

# Resource Efficient Rural Areas: Support programmed through RDPs across the EU

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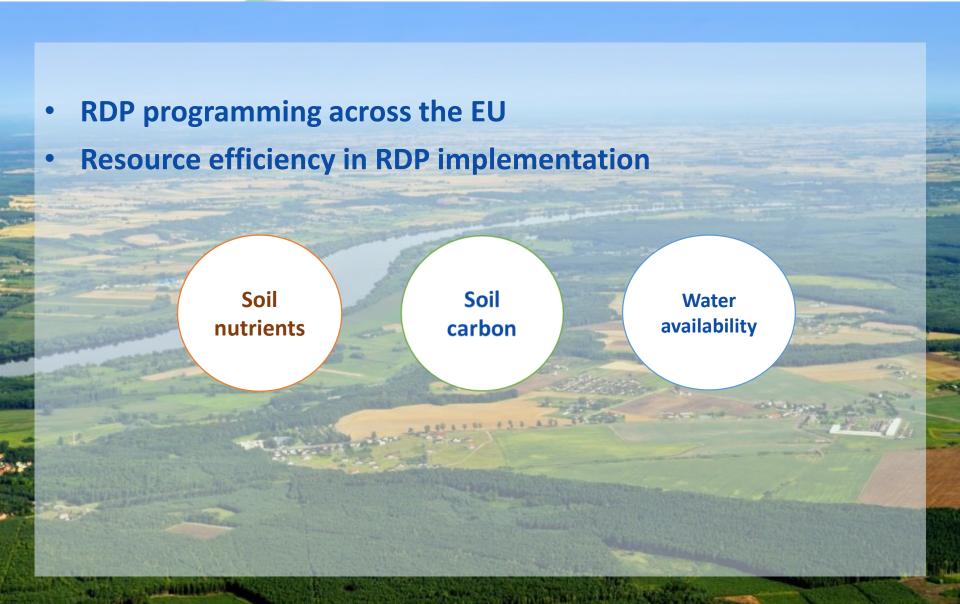
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## **Outline**

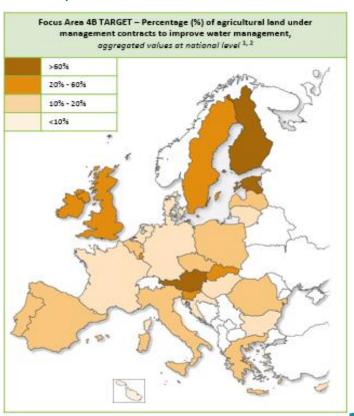




## RDP programming: Soil nutrients (1)

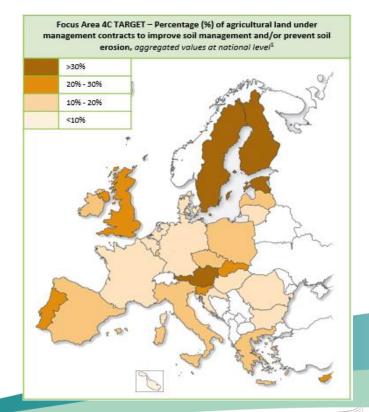
Focus Area 4B: Improving water management, including fertiliser and pesticide management

 108 RDPs set a target for water management on agricultural land, while 37 RDPs for forestry land



Focus Area 4C: Preventing soil erosion and improving soil management

 108 RDPs address soil management on agricultural land, while 55 for forestry land



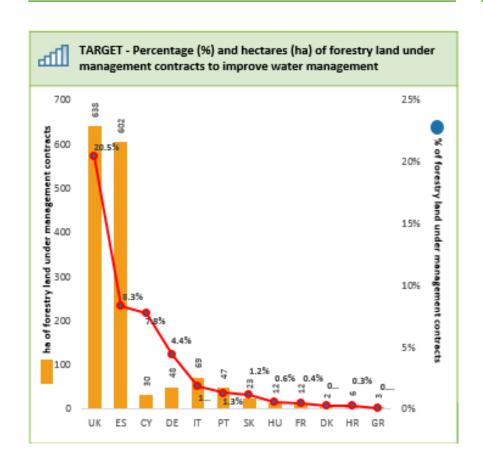


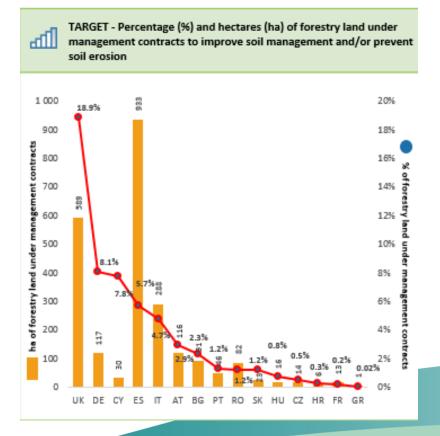


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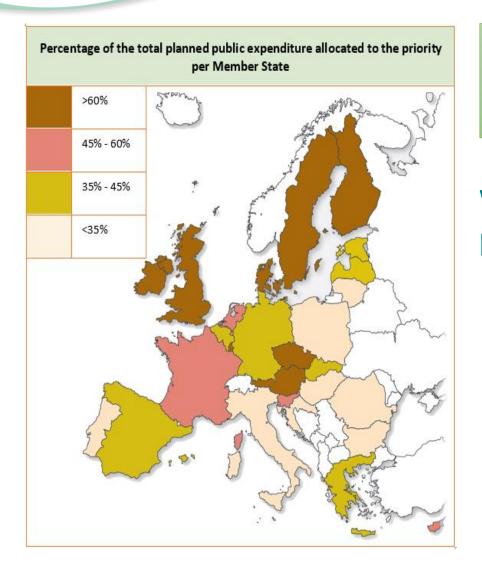








## RDP programming: Soil nutrients (2)



Priority 4: restoring, preserving and enhancing ecosystem dependent on agriculture and forestry

Wide variation in total planned public expenditure:

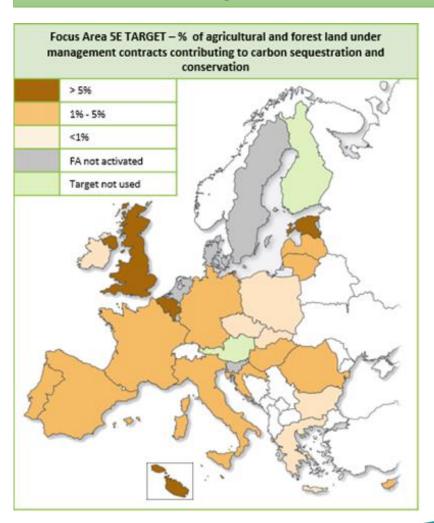
- From 9 billion € in France (54%)
- To 52,500 € in Malta (0.02%)





## RDP programming: Soil carbon (1)

#### Focus Area 5E: Fostering carbon conservation and sequestration in agriculture and forestry



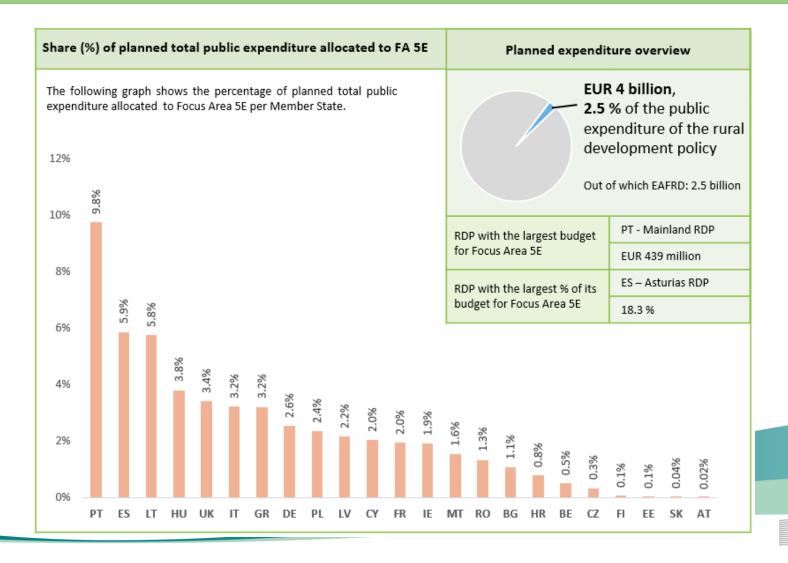
- Almost 80% of total RDPs (88 out of 118) have set targets for agriculture and forestry land
- Wide variation among targets:
  - From 15% in Estonia
  - To 0.02% in Slovakia





## RDP programming: Soil carbon (2)

#### Focus Area 5E: Fostering carbon conservation and sequestration in agriculture and forestry



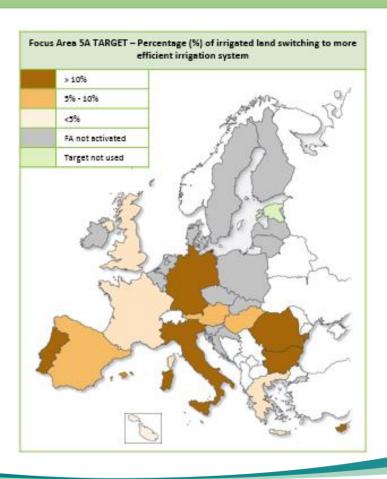




## RDP programming: Water availability (1)

Priority 5: promoting resource efficiency and supporting the shift towards a low-carbon and climate-resilient economy in the agriculture, food and forestry sectors

Focus Area 5A: Increasing efficiency in water use by agriculture



# Wide variation in target setting:

- 50% for Bulgaria
- 1% for the UK

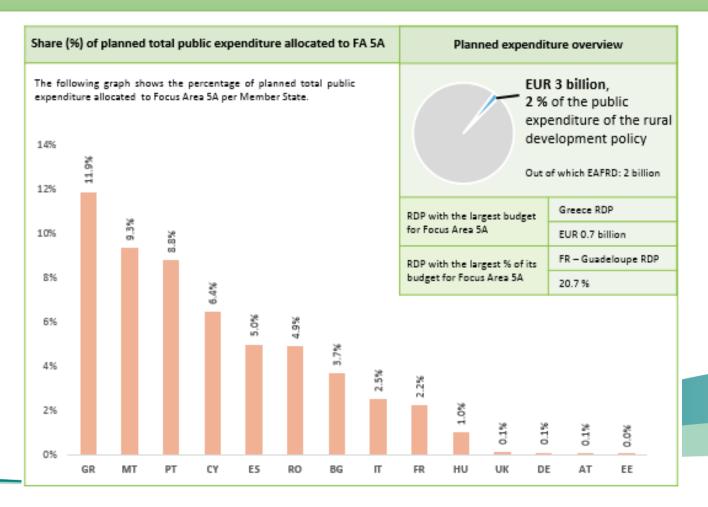




## RDP programming: Water availability (2)

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#### Focus Area 5A: Increasing efficiency in water use by agriculture







## **Resource efficiency in RDP implementation\***

#### **Soil nutrients**

#### Measures mix

- Agri-environment-climate measure (M10) plays a key role (BG, FI and Brittany)
- In several cases coupled with non-productive investments (BG, Emilia-Romagna, FI and Brittany)
- Investments in physical assets (BG, Extremadura and Brittany)
- Organic farming (M11) to reduce chemical inputs to land
- Knowledge transfer and advice (Extremadura, North Rhine Westphalia and Scotland)

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## **Resource efficiency in RDP implementation\***

#### Soil carbon

Lack of compiled information on implementation choices

- Investments in forestry (M8) have key role about 70% of EU-28 expenditure is allocated to that under the relevant Focus Area
- Agri-environment-climate measure (Emilia-Romagna and Poland)

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## **Resource efficiency in RDP implementation\***

## Water availability

#### Measures mix

- Investment in physical assets (M4) to enhance water saving irrigation systems (BG, Emilia-Romagna, Extremadura) or reduce pollution (North Rhine Westphalia)
- Non-productive investments (M4.4) are used to complement agri-environment-climate measures (M10) (BG, Emilia-Romagna, Fl and Brittany)
- Agri-environment-climate measure both relevant to water availability and soil management

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# Thank you for your attention!

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