


## The Framework Directive on the sustainable use of pesticides

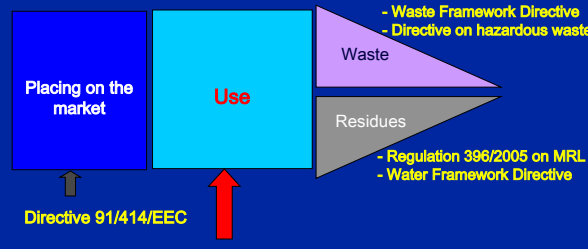
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## There is a legislative gap at EU level in the use-phase of pesticides




Directive 91/414/EEC

Thematic Strategy on the sustainable use of pesticides

Waste Framework Directive  
Directive on hazardous waste

Regulation 396/2005 on MRL  
Water Framework Directive


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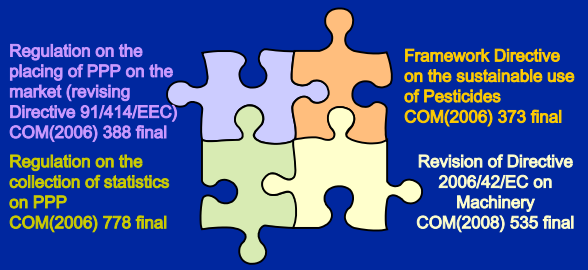
## Overall objective (Decision 1600/2002/EC)

- Achieve a more sustainable use of pesticides by reducing the risks and impacts of pesticide use on human health and the environment in a way that is consistent with the necessary crop protection
- Fill the EU legislative gap regarding the use-phase of pesticides
- « Pesticides » = PPPs first, then address risks from biocides use asap

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## The Thematic Strategy on the sustainable use of Pesticides



Regulation on the placing of PPP on the market (revising Directive 91/414/EEC)  
COM(2006) 388 final

Regulation on the collection of statistics on PPP  
COM(2006) 778 final


Framework Directive on the sustainable use of Pesticides  
COM(2006) 373 final

Revision of Directive 2006/42/EC on Machinery  
COM(2008) 535 final


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## Requirements under the FwD 1/2

- Member States establish National Action Plans (NAPs) with targets, measures and timetables to reduce risks (and use of certain products) 
- Access to training for professional users, distributors, advisors / Awareness raising for the general public
- Sufficient knowledge required to buy products authorised for professional use only and for distribution of products
- Regular inspection of application equipment in professional use

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## Requirements under the FwD 2/2

- Prohibition of aerial spraying with derogation possibility
- Protection of the aquatic environment and drinking water (buffer zones, low-drift equipment, reduction of use when risks of run-off)
- Prohibition or minimisation of pesticide use in specific areas
- Safe handling, storage and waste of pesticides
- Promotion of low pesticide input farming and IPM mandatory as from 2014
- Calculation of risk indicators to monitor progress

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## Main measures incorporated in the revision of Directive 91/414/EEC

- Stricter approval criteria
- Comparative assessment and substitution principle
- Record keeping on production, storage, use of products
- Strengthening of compliance monitoring

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## Measures proposed in the Regulation on collection of statistics

- Collection by Member States of data on placing on the market (annually) and use (with five-year intervals) for substances contained in PPP
- Data used for calculation of risk indicators at national level by Member States
- Aggregated data used for calculation of risk indicators at Community level by Commission

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## Revision of the Machinery Directive

- Machinery for pesticide application should be placed on the market only if it does not endanger the health or safety of persons or the environment
- Requirements for environmental protection to be incorporated in amended Directive 2006/42/EC on Machinery

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## Timetable for adoption

- Second-reading agreement found on the first two proposals – EP vote at second reading on 13 January 2009
- Publication in OJCE and entry into force in the Spring?
- Two years for the transposition of the Fw Directive (some delays for establishing certain provisions)
- Discussions still ongoing on the last two proposals

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## Contribution of FOOTPRINT

- Provide concrete tools for the implementation of the new policy:
  - Identification of areas and behaviour at risk
  - Allow well-informed decisions at different levels (farmer, authorities, policy makers)
- Establish risk indicators

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All the documents of the Thematic Strategy are available at:

<http://ec.europa.eu/environment/ppps/home.htm>

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## National Action Plans

- **National Action Plans (NAP) are established with stakeholders' participation and set up:**
  - Quantitative targets, measures and timetables to reduce risks
  - Monitoring of the use of pesticides containing active substances of particular concern, especially if alternatives are available
  - Timetables and targets for use reduction, in particular if it constitutes an appropriate means to achieve risk reduction
  - Measures to implement provisions under Art.5 to 14
- **Reporting obligation for the Commission: on NAP content in 2014 / on target implementation in 2018**
- **Review of NAPs at least every five years**

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