



# Consultation for the Impact assessment on the future CAP

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# Impact assessment process

- Impact assessments (IA) are necessary for the most important Commission initiatives and those having the most far reaching impacts.
- Impact assessment steering group
  - an inter-service group,
  - oversees the analytical work
- Impact Assessment Board (IAB)
  - Ensures the quality of IA
  - Issues opinions which accompany IA
- IA report and IAB opinion(s) go into inter-service consultation alongside the proposal and are later submitted to the College of Commissioners and to other EU institutions and published on-line with the proposal



## Impact assessment

“Impact assessment is a **process** aimed at structuring and supporting the development of policies.

It **identifies** and assesses the **problem** at stake and the **objectives** pursued.

It identifies the main **options** for achieving the objective and analyses their likely **impacts** in the **economic, environmental** and **social** fields.

It outlines advantages and disadvantages of each option and examines possible **synergies** and **trade-offs**”

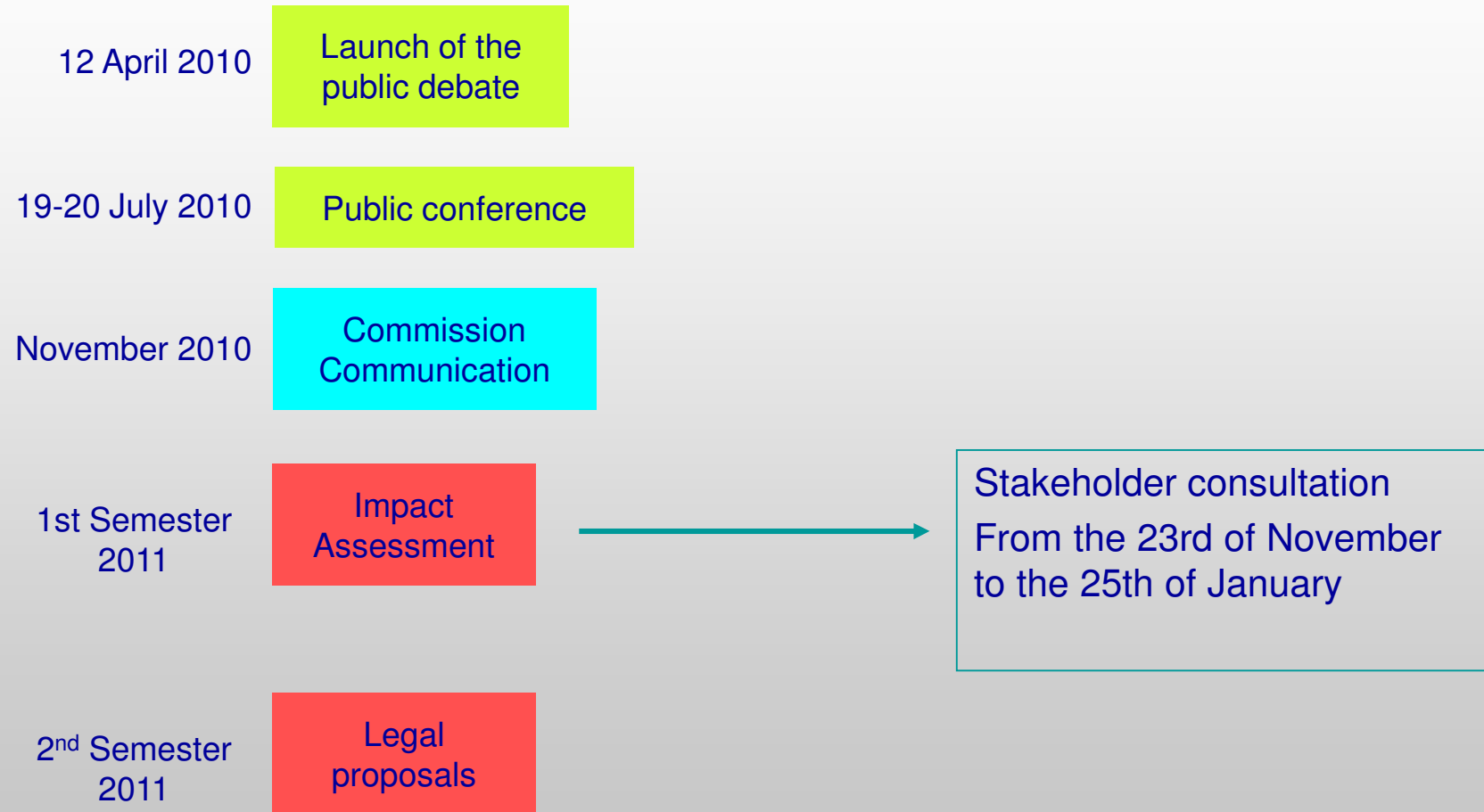


# IA Steering group

- Opportunity for other DGs to contribute their analysis and express early opinions on the proposals
- Composed of 19 DGs + representatives of AGRI
  - SG, BUDG, ECFIN, BEPA, ESTAT, COMP, ENTR, ENER, MARKT, OLAF, TRADE, DEVCO, ENV, CLIMA, EMPL, RTD, JRC, SANCO, REGIO
- Works on the basis of a commonly agreed mandate
- 10 meetings up till now on various elements of problem definition and analysis of options



# Timeline



# Stakeholder consultations

- A consultation document with 11 questions was presented to the stakeholders
- Objective: to validate and complement the diagnostic and help to evaluate the relevance, feasibility and consequences of policy options
- Stakeholders could send their contributions between 23 Nov 2010 and 25 Jan 2011
- An enlarged advisory committee took place on the 12th of January
- Around 450 contributions were received and a summary will be provided in the IA report, with contributions available publicly



# The Consultation document

## Questions

- **Policy scenarios**
  - consistency with the reform, problem definition, relevance and adequacy of policy instruments
- **Impacts**
  - overall impact, and specific focus on strengthening of producer and inter-branch organizations, risk management tool, environmental and climate-change benefits from the greening of the CAP, rural development budget, reinforced strategic targeting, impacts of a "no policy" scenario
- **Monitoring and evaluation**
  - control and compliance, administrative costs and burdens, indicators elements of uncertainty



# Who answered the consultation?

1. For the purpose of the analysis of this consultation you want to be identified as: -multiple choices reply- (compulsory)

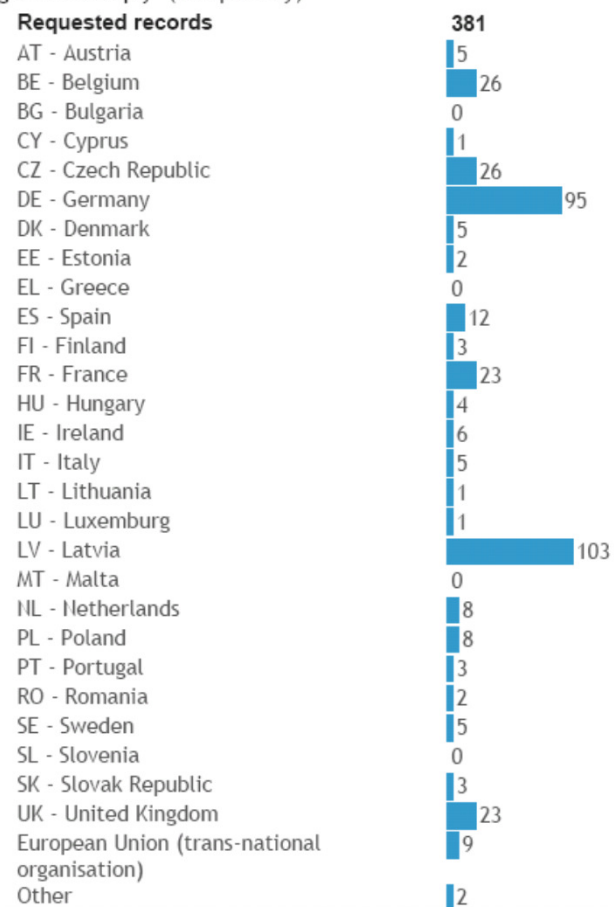




# Who answered the consultation?

6. Please indicate the country you are based in :

-single choice reply- (compulsory)



# Standard structure of an Impact assessment report

- IA process + public consultations
- Problem definition + objectives
- Policy scenarios
- Analysis of impacts
- Comparing options
- Monitoring and evaluation

