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Workshop «Agri-environment-climate measures (AECM): Challenges of controllability and verifiability»

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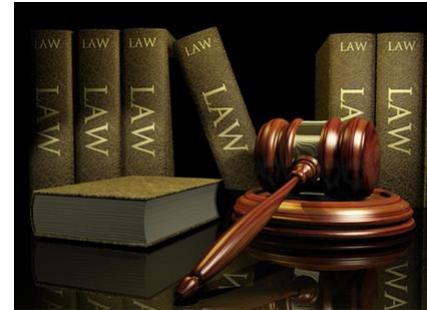
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Avoiding double funding – the perspective of the auditors

1. In the context of SoA, Transactions

- Legal Basis
- Administrative checks



2. Special report on greening

3.1 SoA - Legal Basis

Commission Implementing Regulation 809/2014 of 17 July 2014

Article 28

Administrative checks

1. The administrative checks referred to in Article 74 of Regulation (EU) No 1306/2013, including cross-checks, shall permit the detection of non-compliances, in particular the automated detection using computerised means. The checks shall cover all elements that are possible and appropriate to control by means of administrative checks. They shall ensure that:

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(b) there is no double financing through other Union schemes;

...



3.1 SoA - Legal Basis

Regulation (EU) No 1305/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 17 december 2013

Article 28

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6. ...

When calculating the payments referred to in the first subparagraph, Member States shall deduct the amount necessary in order to exclude double funding of the practices referred to in Article 43 of Regulation (EU) No 1306/2013.



3.1 SoA – Administrative checks

Are administrative checks being carried out by MS to ensure that there is no double funding between EAFRD agri-environment and climate measures and greening financed through EAGF?

- Have systems been put in place to carry out these checks?
- Do RDPs include calculations of the aid to show how double funding with greening is avoided?



3.1 Special report on greening

- The main question of the audit is: **“Can Greening enhance the environmental and climate performance of the CAP?”**
- It is a performance, not a compliance, audit.
- One of the risks identified is the correct integration of Greening with other instrument of the CAP to maximize the overall environmental and climate performance of the policy.
- In this context overlaps with cross-compliance and with the AECM create the risk of deadweight and double funding.

Thank you for your attention.

Any questions?