

YOUNG FARMER TOOLS IN THE NEXT CAP: WHY SHOULD WE DOUBLE THE AMBITION?

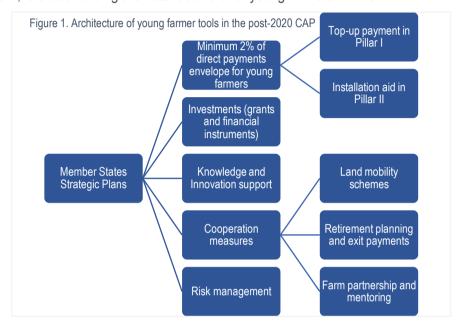
Assumption n°1: "The budget for young farmer tools is already doubled in the next CAP proposals".

FALSE! This assumption is based on the fact Member States spend an average of 0.8% of their direct payments on the payment for young farmers. However, in the next CAP, the proposed ring-fencing of 2% of national envelopes for direct payments is not just funding the tool in Pillar I; it is also funding the installation aid for young farmers in Pillar II.

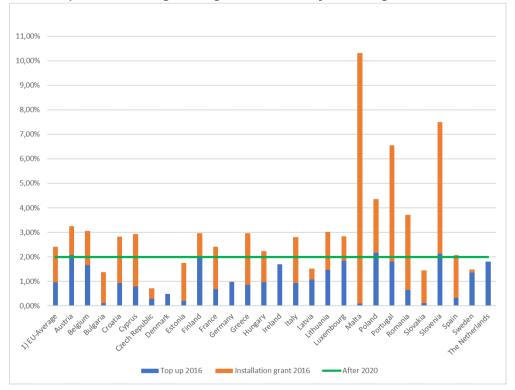
What does the proposal say?

As laid out in in Article 27(2) and Article 86(4) of the proposal for a Regulation on CAP Strategic Plans, the Commission proposes to apply a ring-fencing of 2% on national envelopes for direct payments targeting two of the most crucial tools dedicated to young farmers:

- Complementary income support for young farmers in Pillar I (Article 27);
- Installation aid for young farmers in Pillar II (Article 69).



Assumption n°2: "Ring-fencing at 2% will surely encourage Member States to do more for young farmers".



NOT NECESSARILY! According to calculations, only 8 Member States will be pushed by the ringfencing of 2% to do better than they are currently.

Figure 2. Current spending on young farmer tools with applied ring-fencing of 2% on post-2020 national envelopes for direct payments

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