



Biopesticides specificities in the PPP framework – European Commission state of play

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Farm to Fork and pesticides

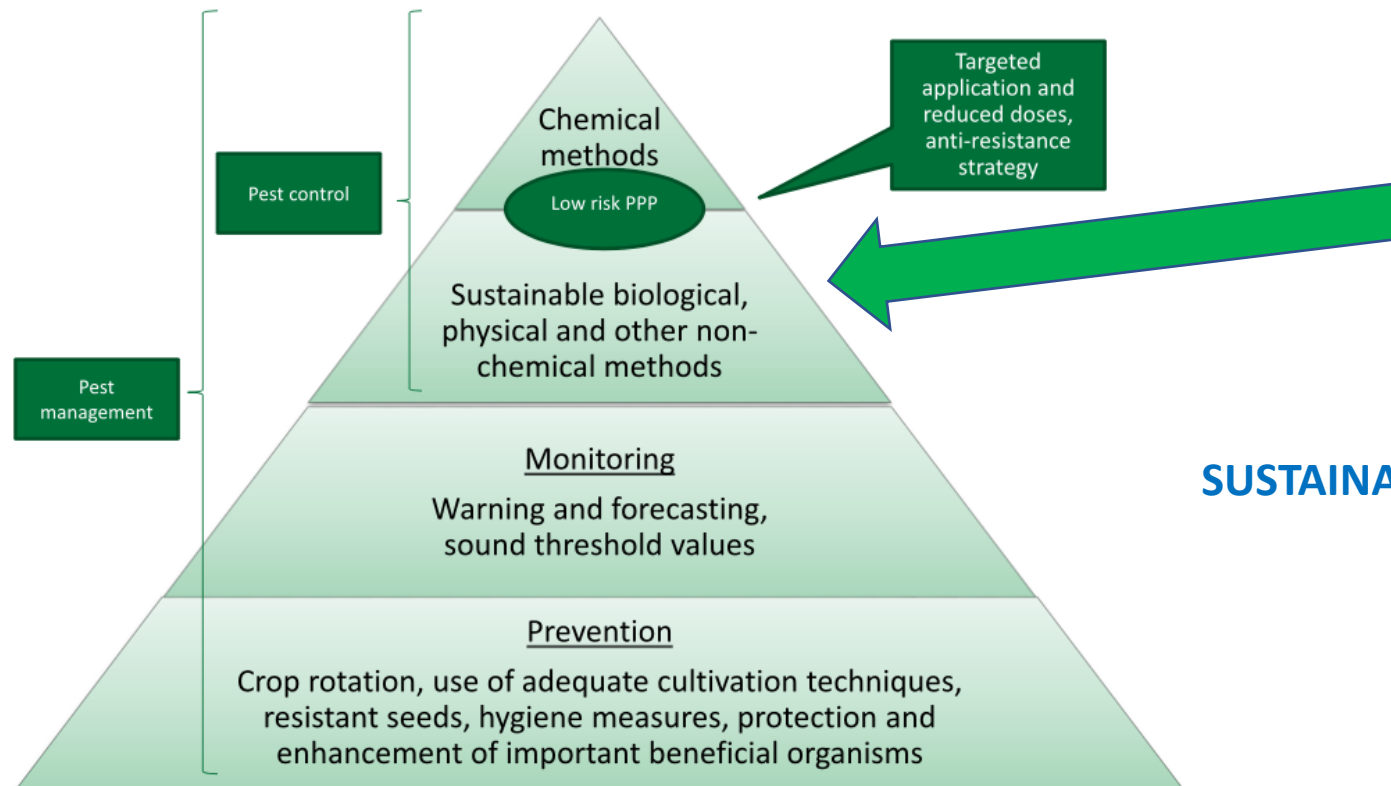


The use of pesticides in agriculture contributes to pollution of soil, water and air. The Commission will take actions to:

- ✓ reduce by 50% the use and risk of chemical pesticides by 2030.
- ✓ reduce by 50% the use of more hazardous pesticides by 2030.

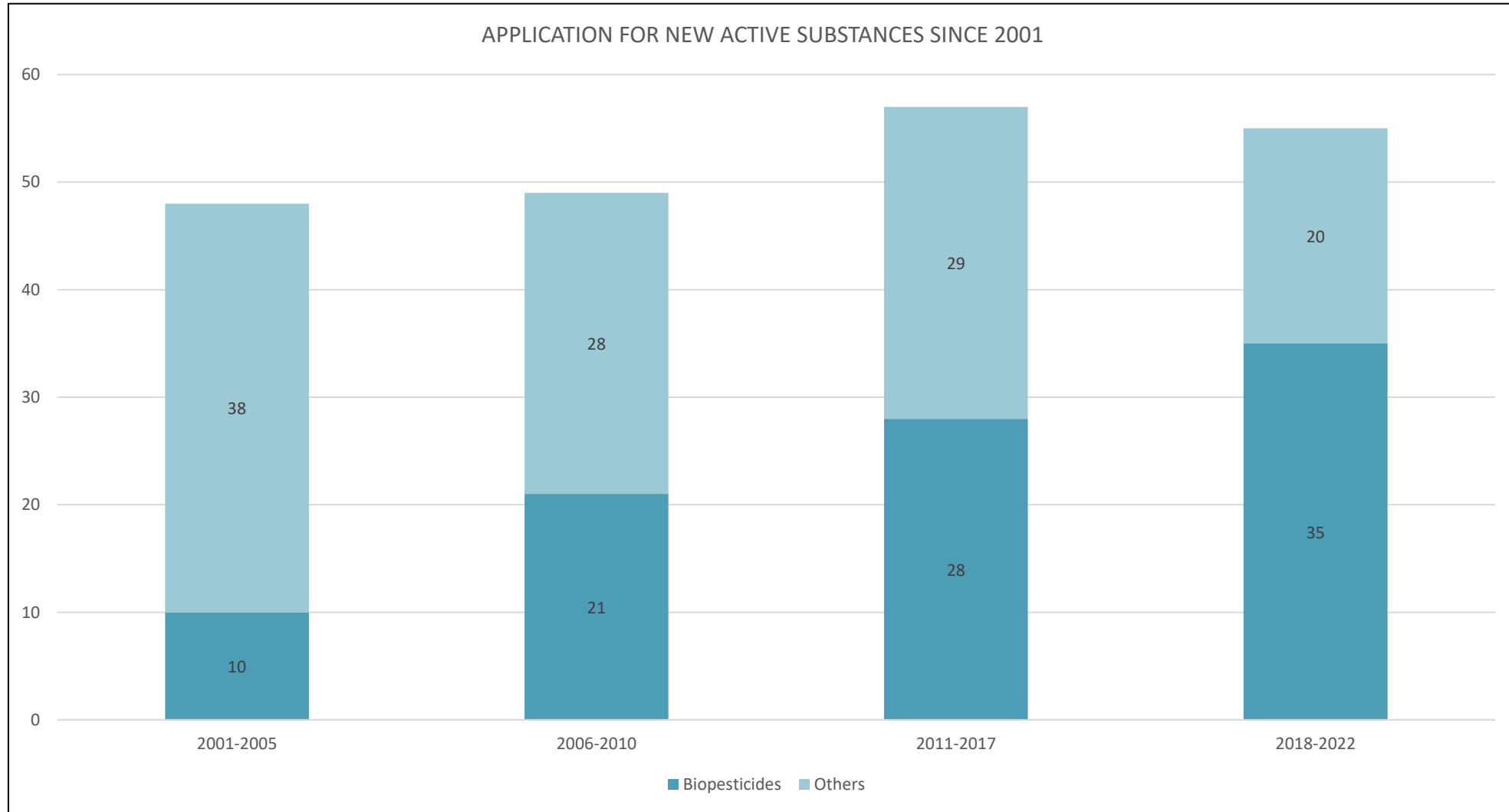


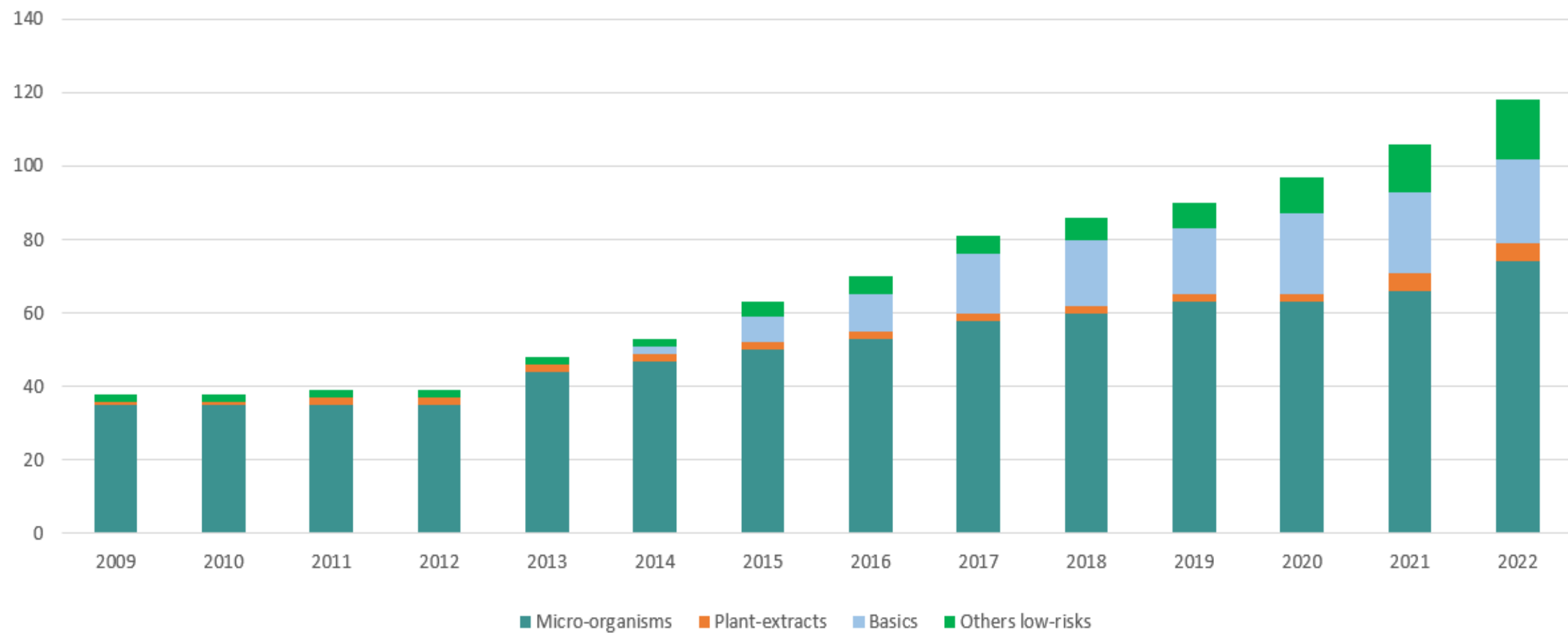
Organic farming is an environmentally-friendly practice that needs to be further developed. The Commission will boost the development of EU organic farming area with the aim to achieve 25% of total farmland under organic farming by 2030.



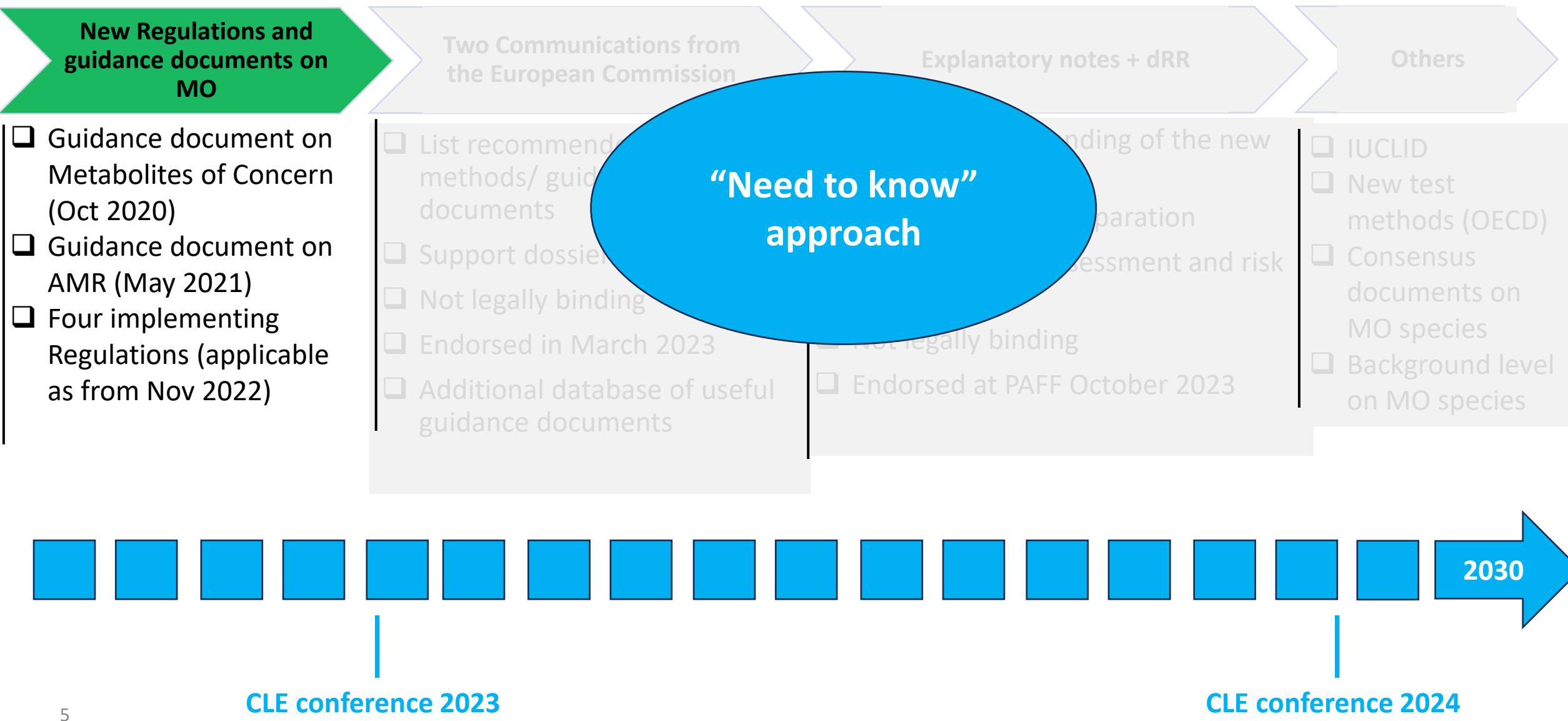
SUSTAINABLE USE OF PESTICIDES – IPM

Trends in applications for new active substances





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New Regulations and guidance documents on MO

- ☐ Guidance document on Metabolites of Concern (Oct 2020)
- ☐ Guidance document on AMR (May 2021)
- ☐ Four implementing Regulations (applicable as from Nov 2022)

Two Communications from the European Commission

- ☐ List recommended test methods/ guidance documents
- ☐ Support dossier-preparation
- ☐ Not legally binding
- ☐ Endorsed in March 2023
- ☐ Additional database of useful guidance documents

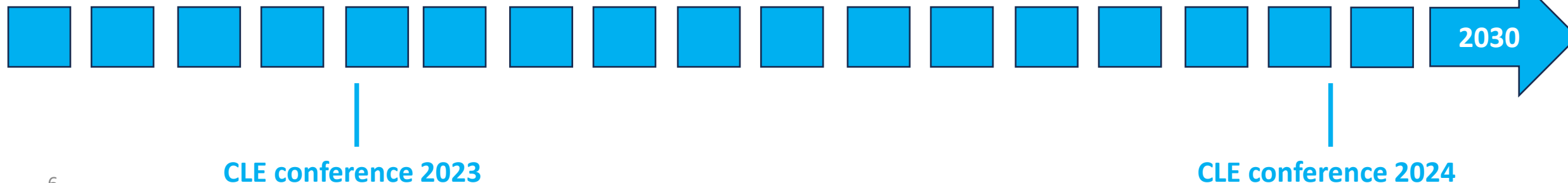
New database

- ☐ Will include both references included in the Commission Communications + others
- ☐ Support dossier-preparation (Not legally binding)
- ☐ List by section, or by document

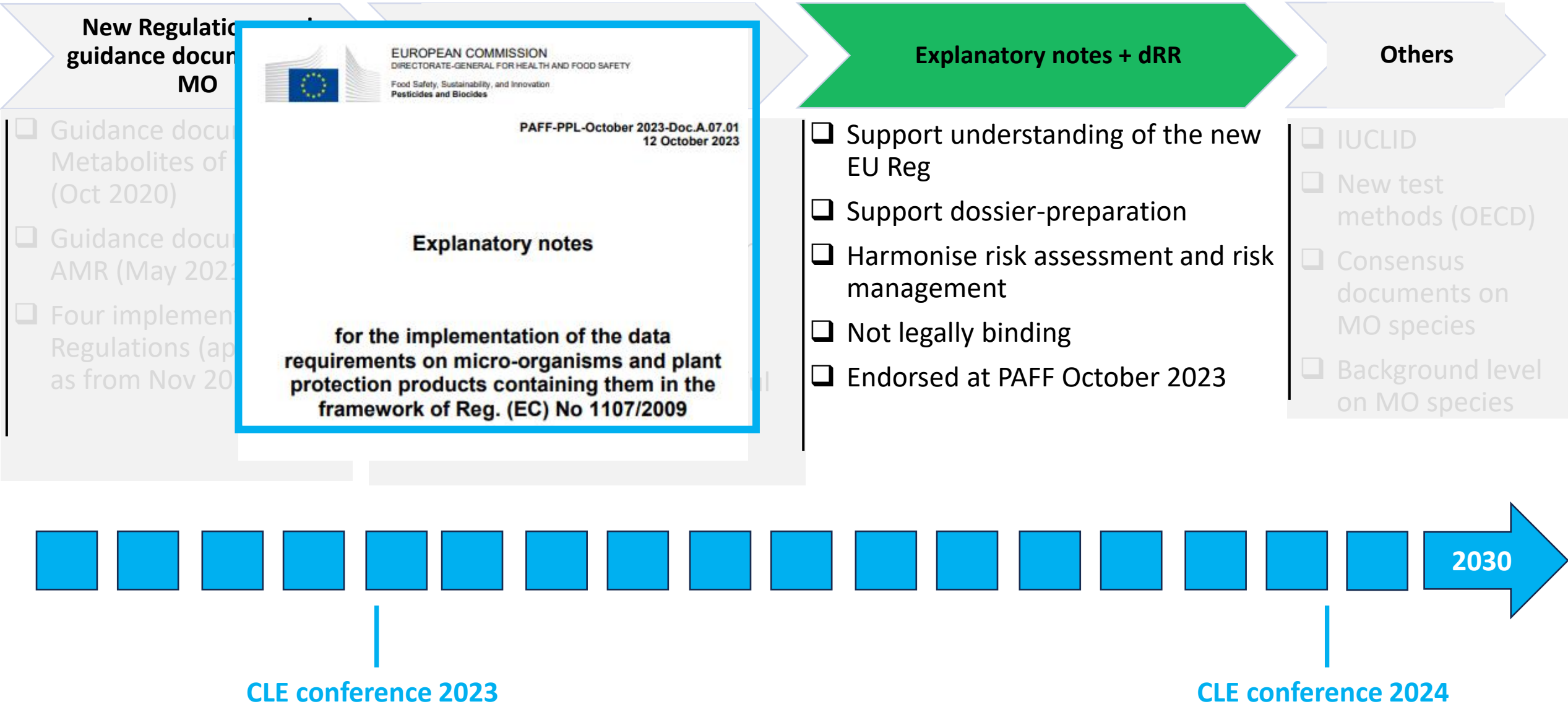
Active Substances

Active Substance Part B (micro-organisms)

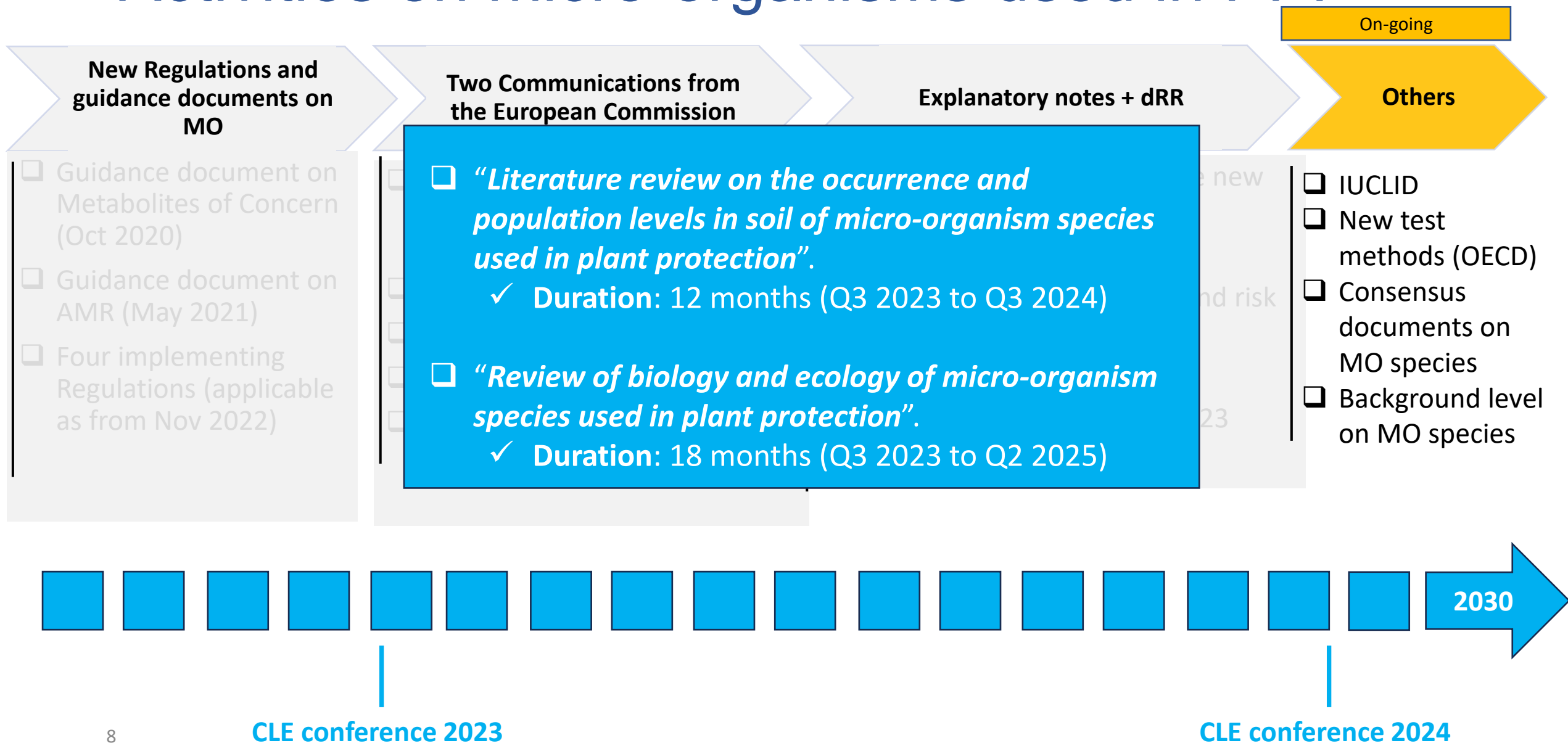
+ 0: General Guidance	6 documents
+ 1: Identity of the applicant, identity of the active substance and manufacturing information	2 documents
— 2: Biological properties of the micro-organism	4 documents
2.7: Genetic stability and factors affecting it	
• EFSA Statement on the requirements for whole genome sequence analysis of microorganisms intentionally used in the food chain (EFSA Journal 2021;19(7):6506) website	
2.8: Information on metabolites of concern	
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• EU Guidance document on the risk assessment of metabolites produced by microorganisms used as plant protection active substances (SANCO/2020/12258) website	



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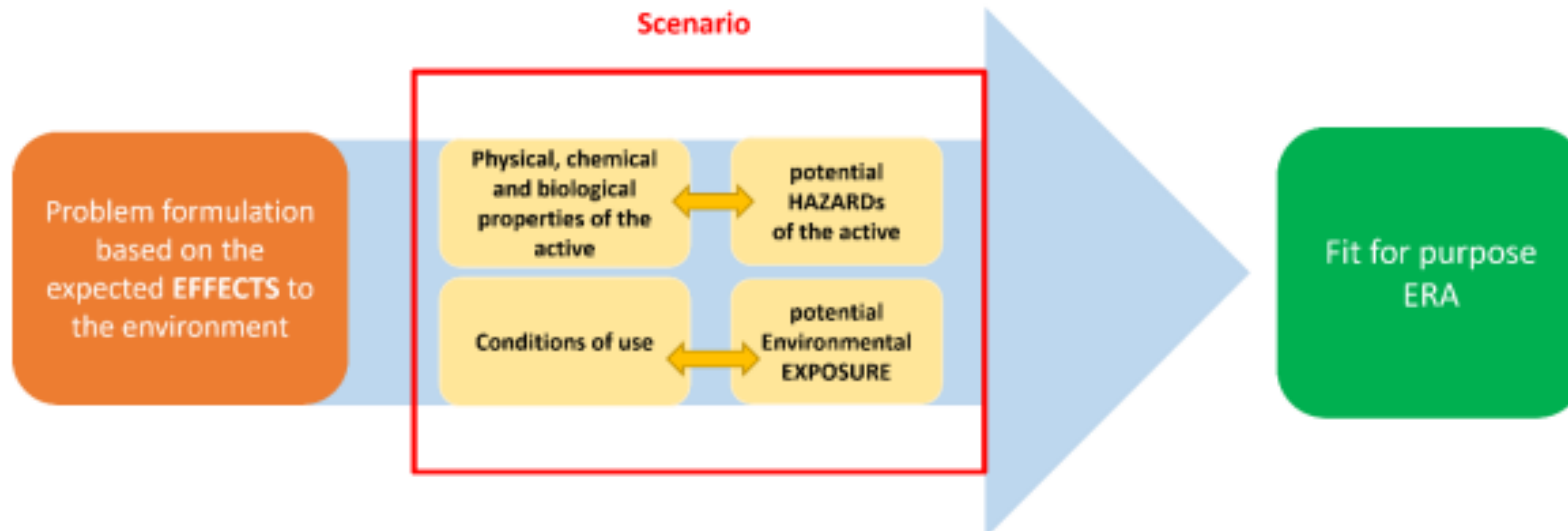


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Other biocontrol agents

- **Pheromones:** amendment of the GD on semiochemicals to extend the group of pheromones beyond the SCLP group – (Endorsed in Jan 2024)
- **Others (e.g., iRNA, peptides):** based on need-to-know approach (e.g. via point 1.5 introduction data requirements) and along the draft “Problem Formulation” document (Endorsed in Jan 2024)



Strengthening Member States capacity

- ❑ Better Training for Safer Food – Risk Assessment on Micro-organisms
 - ✓ since July 2021
 - ✓ target: risk assessors
 - ✓ as of today, 11 sessions held and about 350 officers were trained
 - ✓ training session still ongoing until March 2025

- ❑ Grants for MS to assess plant protection products
 - ✓ allocated to 6 MS (AT, EE, ES, LT, LV, and SK).
 - ✓ focusing on priority review of biocontrol

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