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State of play EU Working group for sustainable plant protection

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Why a sustainable plant protection working group?

- *Sustainable plant protection temporary working group (NL Council presidency proposal) composed of 19 MS delegates, COM and EFSA*
 - Objectives to identify actions to promote Integrated Pest management application in particular identifying measures to increase low risk products availability and accelerating the implementation of Integrated Pest Management in Member States

Focus on :

- expedite approval and authorisation procedures (within limits of Regulation 1107/2009)
- support businesses to apply for low-risk approval and authorisation
- clarify regulatory requirements
- cooperate and share experience between MS
- provide input for REFIT of 1107/2009 to increase regulatory incentives for low-risk products.



How did it work?

- Eight meetings organised since December 2015 - including a workshop with MS to provide contributions for ongoing REFIT evaluation
- Coordination with Directorate F Sustainable use directive implementation group
- Implementation plan (40 main actions) - endorsed in Council in June 2016
- Follow up on implementation plan: aim to finalise an interim report on achievements by end of 2017/beginning 2018 (up to now 19 MS replied to a focused questionnaire)

Implementation plan available @ [Council website](#)



Implementation plan : which main actions for low risk products?

Member States

- **Zonal system delays (first results: 30% addressed)**
- **Expedite low risk potentials (30% addressed)**
- **Refrain additional national requirements (30% addressed)**
- **Efficacy EPPO guidance**
- **Reduced fees (70%)**
- **Pre-submission meetings free (70%)**
- **Dedicated experts for assessment (35%)**



Implementation plan : which actions from applicants?

Applicants

- **Submit high quality and complete dossiers**
- **To consider the use of the so-called "risk-envelope approach"**
- **Make use of pre-submission meetings provided by Member States**



Implementation plan : which main actions on IPM?

- Accelerating the implementation of Integrated Pest Management (IPM) in Member States
 - **Focused applied research in field**
 - **Demonstration farms activities**
 - **Promote cooperation among stakeholders**
 - **Share information on implementation of IPM general principles**
 - **Ensure qualified advisory services on IPM**
 - **Webportal for IPM**
 - **BTSF programme on IPM for 2018**
 - **Move forward on harmonised risk indicators**

Coordination
Sustainable
use Directive
expert group

HEALTH AND FOOD AUDITS AND ANALYSIS

- Work programmes
- Audit reports
- Overview reports**
- Non-audit activities
- Audit map
- Annual reports
- Country profiles

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News

- New Commission reports focus on how EU countries should use pesticides more sustainably**
Released: 10-10-2017
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- Report finds good monitoring systems of antimicrobial resistance in animals and food and some areas of improvement.**
Released: 27-07-2017
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- Two reports on authorisation and control of pesticides identify need for improvements**
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Sustainable Use of Pesticides	2017-6291	EU	Report details
Overview Report - Identification and Response to New Plant Health Risks	2016-8993	EU	Report details
Interim Overview Report - Antimicrobial Resistance Monitoring in Zoonotic and Commensal Bacteria	2016-6239	EU	Report details
Plant Protection Products - Marketing and Use	2016-6004	EU	Report details
Plant Protection Products - Authorisation	2017-6250	EU	Report details

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State of play: COM actions (1)

- *Prioritisation of potential low risk active substances under the next renewal process AIR4 through Commission Implementing Decision issued in September 2016 (2016/C 357/05)*
- **Low risk criteria** amended by Reg.1432/2017
- *Guidance in preparation for their implementation*
- *Work ongoing on the **non binding list** identifying potential low risk active substances which were approved prior of full applicability of Regulation (EC)No 1107/2009*

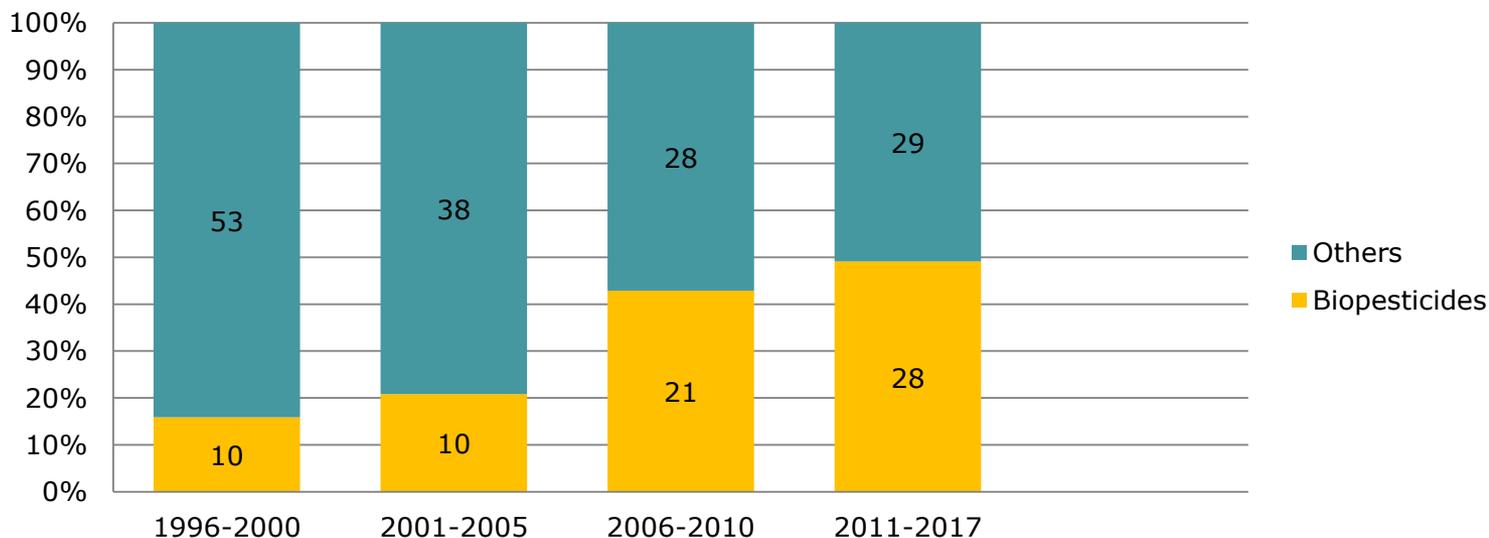


State of play: COM actions (2)

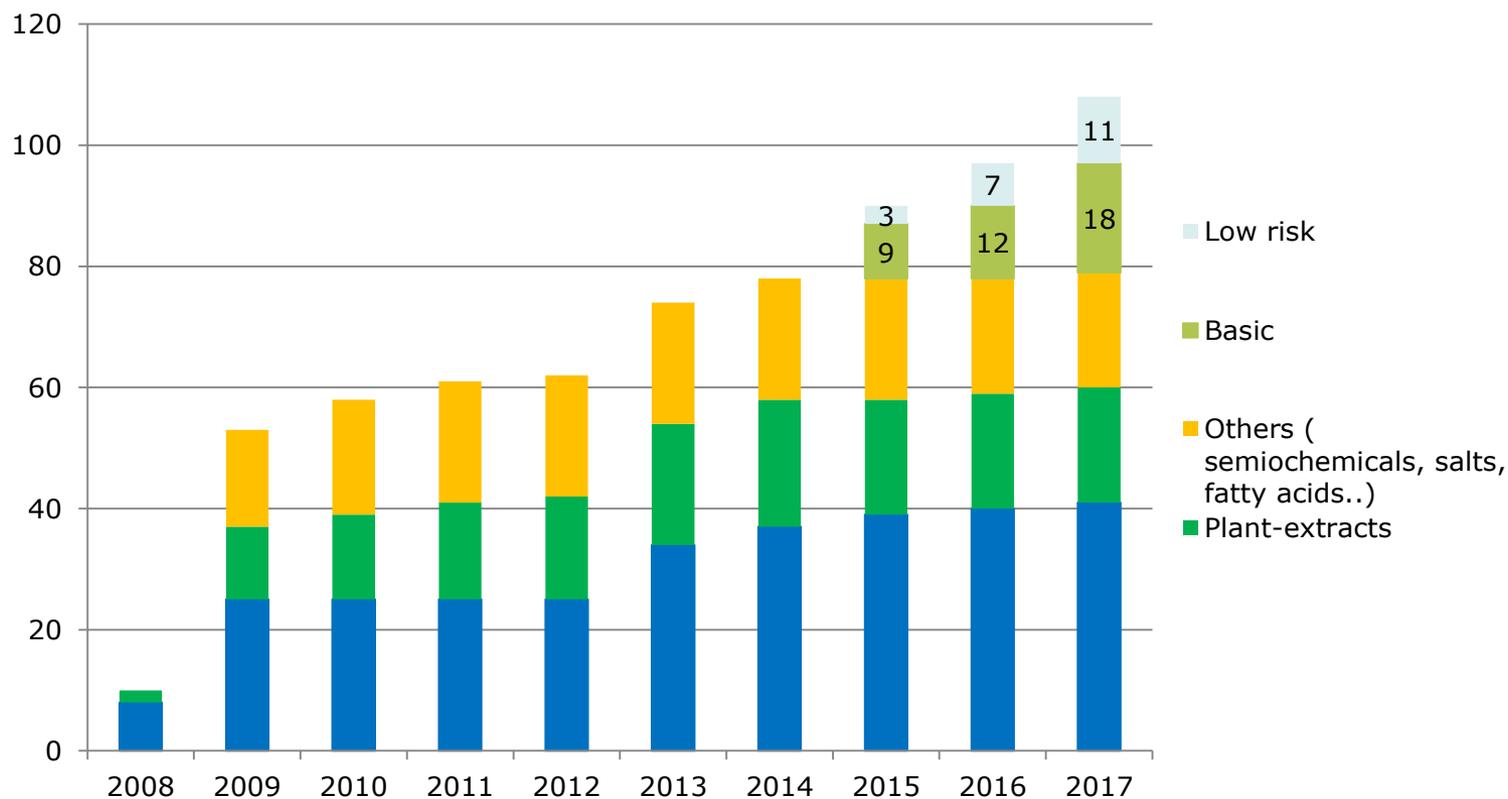
- *Continuous development of technical guidance for the assessment of substances :*
 - Biopesticides working group :
Guidance document on secondary metabolites produced by micro-organisms in preparation, discussion on multiple antimicrobial resistance
 - Working document on basic substances a new revision in preparation to reflect experience gained in these last years
 - Update guidance on zonal evaluation and mutual recognition to include procedure for low risk products
- *Specific focus to address low risk and basic substance issues within the ongoing REFIT evaluation*

More and more in new applications "biopesticides" since 1996

Application for new active substances since 1996



Approved low risk and basic substances



Future actions

- *Report on implementation plan of SUP group*
- *Progress ongoing (Biopesticides, Low risk, basic substances working groups)*
 - ✓ *Low risk: 15 November 2017*
 - ✓ *Bio-pesticides: 23 November 2017*
 - ✓ *Sustainable Plant Protection: 30 November 2017*
- *AIR 4 assessment*
- *Follow up on implementation of SUD*
- *REFIT....*



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https://ec.europa.eu/food/plant/pesticides_en