

Regulatory barriers and opportunities

- **What are the main regulatory instruments?**
- **CAP**
 - **Current programming period (2014 - 2020)**
 - **Next programming period (2021 – 2027)**
- **Other stuff...**
 - **EU funds (LIFE, Interreg, others...)**
 - **National funds**

The current CAP (2014-2020)

- **Two “Bits”**
 - Pillar I (EAGF): Direct Payments, 30% “greening”
 - Pillar II (EAFRD): Multiple measures to meet policy objectives
- **Legislative Baseline (cross-compliance)**
- **Commission Regulations (4), Delegated and Implementing Acts**
- **Still not finalised (IE - ANCs, LLAES, LEADER, etc.)**
- **Change is slow (RDP amendments; new regs)**
- **Where do RBAPS fit (coherence, additionality, etc.)**
 - What measure (AEC, N2k, EIP, Co-operation, LEADER)?

The next CAP (2021-2027 (ish))

- **Blank Slate (?)**
- **Timing a huge and influential issue (good and bad!)**
- **EU Budget (Brexit and other priorities):**
 - Tajani “need to target security, immigration, youth unemployment and climate change” and “slash the lavish sums devoted to its prime beneficiaries: farmers”
- **Results-based already flagged as a policy priority:**

Cork 2.0 “Confident that a result-orientated Common Agricultural and Rural Development Policy with a strengthened strategic approach is a key instrument to deliver on EU priorities” and “Preserving the Rural Environment” is one of the ten identified priorities

Thoughts on where now for RBAPS

- **EU Policies**

- **Uncertainty and timescale with MFF and CAP negotiations**
- **Next RDPs may be quite far away (5+ years)**
- **How to maintain momentum – capacity building, etc.**
- **Is there political will for change to current programmes?**
- **Can LIFE, Interreg or LEADER offer opportunities?**
- **What other options exist in the current period?**

- **National opportunities**

- **Strategic delivery across MS & coherence with EU policy**
- **Where does the money come from?**