

HOW A BILL BECOMES A BETTER CAP?

Can a broken system be fixed?

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AS IT STANDS, THE CAP PROPOSAL MAY JEOPARDIZE FUTURE GENERATION'S ABILITY TO FARM

It promises increased environmental and climate ambitions

But lacks “teeth” and political will:

- **Greater flexibility does not go hand in hand with greater accountability**
- **The new “result-based” approach does not ask MSs to actually measure their environmental impacts/results**
- **Only secures money for decoupled income support; payment to transition towards sustainable food production are at risk in the current negotiations and likely implementation**

ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES ARE AT A CRITICAL STAGE

We have passed our **planet's environmental boundaries** by a long way. In France, **farmland birds have declined by 1/3** in just 15 years.

Commissioner Vella acknowledges that biodiversity **should be taking into account** in all sectors...

Yet the declaration signed **@COP14** does not mentioned the agricultural sector

Agriculture is a main driver of biodiversity loss, the next CAP must address it

NATIONAL CAP STRATEGIC PLANS WILL PLAY A KEY ROLE

e.g. UK plans to phase out decoupled direct payments and link payments to the provision of public goods

How can MSs strengthen environmental provision in their CAP strategic plans? i.e. have a race to the top?

Governance: How will CSOs be able to input into the process? What role should CSOs play in the drafting of the strategic plans?