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1. Young farmers in Europe: the figures

2. Overview of the CAP response

3. Key types of intervention



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Share of farm managers below 35 years old per MS by sex in 2016









OVERVIEW

Attract young farmers and facilitate business development in rural areas

- Summary of the SWOT analysis:
 - access to land, land mobility and land restructuring
 - access to finance and credits
 - access to knowledge and advice

Overview of the generational renewal strategy, identifying a clear and coherent set of interventions, including the interplay with national instruments with a view of improving the consistency between Union and national actions

Top-up income support (I pillar) and/or lump-sum payment (II pillar)

Ring-fencing of the budget

- Cooperation
- Investments and financial instruments
- Agricultural Knowledge and Innovation System (AKIS)
- Risk management
- Other relevant rural development interventions





YOUNG FARMER shall be defined in a way that includes:

A maximum age limit that may not exceed 40 years

The conditions for being 'head of the holding'

The appropriate training and/or skills required





A RING-FENCED BUDGET FOR THE TWO MAIN TOOLS



Top-up: Complementary income support for young farmers (I pillar)

+ reserves for payment entitlements

Lump-sum: Installation grant for young farmers up to EUR 100,000 (II pillar)



And / Or



✓ COOPERATION, e.g.

- Farm partnerships between generations of farmers
- Retirement planning or lump-sum payments for farmers in the retirement age who permanently transfer their holding to a young farmer
- Farm succession or transition planning services
- Brokerage for land acquisition
- Innovative national or regional organisations engaged in promoting and facilitating matching services between young and old farmers
- LEADER





KEY TYPES OF INTERVENTION (2)

✓ INVESTMENTS

- **Preferential** conditions or priority via selection criteria may be set for young farmers and new entrants with higher risk profiles
- ✓ FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS
 - Purchase of land (exception for young farmers)
 - Support for **working capital**: key for young farmers, whose start-up difficulties often lie with high investments and low returns
 - **Preferential** conditions may be set for young farmers and new entrants with higher risk profiles

✓ RISK MANAGEMENT

 Working capital to overcome crises and a more flexible toolkit to better target the needs





- ✓ KNOWLEDGE, INNOVATION and DIGITALISATION as a CAP cross-cutting objective
 - Use of digital technology, e.g. area monitoring system; geo-spatial application (GSA)
 - Agricultural Knowledge and Innovation Systems (AKIS)
 - European Innovation Partnership (EIP) and Horizon Europe
 - Erasmus+
 - A certain share of the EAFRD may be used to finance actions in respect of transnational learning mobility with a focus on young farmers



THANK YOU !

REPORTS AND MORE INFORMATION :

On CAP legislative proposals, Impact Assessment and Background

https://ec.europa.eu/info/food-farming-fisheries/key-policies/common-agricultural-

policy/future-common-agricultural-policy_en

