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1. The Vision for agriculture and food highlights the need to ensure soil health and sustainable management of natural resources<sup>1</sup>. Regenerative agriculture can help address these challenges in synergy with the Water Resilience Strategy<sup>2</sup>, the Soil Monitoring Law<sup>3</sup>, and the EU climate adaptation plan<sup>4</sup>. Under the current Common Agricultural Policy (CAP), 32% of the funds are dedicated to environmental and climate objectives, including soil health, water management and biodiversity protection<sup>5</sup>. Member States design specific support schemes in their CAP Strategic Plans and have included support for many regenerative practices.

2. Under Horizon Europe (2021-2027)<sup>6</sup>, the Commission is funding several Research and Innovation projects<sup>7</sup> and initiatives relating to Regenerative agriculture (including support dedicated to regenerative farming practices), such as CoFund Partnership on Agroecology<sup>8</sup>, and the EU Mission 'A Soil Deal for Europe'<sup>9</sup>. The European Innovation Partnership for Agricultural Productivity and Sustainability (EIP-AGRI) promotes over 70 Operational Group projects<sup>10</sup> testing innovative regenerative agriculture practices. The EU CAP Network, through its dedicated Focus Group on Regenerative Agriculture<sup>11</sup>, collects and disseminates the resulting knowledge. The CAP also supports Member States in strengthening their farm advisory services, thus ensuring these innovations reach the farm level.

3. The proposals for the CAP after 2027<sup>12</sup>, provide tools to support regenerative and other forms of sustainable agriculture. Moreover, as stated in the Vision for Agriculture and Food, the Commission will develop a voluntary on-farm sustainability compass, including possible indicators in line with regenerative agriculture.

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<sup>1</sup> A vision for Agriculture and Food, COM(2025) final.

<sup>2</sup> European Water Resilience Strategy, A vision for Agriculture and Food, COM(2025) 280 final.

<sup>3</sup> Proposal for a directive of the European Parliament and of the Council on Soil Monitoring and Resilience (Soil Monitoring Law), COM(2023) 416 Final.

<sup>4</sup> to be published in 2026.

<sup>5</sup> The green architecture of the current Agricultural Policy (2023-2027) provides a set of Good Agricultural and Environmental Conditions (GAEC) and Statutory Management Requirements as compulsory requirements, as well as voluntary schemes, such as eco-schemes, and rural development intervention for environmental, climate and animal welfare (agri-environment-climate commitments, areas with natural or other area-specific constraints, Natura 2000 and Water Framework Directive payments, and green investments).

<sup>6</sup> [https://research-and-innovation.ec.europa.eu/funding/funding-opportunities/funding-programmes-and-open-calls/horizon-europe\\_en](https://research-and-innovation.ec.europa.eu/funding/funding-opportunities/funding-programmes-and-open-calls/horizon-europe_en).

<sup>7</sup> Research and Innovation projects: [https://agriculture.ec.europa.eu/system/files/2023-05/factsheet-agriresearch-agroecology-and-organic-farming\\_en.pdf](https://agriculture.ec.europa.eu/system/files/2023-05/factsheet-agriresearch-agroecology-and-organic-farming_en.pdf).

<sup>8</sup> <https://www.agroecologypartnership.eu/>.

<sup>9</sup> <https://mission-soil-platform.ec.europa.eu/>.

<sup>10</sup> The list of projects can be found on the following link: [https://eu-cap-network.ec.europa.eu/projects/search\\_en](https://eu-cap-network.ec.europa.eu/projects/search_en).

<sup>11</sup> The final report, factsheet and other elements regarding the focus group can be found on the following link: [https://eu-cap-network.ec.europa.eu/focus-group-regenerative-agriculture-soil-health\\_en](https://eu-cap-network.ec.europa.eu/focus-group-regenerative-agriculture-soil-health_en).

<sup>12</sup> [https://agriculture.ec.europa.eu/media/news/next-chapter-cap-2025-07-17\\_en](https://agriculture.ec.europa.eu/media/news/next-chapter-cap-2025-07-17_en).