



Incentives for generation change: a Young Farmers Package

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CEJA

A non-profit organisation which represents young farmers' interests towards the EU institutions

- Defends and promotes the interests of YF to EU stakeholders
- Inform YF on agricultural topics at the European level
- Knowledge exchange through seminars and conferences
- Establishing common positions to deliver to policymakers
- Lobbying in Brussels arena

History of CEJA



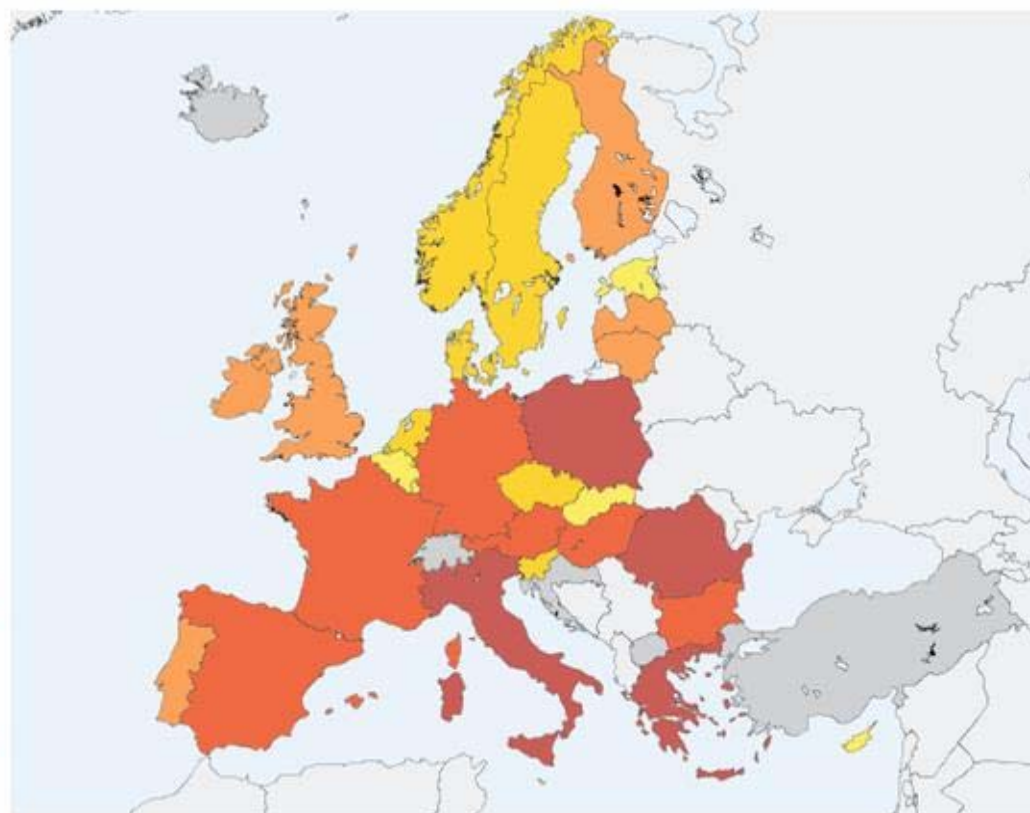
- Founded in Rome, Italy in 1958
- Originally: **6** members of the EEC
- Current: **28** member organisations and 1 observer member from 22 Member States
- The voice of more than 1 million European Young Farmers

28 member organisations from across Europe



Only 6% of farmers are under 35 in Europe

Share of total (%)	
Poland	12.3
Czech Republic	9.8
Austria	9.7
Finland	9.1
France	7.9
Germany	7.7
Hungary	7.6
Latvia	7.2
EU-25	7.1
Greece	7.0
Ireland	6.9
EU-27	6.1
Denmark	6.0
Belgium	5.9
Estonia	5.6

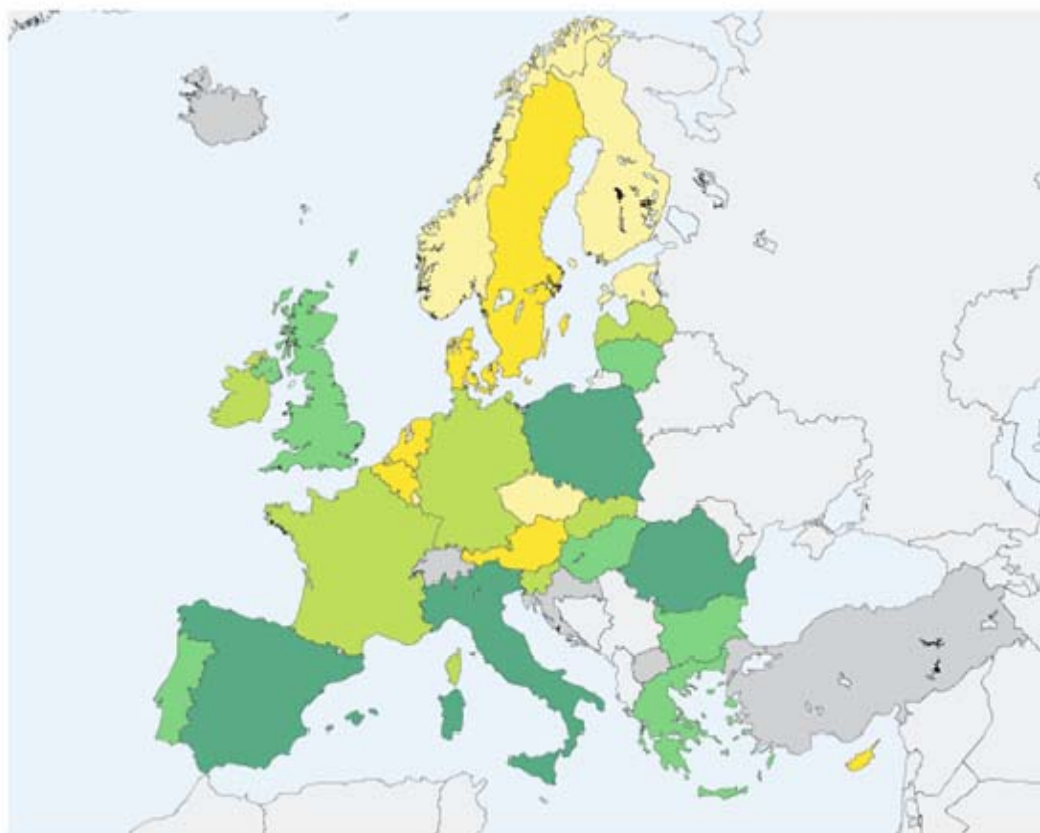


Share of total (%)	
Portugal	1.9
Cyprus	2.5
United Kingdom	2.6
Italy	2.9
Bulgaria	3.1
Slovakia	3.6
Netherlands	3.9
Slovenia	4.0
Lithuania	4.2
Malta	4.2
Romania	4.3
Spain	4.5
EU-15	5.0
Luxembourg	5.3
Sweden	5.5

Source: EUROSTAT

More than 1/3 of farmers are over 65 in Europe

Share of total (%)	
Finland	6.2
Germany	7.5
Austria	11.0
France	15.4
Luxembourg	15.9
Poland	16.2
Netherlands	18.2
Czech Republic	18.5
Denmark	20.3
Belgium	21.2
Sweden	21.6
Ireland	24.9
Malta	25.4
Hungary	27.8
EU-25	28.8



Share of total (%)	
Portugal	48.3
Bulgaria	45.3
Romania	45.0
Italy	44.5
Lithuania	40.7
Greece	37.4
Spain	36.6
Slovenia	35.0
EU-27	34.1
EU-15	33.8
Estonia	33.3
Slovakia	32.9
United Kingdom	32.6
Cyprus	29.5
Latvia	29.4

Source: EUROSTAT

European Parliament report

8 July 2010:

“Points out that there is an urgent need to attract younger generations and women to rural areas through long-term policies and to provide new and alternative economic opportunities for them to ensure a sustainable rural population;”

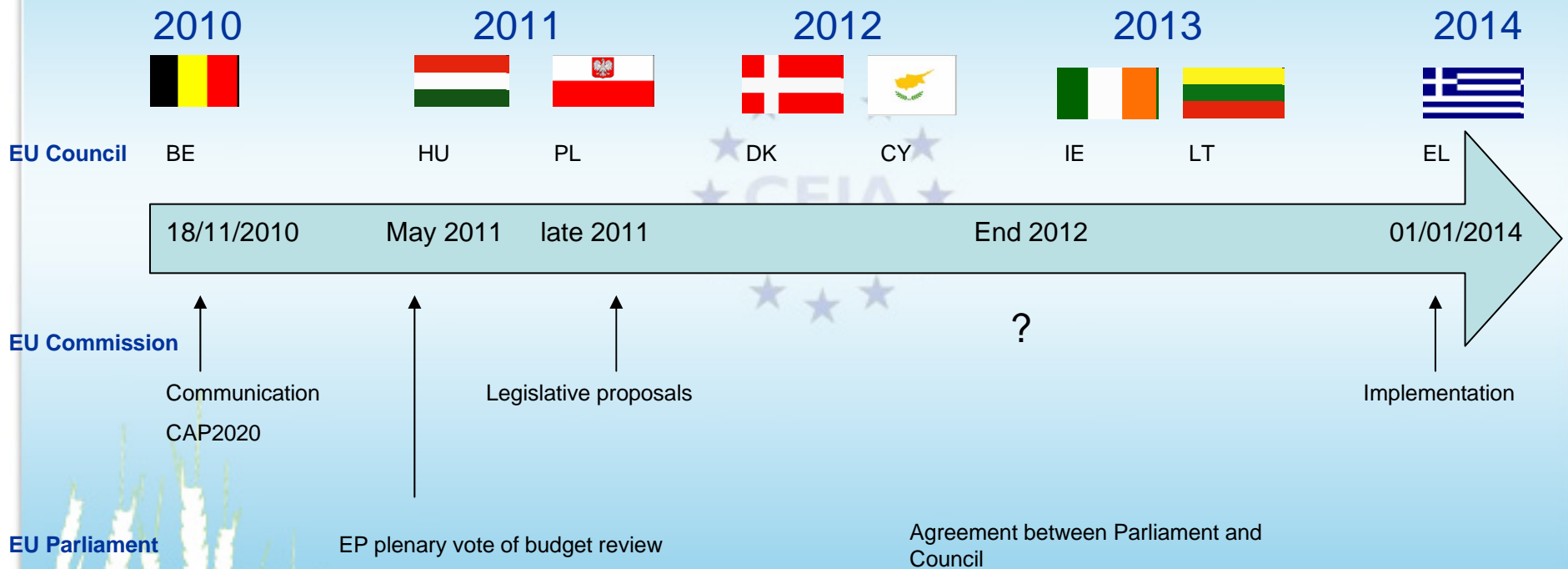


Barriers to entry and farm takeover

- Access to land
- Access to credit
- High installation costs
- Profitability



CAP post 2013 reform



CAP towards 2020 must address renewal of generations

- Young Farmers prioritised with strong installation policy (Young Farmers Package)
- Reform of model of payments
- Targeting 'active farmers'
- Public goods and environmental services
- Market measures and safety nets
- EU protein plan

Young Farmers Package

- Installation aid compulsory across EU
- Top up payment in Pillar 1
- Revised rate of co-financing 80/20% in Pillar 2
- Young farmers reserve fund
- Knowledge vouchers
- Early retirement schemes
- Educational exchange programmes

Thank you for your attention

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