital and big data.





Market Share	Bioprotection
2020	6
2025 Target	25
2030 Target	50 - 75



IBMA Strategy 2020-2025 Two strategic themes to accelerate adoption of bioprotection

Biocontrol is a reality

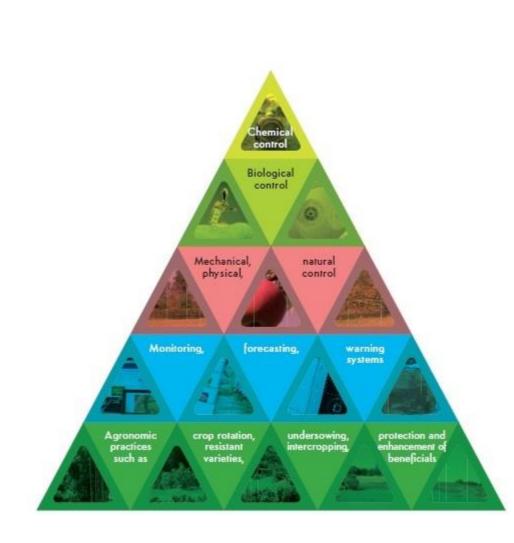
Demonstrate that bioprotection use on a large scale is profitable to farmers, enhances biodiversity and soil health





Proportionate Regulation

Advocating for a new biological regulation specific to biologicals to speed up market access and provide certainty to investors





NEW EU REGULATORY FRAMEWORK FOR BIOPROTECTION AGENTS IBMA Vision on how to improve regulation in the European Union







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IBMA Two Strategic Themes

BIOCONTROL IS A REALITY

01. Industry Statistics

Industry Survey

02. Biocontrol Examples

- New Website
- www.ibmabiocontrolsuccess.org

03. Food Value Chain Interaction

Forum for the Future enabled discussions

PROPORTIONATE REGULATION

01. Proportionate Regulation

- Decision Trees
- New Regulation for Biologicals

2020-2025

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02. Training

- BET Online Training introduction
- Progress to crops/country

• 03. Collaboration

- IFOAM Roadmap
- COPACOGECA Roadmap
- Build alliances to amplify voice







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Food Value Chain Interaction



Demonstrate profitability

Arable is key for Retailers

EU CALL 03

Biodiversity and Green Deal calls

IBMA Seeking Partners

DEMONSTRATION 02

Parish Leader Farmers who are System Entrepreneurs

MEASUREMENT 04

Farmer Profitability

Soil Health and Carbon

Biodiversity







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NUOVO QUADRO NORMATIVO UE PER GLI GENTLDI BIOPROTEZIO La Visione IBMA su come migliorare la regolamentazione nell'Unione Europea





Copa-Cogeca – IBMA Roadmap for collaboration in 2018- 2025

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Proportionate Regulation



IBMA Members and Experts created Decision trees for each biological type and shared in stakeholder meetings

HARMONISATION 03

Create and offer fora for discussion on global harmonization

ENABLING EU ACCESS 02

Biological Specific Regulation

Dutch Vision

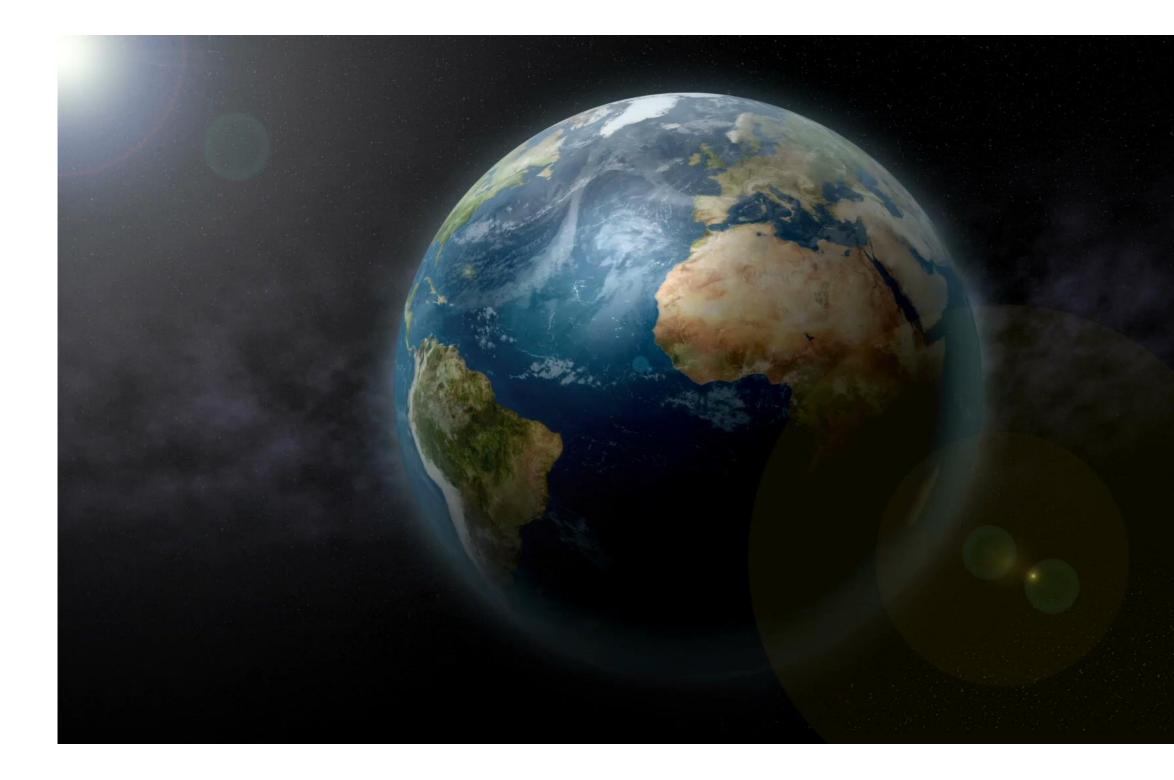
COLLABORATION 04

COPA COGECA

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