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INFORMATION

From: To:	General Secretariat of the Council Delegations
Subject:	CAP reform in the second half of 2019 (focus on the period July-October 2019) - General information and Finnish Presidency roadmap for the Regulation on CAP Strategic Plans

On behalf of the incoming Finnish Presidency, delegations will find attached a document on the CAP reform in the second half of 2019, with a focus on the period July-October 2019, accompanied by a Presidency roadmap on the Regulation on CAP Strategic Plans for the same period.



CAP reform in the second half of 2019

Focus on the period July-October 2019

Our objectives

- To advance the negotiations **as far as possible**, taking into account the uncertainties linked, amongst others, to the MFF timetable, Brexit and the European Parliament's future procedure
- At least to produce an **updated set of draft legal texts** by the end of the Presidency. If the developments so allow, especially in the MFF negotiations, to reach a Council General Approach

Working method

- At **Working Party** level technical work needs to continue. Open/political issues will be taken forward to the SCA
- The **SCA** should prepare the Council discussions and try to "close" as many points as possible
- Outstanding political issues should be discussed at Council level
- Central themes for the Council during the first months of the Finnish Presidency should be the **environmental architecture** and the **new delivery model**

Working Party meetings (until October)

Working Party on Horizontal Agricultural Questions (WP HAQ)

July: 4-5 September: 12-13, 25 October: 9-10, 31 Working Party on Financial Agricultural Questions (AGRIFIN)

July: 18 September: 19 October: 2, 25 Working Party on Agricultural Products

October: 25 (tbc)

For the work on the **Horizontal** and **CMO Regulations**, it is foreseen to report to the SCA and to address the Council as appropriate. For the **CAP Strategic Plans Regulation**, a dedicated roadmap is provided in the following page

CAP Strategic Plans Regulation roadmap – July-October 2019

