



Framework Directive on the Sustainable Use of Pesticides

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Legal basis

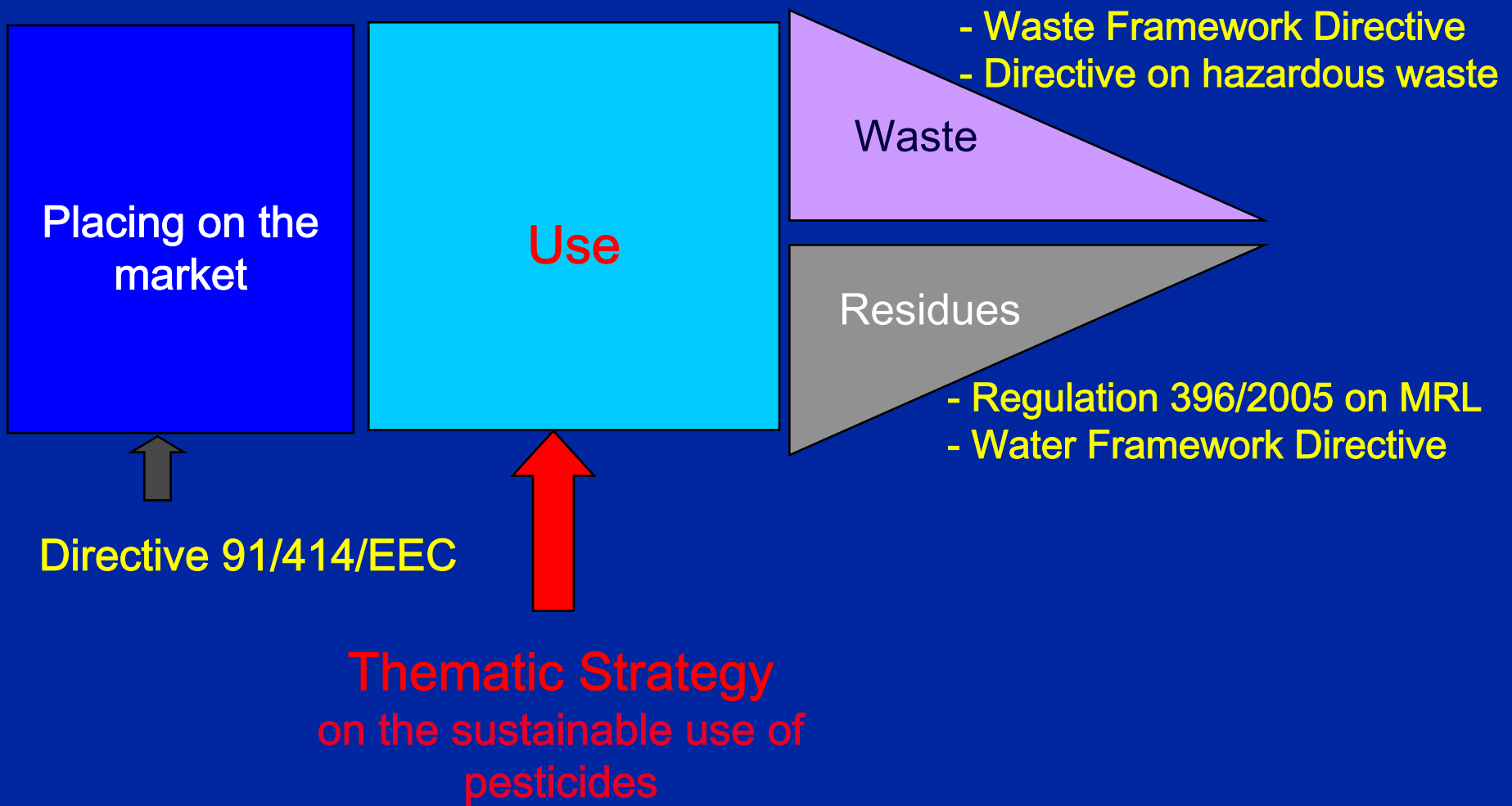
The Sixth Environment Action Programme (2002-2012) calls for 7 Thematic Strategies, including

The Thematic Strategy on the Sustainable Use of Pesticides

To achieve a more sustainable use of pesticides and a significant reduction in risks & use of pesticides consistent with the necessary crop protection



There was a legislative gap at EU level in the use-phase of pesticides





Thematic Strategy overall objective

- **Fill the EU legislative gap regarding the use-phase of pesticides**
 - **Reduce risks & impacts of pesticide use on human health & environment in a way that is consistent with the necessary crop protection**
 - **« Pesticides » PPPs first, then address risks from biocides use asap**
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The Thematic Strategy on the Sustainable Use of Pesticides

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Regulation revising
Directive 91/414/EEC
COM(2006) 388 final

ENV

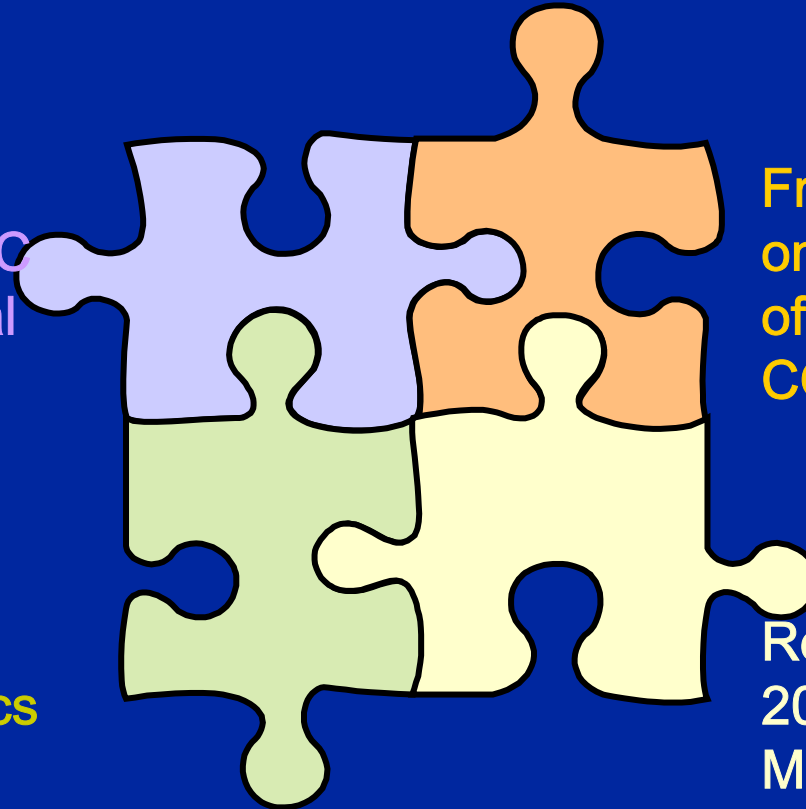
Framework Directive
on the sustainable use
of Pesticides
COM(2006) 373 final

EUROSTAT

Regulation on the
collection of statistics
on PPP
COM(2006) 778 final

ENTR

Revision of Directive
2006/42/EC on
Machinery
COM(2008) 535 final





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***Reduce risks and impacts
of pesticide use on
human health & environment
in a way that is consistent with the
necessary crop protection***



Key elements

- **National Action Plans**
- **Training, Sales of pesticides, Information & Awareness raising**
- **Pesticide application equipment**
- **Specific practices and uses:** *aerial spraying, information to the public, aquatic environment & drinking water, specific areas, handling & storage, Integrated Pest Management*
- **Indicators, reporting and information exchange**

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FWD - Art. 4 National Action Plans

- **Member States to establish NAPs**
 - **Targets, measures, timetables to reduce risks**
 - **Timetables, targets to reduce use**
 - **Indicators to monitor use of pesticides of concern**
 - **Measures to implement provisions under Art.5-15**
 - **Stakeholders' involvement in preparing NAPs**
 - **Reporting obligation: MS to communicate NAPs to COM in 2012; for COM: on NAP content in 2014 / on target implementation in 2018**
 - **Review of NAPs at least every five years**
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FWD: Training, Sales, Information & Awareness raising

- **All professional users, distributors, advisors access to appropriate training – Certification systems by 2013**
- **Restrict sales of pesticides for professional use to persons holding a certificate**
- **Information & awareness raising for general public**



FWD – Art. 8

Inspection of equipment in use

- 1. Regular inspection of PAE for professional use: at least every 5 years until 2020, every 3 years after 2020**
 - 2. By 2016: PAE for professional use inspected at least once**
 - 3. Derogation**
 - 4. Inspections to verify that PAE satisfy essential requirements (Annex II)**
 - 5. Regular calibrations and technical checks**
 - 6. Responsible bodies for inspections - certificate system**
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FWD - Art. 9 Aerial spraying

- **Prohibition of aerial spraying**
 - **Derogation possibility: Member States to define crops, areas and particular requirements for application where aerial spraying may be authorised**
 - **Essential conditions for derogations**
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FWD: Protection of aquatic environment & drinking water (Art.11)

- **Preference to less hazardous pesticides**
- **Preference to most efficient application techniques in the vicinity of water bodies - Low-drift equipment**
- **Buffer zones adjacent to water courses and areas for abstraction of drinking water**
- **Reduction of use when risks of run-off**



FWD: Safe handling, storage and waste of pesticides (Art.13)

Member States to ensure that human health & the environment are not endangered by

- **Storage, handling, dilution, mixing**
- **Handling of packaging & remnants**
- **Disposal of tank mixtures**
- **Cleaning of equipment**
- **Recovery/disposal of remnants/packaging in accordance with COM waste legislation**



FWD: Integrated Pest Management (Art. 14)

- **Promote low pesticide-input pest management: IPM and organic farming**
- **Establish necessary conditions for IPM implementation:**
 - **Information & tools for pest monitoring & decision-making**
 - **Advisory services**
- **General principles of IPM (Annex III) to be implemented by all professional users by 1/1/2014**
- **Crop or sector-specific IPM guidelines to be developed - implementation on a voluntary basis**

→ IPM Guidelines



FWD – Art. 15 Indicators

- **Harmonised risk indicators to be established**
 - **Risk indicators to be calculated by using statistical data (Regulation PPP Statistics)**
 - **To estimate trends in risks from pesticide use**
 - **To assess progress in reducing impact on human health/environment**
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FWD: Exchange of information & best practice (Art. 18)

- **The Thematic Strategy Expert Group**
- **First meeting: 4 June 2009**
- **Next meeting: 15 June 2010**
- **Mandate**



IMPLEMENTATION

- **Publication in OJCE: 24 November 2009**
- **Entry into force: 25 November 2009**
- **Transposition 14 December 2011**
- **Next steps:**
 - *Mandate TS Expert Group*
 - *IPM Guidelines*
 - *Next TS Expert meeting: 15 June 2010*



All the documents of the Thematic Strategy are available at:

<http://ec.europa.eu/environment/ppps/home.htm>

Thank you for your attention !