

Synthesis of the first seminar day – ideas for CAP 27

1. Nutrient circulation, soil health, water protection

- Clear policy goals
- Impact assessment
- Measures to enhance value chains including business development, investment support and co-operation – support to manure processing entrepreneurs, investment support for machines used together, mobilisation of excess grass biomasses through investments for biogas plants

2. Biodiversity

- New businesses around heritage biotopes- development projects, training, business support
- Dissemination of information on importance and possibilities – at national and regional and local level
- Ambitious goals for biodiversity preservation

3. Climate change mitigation

- Mitigation brings a new income source for farms-trials on payment systems, co-operation projects involving research institutes, advisers and farmers
- Invest in highly productive parcels to preserve soils structure and productivity-training and advisory services
- New technologies into use for farmers and three way information flow between farmers and administration and researchers-investments support, advisory services, co-operation projects

4. Climate change adaptation

- Training of advisors in improved risk management and business planning taking into account the challenges of climate change
- Drainage systems must be upgraded to new rainfall patterns- high enough investment of drainage (mainly national?)
- Real diverse crop rotation systems including year round plant cover- ha-based support, advisory services, co-operation between farmers

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5. Information sharing and farmer motivation

- Nationwide register of projects from different financing systems with numbers and results
- Farmers environmental stocktaking- with checklist to make the work done visible
- Small group advisory system functional in the new plan

6. Environmental impact of food, consumer information, Finnish food brand

- Facts on climate impact of food production to develop a credible brand – national campaigns and local brand development with projects
- Actions to inform children and young people of the production and qualities of local food – national campaigns, school curriculum development, local development projects
- More information on water foot print and the importance of clean water as part of the brand