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Evaluation and Revision of the SUD: The Crop Protection Industry Perspective

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Sustainable Use of Pesticides

Where are we today?



The SUD improved the situation, however...



- We recognise the Directive is setting the right focus, but **it should be refined and better implemented**
- The revision of the SUD is an opportunity to
 - Improve **IPM uptake**
 - foster the uptake of **innovative tools**
- *Embrace the wider **sustainability agenda***



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Focus on Integrated Pest Management

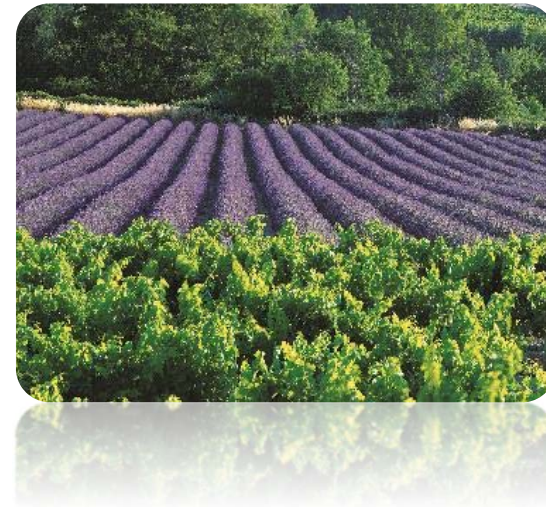


IPM consists of a wide-ranging toolbox of solutions for farmers to tackle an increasing range of pests and diseases – **pesticides and biopesticides are both essential elements in this toolbox.**

- There is no “one-size fits all” solution; IPM varies by crop, by MS and even by region.
- There is a severe lack of visibility of IPM guidelines. A centralized database is needed!
- Active dissemination of workable and practical best practices needs to be supported
- Uptake of best practices needs to be better tracked and monitored.



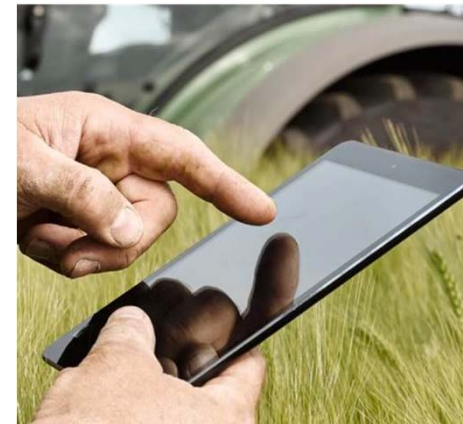
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Digital and Precision Agriculture



- The revision of the SUD is a chance to **unlock the potential of digital and precision agriculture**
- Weather and satellite models, pest alert systems, GPS, spot and rate application system **will support** farmers in further reducing risk and use of pesticides



- **Digitized PPP labels** would facilitate compliance with regulatory requirements and best practices
- Aerial application restrictions should be reviewed to allow **drone application**
- ***Precision and digital agriculture can significantly contribute to achieving the main goals of SUD***

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Training and Certification



- **Regular training and certification** should be the new normal
- A revised SUD revision should aim to:
 - *Ensure that training and certification schemes for farmers are **effective, kept consistently updated and monitored***
- Spraying equipment is changing rapidly
 - *Drive the **harmonization** of application technology standards across the EU and ensure control of compliance*



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Reduction Targets and Risk Indicators

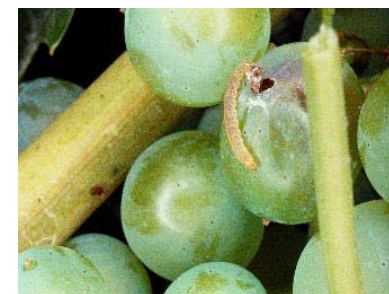


- CropLife Europe supports the EC's plans to add complementary indicators in order to consider **real world impacts** and **on-farm uptake of measures** that reduce risk and/or use

- Additional indicators which also cover agronomic conditions, uptake of IPM, agricultural productivity, water protection as well as consumer, operator and environmental safety should be added.

- Any reduction targets must be **practical, science-based** and **preceded by a comprehensive and holistic impact assessment**

- Such an exercise needs to look across all relevant EU strategies and provide a holistic assessment of the impact on the competitiveness and viability of EU agriculture.



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Innovation & Investment



Invest 4 billion euros into innovation in biopesticides by 2030.

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Innovation & Investment



Invest 10 billion euros into innovation in precision and digital technologies by 2030.

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Circular Economy



Ensure that a container collection scheme is available in all EU Member States by 2025 expanding the programme in two additional Member States each year.

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Establish an average 75% collection rate of plastic pesticide and biopesticide containers across EU Member States by 2025.

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Protecting People & the Environment



In order to further reduce operators' exposure, **make Closed Transfer Systems (CTS) technologies available to 100% of European farmers and operators by 2030.**

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Protecting People & the Environment



By 2030, train 1 million advisors and farmers on best management practices for farmer health protection – as well as for water and the environment.

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Thank you!

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