Climate crisis in the agri-food sector: policy and tools to manage the transition

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Outline of presentation

- Public Policy pattern
- Climate, economics and markets change;
- Public support in risk management policies in agricultural&fishery sectors;
- Climate change: pattern, assessment and focus on fishery
- Tools to cope revenue crisis: an overview

1. Public Policy Pattern Rationale of the CAP

- Ensure food security at all times
- while responding to societal requirements and expectations
- at a **reasonable price** for consumers

This is only possible if:

- The singularity of the agricultural sector is recognised
- farmers can realise a fair income

EUROPEAN AGRICULTURAL SECTOR AFTER WORLD WAR II

- Demand for food
- Rationing was the norm but it was undercut by black markets

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 So that, food policies had been directed at maximising agricultural production

Ensuring food security

- Vulnerable due to external political, economic and strategic decisions beyond our control
- Absolute food security can only be ensured by building up or maintaining a high degree of self-sufficiency
- This is difficult in a free world market environment when the region does not have a comparative advantage
- Government must therefore intervene to compensate for this comparative disadvantage

responding to societal expectations

- The agricultural sector not only produces food, but also a wide range of extra goods and services
- With the production of these goods and services, both from a private and public nature, the sector responds to societal requirements and expectations

TREATY OF ROME: THE STARTING POINT

The Common Fisheries Policy was already created by the Treaty of Rome in 1957 and is provided for in Article 38 of the Treaty establishing the European Communities.

«The common market includes agriculture and trade in agricultural products. Agricultural products are understood to be the products of the soil, of agriculture and fisheries, as well as products of primary processing directly related to these products.»

Fisheries was initially included in the Common Agricultural Policy.

When we talk about "agricultural" or "farming" in Articles 39-46, we also mean fishery products.

Art. 39

The aims of the common agricultural policy are:

- (a) to increase agricultural productivity by developing technical progress, ensuring the rational development of agricultural production and the better use of the factors of production, in particular labour,
- (b) thus to ensure a fair standard of living for the agricultural community, in particular by increasing the individual earnings of persons engaged in agriculture,
- (c) to stabilise markets
- (d) to ensure security of supply,
- (e) to ensure reasonable prices in deliveries to consumers.

HOW TO IMPLEMENT THE CAP?

However, the formulation of the objectives in Article 39 did not clarify the instruments and lines of action through which they could be achieved;

The lines of action of the CAP were identified in 1960 and referred to two main concepts:

- Regulating agricultural prices and markets, bearing in mind the price differentials between member countries and the resulting income disparities
- Improving agricultural production structures in order to facilitate the modernisation of enterprises, especially family enterprises, which are considered to be "backward" and unfit to participate in achieving the objectives set out in the Treaty of Rome.

BENEFITS FROM THE CAP

- Self-sufficiency of food supplies in the Community
 - agricultural output increased greatly
- Food security was assured
- Agricultural markets were stabilised
- Farmers enjoyed a fair standard of living although large farmers and farmers in the North of Europe benefited most from this situation

SUMMARIZING....

- Government aid to the farming population.
 The policies varied slightly among countries;
- Encouragement to productive improvements, through low rate credits, subsidies etc.;
- These had the effect of foster mechanisation (higher yields).

Effects?

- productivity in agriculture grew!
- "Second agrarian revolution" food supplies were adequate and the level of consumption was satisfactory

But...

- incomes of people working in the agricultural sector lagged behind those of people employed in the other sectors ⇒
- migration from the countryside



Downward trend of agricultural prices!

One of the reasons for the lag in incomes in the countryside was the downward trend of agricultural prices, and this was due to the fact that demand for food was relatively income inelastic.

This means that although incomes grew very rapidly, because of economic growth in the industrialised world, people did not use their higher income to buy more food, but to buy other, higher-value commodities.

Fews products were in much greater demand, such as meat.

Meat prices in fact moved up, but prices of all the other major foodstuffs/commodity, such as wheat, sugar and diary products moved downwards.

- Farm incomes, therefore, were increasingly dependent on government aid.
- Protection was important especially for those commodities that were most cheaply produced outside Europe (e.g. wheat, corn)

E.g. wheat - the European prices were higher by a considerable extent than prices in North America, Australia and Argentina.

For meat, and diary products, many European products were competitive, so that the effect of protection was much slight. There was a paradox here for wheat and cereals were the crops for which demand was more stagnant; by protecting them the governments were in effect encouraging surpluses and discouraging shifts to other crops and products.

This kind of distortion was greater in the countries which produced large quantities of cereals such as France, Germany, and much less prominent in countries were agriculture was heavily geared to specialised diary products such us the Netherlands



first attempt to solve agricultural problems through integration

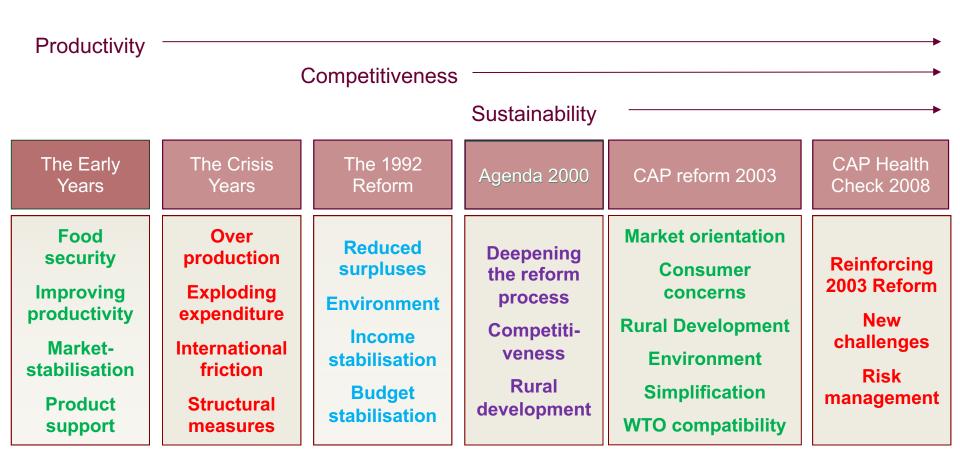
WHAT WENT WRONG?

- Guaranteed prices overproduction
- Problem of surpluses began to emerge
- Big farmers produced more and thereby earned more money; small farmers needed assistance earned less;
- In order to increase output soil with excessive amount of fertilisers, herbicides: environmental problems

WHAT WENT WRONG?

- Quotas, levies, tariffs in agricultural trade problem for exporters to the EC and to promote open trade and further liberalisation
- Dumping on world markets distorted prices and antagonised non-EU producers.
- Consumers however lost out high food prices

Summarizing the Historical development of the CAP



FOCUS

Political context of 2003 reforms

- Berlin Agreement set budget to 2006
- France resisted a Mid-Term Review but Germany keen on further reforms
- States supporting reform:
 - Germany, UK, Denmark, Netherlands, Sweden
- States against:
 - France, Greece, Ireland, Luxembourg, Italy



Fischler Reform 2003

- Decoupling direct support by granting: more flexibility, more responsibility to the farmers to meet markets challenges in the future. Decided- it is too early to make this important move and support for the cereals and meat sectors were left still partly coupled.
- The other important element of the CAP reform was Cross-compliance (CC). It is a combination of bigger responsibility and greater quality, according to which, farmers applying for the direct payments directly responsible for complying with the EU standards (environmental, animal and plant protection, food safety). By implementing CC requirements farmers gain public recognitions of better food quality and environmental protection.

FOCUS

- Market issues: some of them were revised (mostly milk and cereals sectors), for the others EU Council committed to do it in the Mid-term review of the reform (which was late renamed as Health check);
- In 2009 we have "Health check", where all above mentioned issues are listed. Climate change is slightly new thing, but related with environmental issues.
- In addition, food prices and self sufficiency becoming an issue (once again!!!).

FOCUS

The importance of EU agriculture and rural development after a year 2013 is related to essential and arising functions:

- The most essential function of the CAP is the further guarantee of food security and food safety in EU member states as a one of substantial elements of common security of member states, together with Energetic security and safety;
- Arising functions are related to challenges of our days:
 - EU agriculture plays an important role as a guarantee of a common EU-wide standard of food safety and quality, cross-compliance etc. and surveillance of its implementation;
 - another challenge is the implementation of the EU Energy Strategy in sustainable way with an important role of renewable energy resources, including usage of energy crops and forest plants for production of biofuel;
 - agriculture of the EU must play a role on mitigation of climate change.
- Agriculture of the EU retains its relevance with a growing importance of rural development, ensuring the development of rural areas and rural employment.

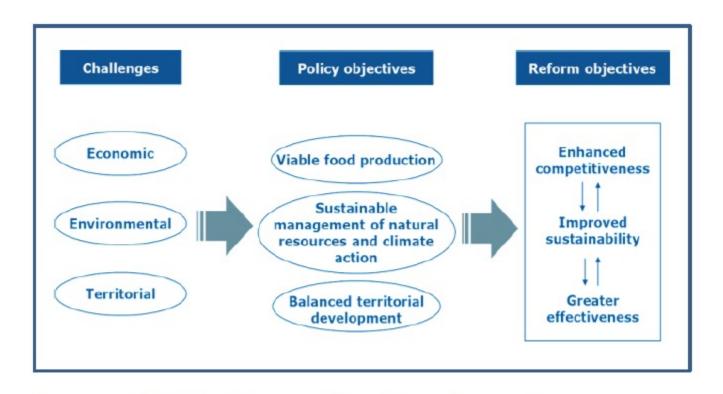
The CAP 2014 - 2020

The CAP reform started more than 3 years ago in 2010 with a public debate, followed by the publication of the Commission's Communication on its vision of agriculture and the challenges and priorities for the future CAP and finally by legislative proposals for the first ever overhaul of the entire policy. The decision-making process differed from previous reforms, with the European Parliament for the first time acting as co-legislator with the Council.

The new policy continues along the historical reform path, moving from product to producer support and now to a more land-based approach. This is in response to the challenges facing the sector, many of which are driven by factors that are external to agriculture.

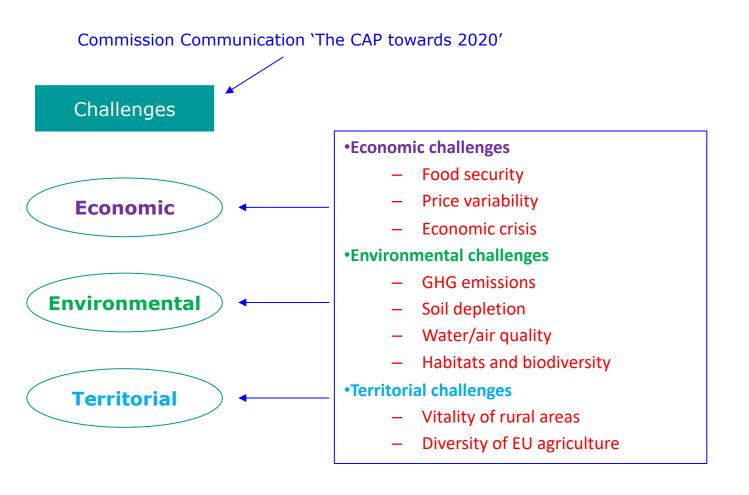
These have been identified as **economic** (including food security and globalization, a declining rate of productivity growth, price volatility, pressures on production costs due to high input prices and the deteriorating position of farmers in the food supply chain), **environmental** (relating to resource efficiency, soil and water quality and threats to habitats and biodiversity) and **territorial** (where rural areas are faced with demographic, economic and social developments including depopulation and relocation of businesses).

The CAP 2014-2020: From challenges to reform objectives



Source: DG Agriculture and Rural Development.

What are the challenges for agriculture...



Pac post 2023

GREEN DEAL = Green Growth



It derives from the European citizens demand for concrete political action on climate change.



Basic principles:

- climate neutrality of the European Union by 2050;
- reduce CO2 emissions and eliminate the present one from the atmosphere;
- develop a circular economy based on the use of renewable sources;
- green and fair transition, leaving no one behind.

The EU Green Deal europeo: the policy



- Clean energy: Energy production and use account for more than 75% of EU greenhouse gas emissions;
- Sustainable industry: promotion of the use of recycled materials with a view to a clean economy;
- Building and renovating with a view to greater environmental sustainability;
- Sustainable mobility, both public and private;
- Greater protection for biodiversity, forests, oceans;
- "Farm to fork" strategy;
- Elimination of pollution.

Strategy Objectives



- Reduce the use of chemical pesticides by 50% by 2030
- Reduce the use of the most dangerous pesticides by 50% by 2030



- Reduce nutrient losses by at least 50%.
- Reduce the use of fertilizers by at least 20% by 2030



Reduce the antimicrobial elements by 50%.



 25% of total agricultural land will have to be devoted to organic farming by 2030

The new EU-wide Biodiversity Strategy will:



Establish protected areas for at least:



30% of land in Europe



30% of sea in Europe

With stricter protection of remaining EU primary and oldgrowth forests legally binding nature restoration targets in 2021.



Restore degraded ecosystems at land and sea across the whole of Europe by:



Increasing organic farming and biodiversityrich landscape features on agricultural land



Halting and reversing the decline of pollinators



Restoring at least 25 000 km of EU rivers to a freeflowing state



Reducing the use and risk of pesticides by 50% by 2030



Planting 3 billion trees by 2030

CAP common specific objectives



Common Agricultural Policy First Pillar

DIRECT PAYMENTS - Key elements - structure

- Basic payment national/single area
- Redistributive income support mechanism compulsory covering at least 10% of the direct payment envelop
- Young farmers payment (YFP) voluntary but ... at least 3% of direct payments envelope must be used to support young farmers... as income support, investment support or start-up aid for young farmers
- Coupled support granting max 13% of direct payment envelope to support some sectors
- Eco-schemes voluntary for farmers mandatory for MS 25% of the direct payments focused on a common list of action areas (organic farming, agro-ecological practices, precision farming, agro-forestry or carbon farming, animal welfare)

RURAL DEVELOPMENT - II Pillar

Key elements - structure

— National Plan

Up to 35% of the overall budget should be devoted for environmental action (e.g. organic and animal welfare)

- Measures:
- O Advisory services, farm management and farm relief services;
- O Quality schemes for agricultural products, and foodstuffs;
- O Investments in physical assets;
- O Farm and business development: young farmers and investments in creation and development of non-agricultural activities;
- O Organic farming;
- O Animal welfare;
- O Risk management.

1970: THE FIRST BUILDING STONE FOR A REVISED FISHERIES POLICY

Start

It was only in 1970 that the Council adopted the acts to establish a **common market organisation for fishery products** and put in place a Community structural policy for fisheries.

Early developments

Fisheries played an important role in the negotiations that led to the accession of the United Kingdom, Ireland and Denmark to the EEC in 1972. This led to a departure from the fundamental principle of freedom of access to the sea, with the extension of national exclusive coastal fishing rights in territorial waters, defined as those within 12 nautical miles of the coast, to include EEZs up to 200 nautical miles from the coast. Member States accepted that the management of fisheries resources fell within the competence of the European Community.

THE COMMON FISHERIES POLICY: THE EVOLUTION

The 1983 Regulation

After several years of negotiations, the Council adopted Regulation (EEC) No 170/83 in 1983, establishing the new generation CFP, which enshrined:

- the commitment to respect the EEZ and
- formulated the concept of relative stability, providing for conservation management measures based on **total allowable catches (TACs) and quotas**.

WHILE SIGNING THE MAASTRICHT TREATY...

The 1992 Regulation

In 1992, Regulation (EEC) No 3760/92, the provisions that governed fisheries policy until 2002, sought to redress the serious imbalance between fleet capacity and catch potential. The remedy advocated was the reduction of the Community fleet, accompanied by structural measures to mitigate the social consequences.

The regulation introduced the notion of 'fishing effort' to restore and maintain the balance between available resources and fishing activities.

Access to resources was provided for through an effective licensing system.

¹ Fishing effort is defined as the product of fishing capacity and fishing activity, the latter calculated on the basis of time spent in a given area.

THE 2002 REFORM

The measures introduced by Regulation (EEC) No 3760/92 did not prove sufficiently effective in halting overfishing, and the deterioration of many fish stocks even accelerated. This critical situation led to a reform that included three regulations adopted by the Council in December 2002 and entered into force on 1 January 2003:

- framework Regulation (EC) No 2371/2002 on the conservation and sustainable exploitation of fisheries resources [repealing Regulations (EEC) No 3760/92 and (EEC) No 101/76];
- Regulation (EC) No 2369/2002 laying down the detailed rules and arrangements regarding Community structural assistance in the fisheries sector [amending Regulation (EC) No 2792/1999];
- Regulation **(EC)** No 2370/2002 establishing an emergency Community measure for scrapping fishing vessels.

THE 2013 CFP REFORM

The 2002 reform did not meet expectations in the short term, as the deterioration of some stocks continued to increase. At the same time, it highlighted some problems that had gone unnoticed until then, such as discards.

In 2009, the Commission launched a public consultation on the reform of the CFP, with the aim of integrating new principles to govern EU fisheries in the 21st century. After a long discussion in the Council and, for the first time, in the Parliament, an agreement was reached on 1 May 2013 on a new fisheries regime based on three main pillars:

- 1) the new CFP (Regulation (EU) No 1380/2013);
- 2) the common organisation of the markets in fishery and aquaculture products (Regulation (EU) No 1379/2013);
- 3) the new European Maritime and Fisheries Fund (EMFF) (Regulation (EU) No 508/2014).

THE NEW REFORM

The new CFP aims to ensure that the activities of the fisheries and aquaculture sectors are environmentally sustainable in the long term and are managed in a manner consistent with the objectives relating to the economic, social and employment benefits to be achieved. The most significant points are:

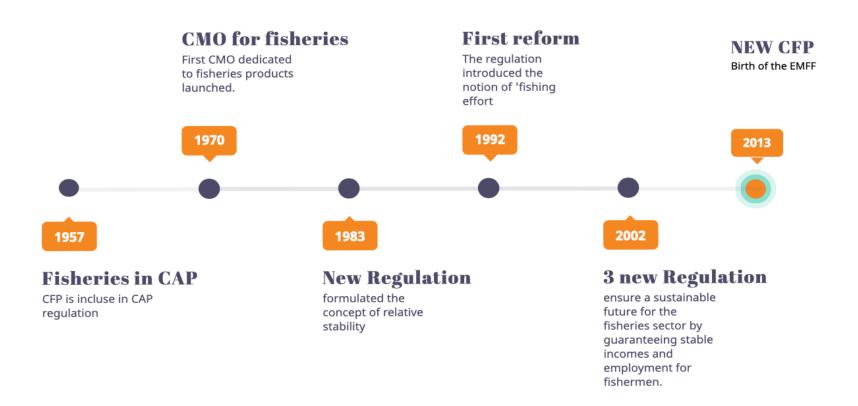
- Multi-annual ecosystem-based management
- Maximum Sustainable Yield (MSY)
- Ban on discards

THE NEW REFORM (2)

- With regard to fleet capacity, under the new CFP Member States are required to adapt their
 fishing capacities through national plans so that they are balanced with their fishing
 opportunities. Small-scale fisheries have a special role to play in the new CFP. The 12-nautical
 mile exclusive zone for traditional fleets is to be extended until 2022.
- The rules governing the activities of the EU fishing fleet in international and third country
- Sustainable aquaculture increases yields to supply the EU seafood market and promotes growth in coastal and rural areas through national plans.
- New obligations on Member States;
- Decentralised governance.

The current set of technical measures defined in Council Regulation (EC) No 850/98 constitutes a complex and heterogeneous system of provisions that is currently being revised to provide the new CFP with a new set of technical measures.

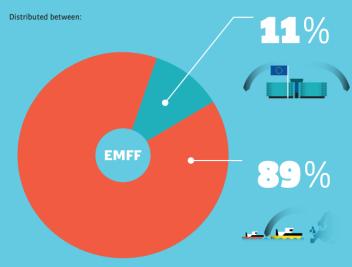
TO SUMMARIZE: THE EVOLUTION OF CFP



THE EMFF: THE FINANCIAL ALLOCATION

The total amount allocated to the EMFF

for the period 2014-2020 it amounts to approximately Euro 6.4 billion.



Managed by the European Commission

To support EU-wide objectives in maritime and coastal affairs:

International governance

Cooperation through exchange of information and best practices Public information and support to networking platforms Marine Knowledge

Maritime Spatial Planning

Managed by the member states

Divided amongst EU countries, the funds are used for:

Reducing impact of fishing on the marine environment More market tols for professionals and consumers Joint stewardship of protected areas ans Natura 2000 sites Special support to small-scale fishermen

Among which:





Sustainable Fisheries

Making fisheries and aquaculture more sustainable and profitable

Ensuring and creating sustainable jobs Local development and support to fisheries areas Marketing and processing



€580_м

Control and Enforcement

To monitor compliance with the European Common Fisheries Policy and protect a fair access to healthy stocks:

Access to fishing grounds
Controlling fishing effort, TACs
and quotas

Other technical measures to improve selectivity and sustainability





Data Collection

To collect the data the scientists need to improve our knowledge of the seas and the long term management of our fisheries:

Understanding and monitoring of commercial species

Dynamics of single stocks and

mixed fisheries
Ecological modelling of regional basins



€71

Blue Economy

To unlock sustainable growth and job creation from our seas and oceans, in areas such as:

Maritime surveillance (CISE) Improved knowledge of the seas and ecosystems

Enabling rational exploitation of new marine resources (e.g. energy, biotech)

THE ALLOCATION AROUND THE EUROPE

TOTAL EU ALLOCATIONS OF EUROPEAN MARITIME AND FISHERIES FUND 20142020 (UNI €, CURRENT PRICES)



Spain is the most resourceful nation.

Italy is third

The top 4 countries (Spain, Italy, France and Poland) intercept 45% of the resources.

Fact: Luxembourg is excluded from the EMFF.

TO SUMMARIZE

- 1. The EMFF is the fund to finance the fishery sector
- 2. It's value is about 6 bilion euro
- The 4 area of EMFF are: Sustainable fisheries, Control and Enforcement, Data Collection, Blue Economy
- 4. The EMFF is divided in 5 chapter

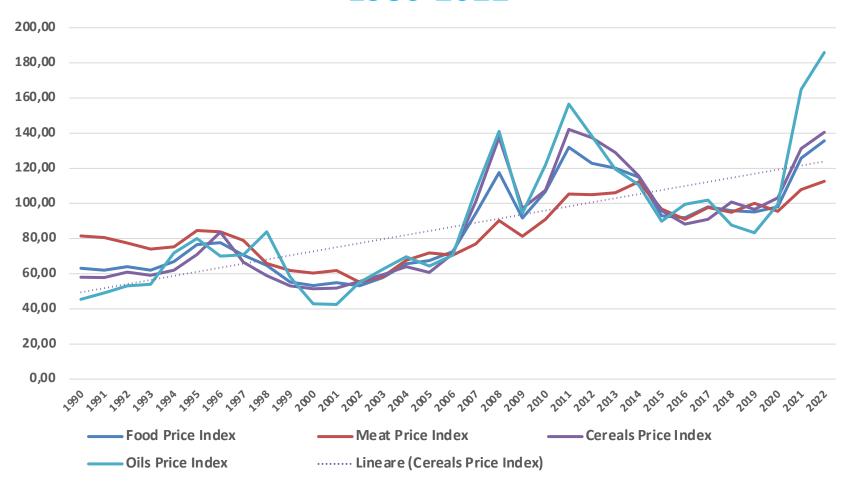
POLICY CHOICES IN THE LIGHT OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL/CLIMATIC/ECONOMIC SCENARIO



2. Climate, economics and market change Introduction

- Agricultural/Fishery sector vs risk «old relationship»
- In market-oriented agricultural sectors, farmers choose which crops to grow and how best to grow them by considering potential profits and potential risks.
- In general, there is a tradeoff between potential profit and risk.
- Successful farmers will be those that choose highprofit activities who successfully manage associated risk.

Price pattern of agricultural commodity 1980-2022



Food prices variability and food security in new global scenario

From the "Green Revolution" to the return of "Scarcity"

- What has changed in the latest 15 years?
- What has compromised the reaching of internationally-agreed goals regarding the war against malnutrition?

Three concepts of food security: social, political and economics

- (social) even though there was enough calories in the daily food intake to fulfill nutrition health allowance of daily per capita requirements, there was a high proportion that could not reach such level from the daily food intake, particularly in rural regions;
- (political) in MPC's market much relay on the world market to satisfy domestic consumption of agricultural products;
- (economic) the performance of the agricultural foreign trade had shown a much wider gap between exports and imports than the total merchandize balance.

Food prices variability and food security

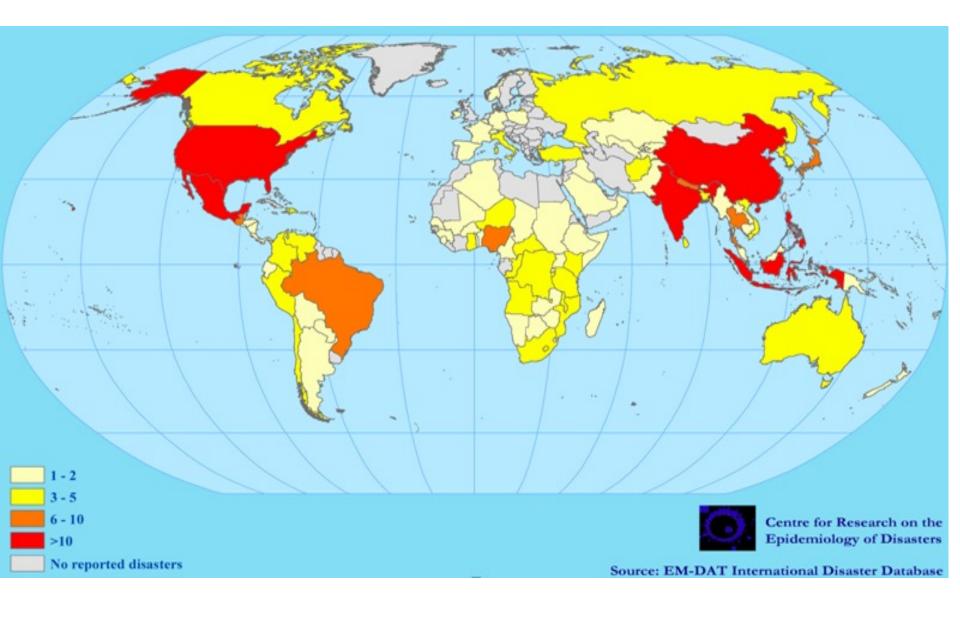
High and volatile agricultural commodity prices challenge the ability of consumers, producers and governments to cope with the consequences

Factors have contributed to increases price and volatility:

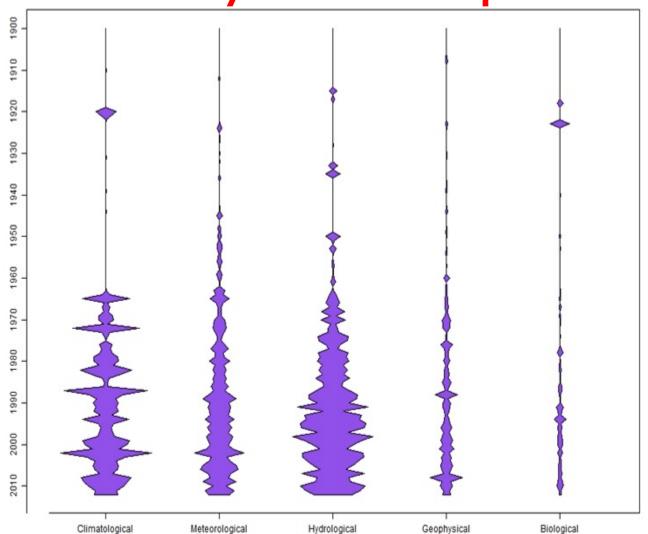
- Income growth of some countries e.g. China, India
- Demand increasing at higher rate than supply
- Reduction in stocks to uncomfortably low levels
- Biofuel production linking agricultural prices and markets more closely to energy markets and volatile oil prices
- Speculation on food commodity futures markets (which follows the above driving factors)

Market equilibrium is changing

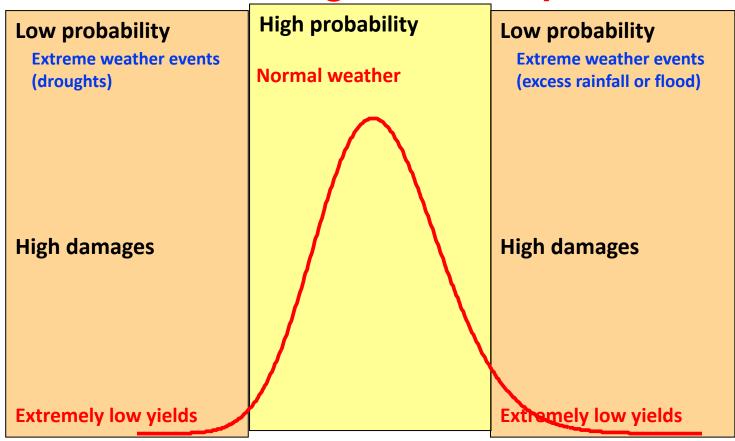
Climate



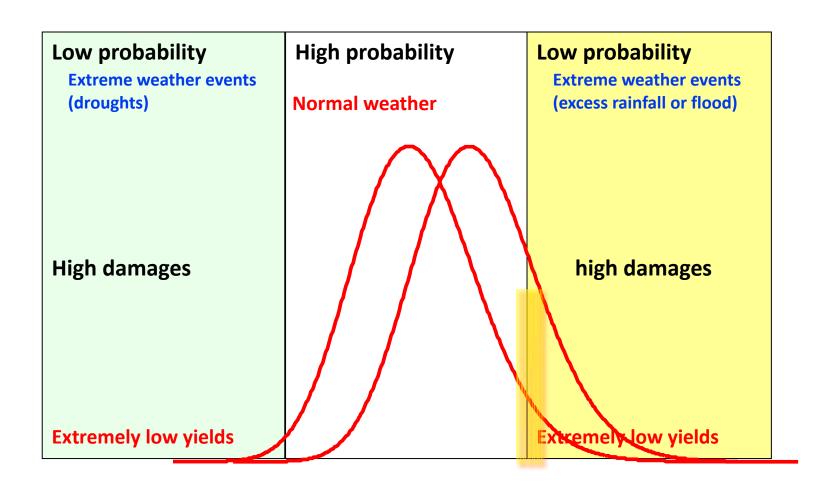
Switch in pattern of frequency and severity of catastrophic events



By the way, climate change affect probability distribution of weather events increasing uncertainty



So that...what were rare and catastrophic becoming «nomal»



Climate change impact assessment

Rationale

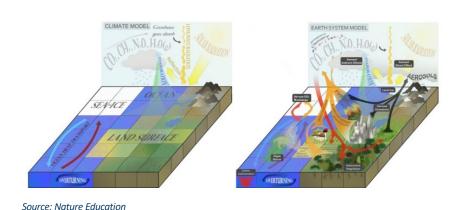


How climate change is going to affect natural and human systems?



Understanding, predicting and projecting the climate system for the coming season and decades require modelling..i.e. simulating the key processes and interactions of the climate system components

Earth System Models

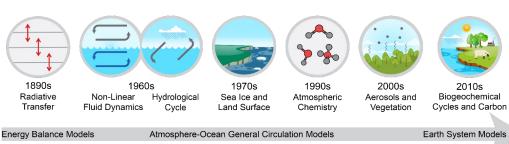


Atmospheric circulation and radiation Climate Model Sea Ice Land physics Ocean circulation and hydrology Atmospheric circulation and radiation **Earth System** Allows interactive CO2 Model Sea Ice Plant ecology and Ocean ecology and land use biogeochemistry Land physics Ocean circulation and hydrology

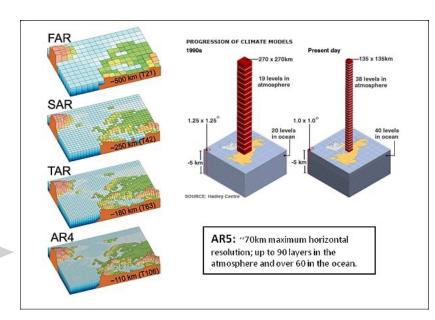
Source:soccom.princenton.edu

Evolution of climate models

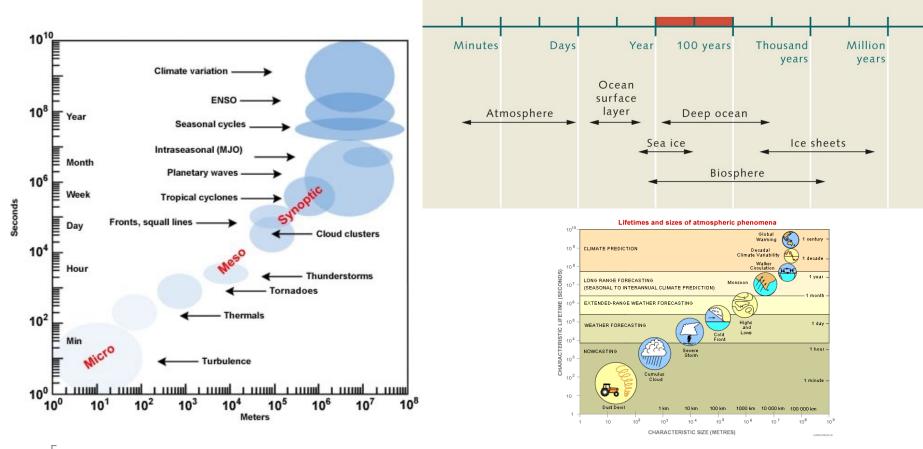
A Climate Modeling Timeline (When Various Components Became Commonly Used)



Source: Globalchange.gov



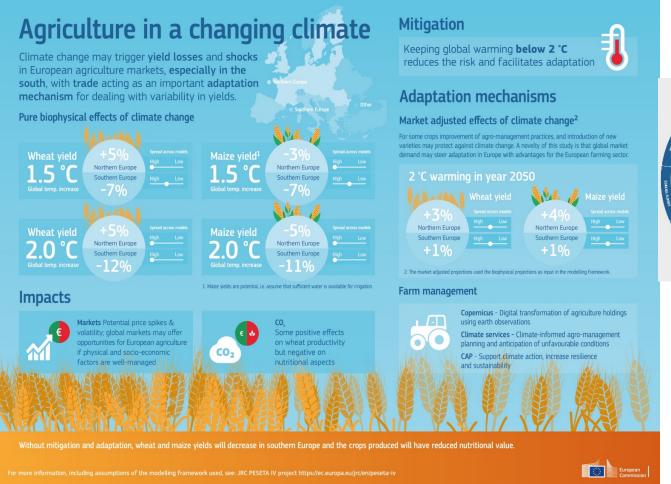
Source: IPCC



8 Source: UCAR, WMO

Time scales of the climate system

Assessment: The objective





Past and current changes



It is warming almost everywhere



The warming reversed a long-term cooling



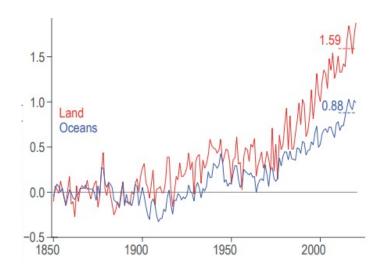
It is warming rapidly



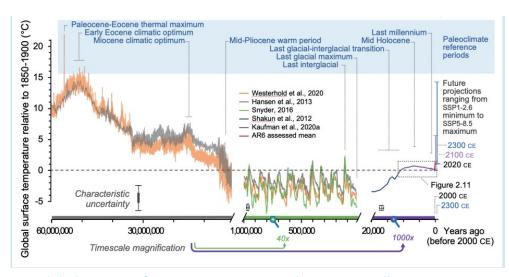
It has been a long time since it has been this warm

Source: IPCC AR6.

Past and current changes

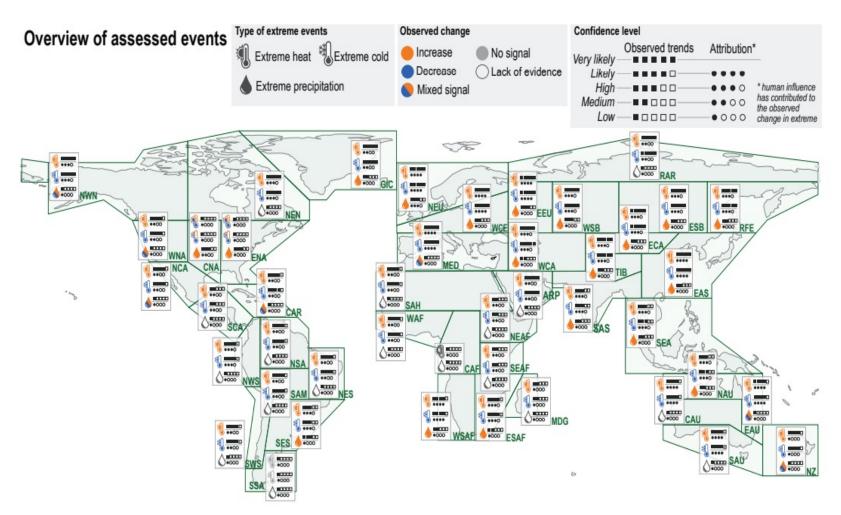


Global temperature anomalies w.r.t. 1850-1900. Source: IPCC AR6.



Global mean surface temperature over the past 60 million years w.r.t. 1850–1900. Source: IPCC AR6

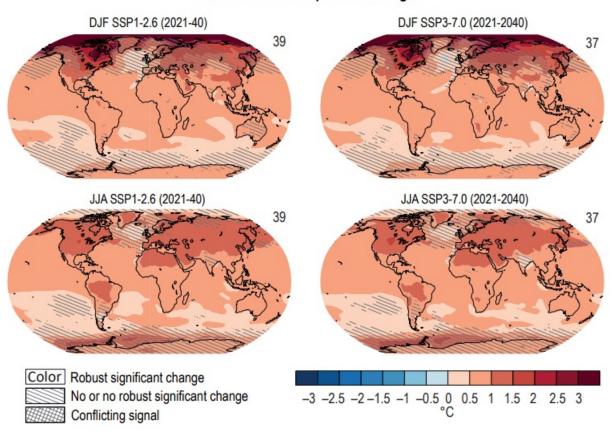
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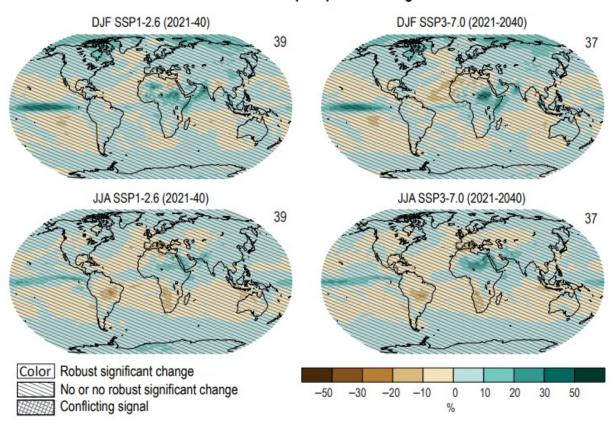
Near-future projections

Seasonal mean temperature change

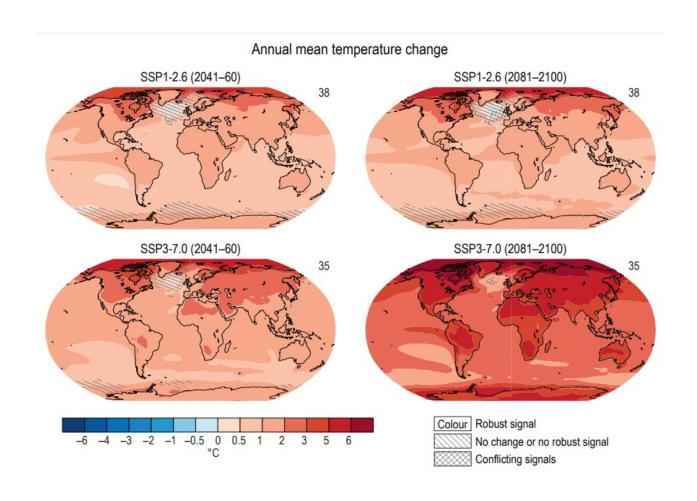


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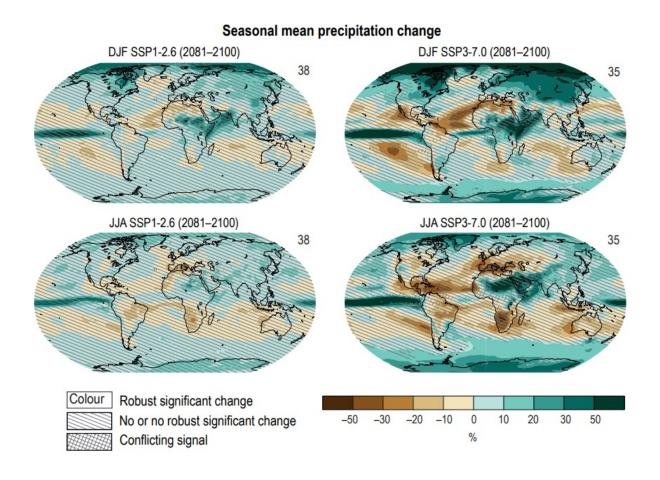
Seasonal mean precipitation change



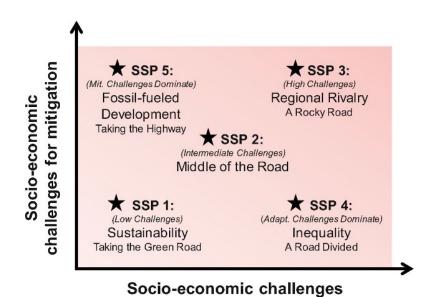
Mid- end-of-the century projections



Mid- end-of-the century projections



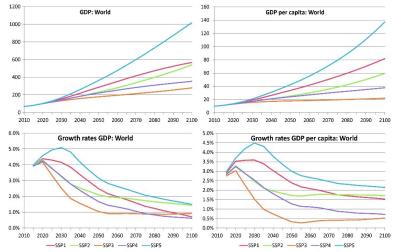
Scenarios



for adaptation

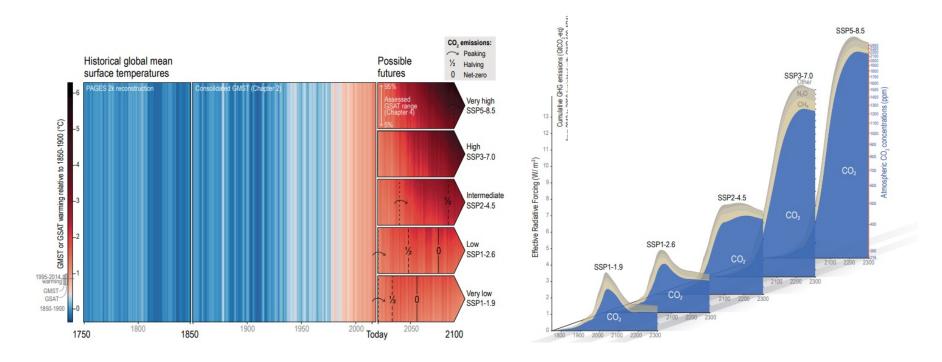


Source: KC and Lutz, 2017



Source: O'Neill et al. 2017
Source: Dellink et al., 2017

Scenarios



Source: IPCC AR6.

The Threat of Global Climate Change for fishery

Potential impacts on physical features of oceans:

- Sea surface temperatures
- Sea levels
- Ocean circulation patterns
- Salinity
- pH

Potential impacts on marine fish:

- Migration patterns
- Changes in reproductive patterns
- Food web effects

Climate change impacts on the Great Barrier Reef

Which future will we choose?

Climate change is changing our Reef. If carbon dioxide continues to rise, the Great Barrier Reef could look very different. It is up to us to determine what the Reef's future will be.



Low CO₂ levels

+ 1 °C



Moderate CO₂ levels

+ 2 °C



High CO₂ levels

≥ +3 °C

Coral bleaching

Our warming seas

Sea temperature increases of just a couple degrees can cause corals to bleach and die. Without corals, the future of reefs and the marine life they harbour is at risk.







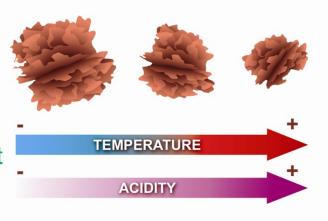
Ocean acidification

One-third of the carbon dioxide we produce ends up in the ocean. When carbon dioxide is mixed with water it creates carbonic acid. Human activities are making the oceans more acidic than they have been in hundreds of thousands of years.

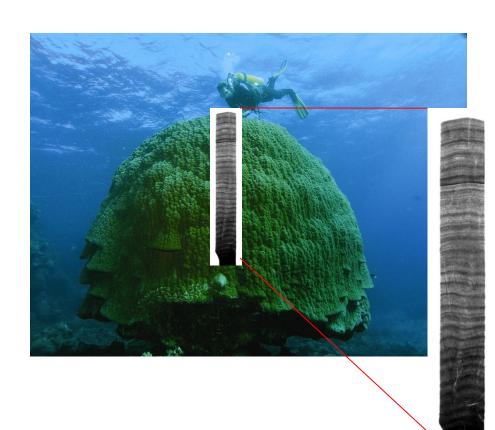
More acidic oceans will mean:

Corals and animals with calcium shells and skeletons may grow slower (coral growth on the Great Barrier Reef has already declined 14 per cent since 1990)

Shells and corals may become more brittle and breakable



Corals: living history books of the seas



Unlocking climate secrets from corals

Long-lived corals growing on the Great Barrier Reef are used to help construct global climate records.

Core samples from corals up to 400 years old show that:

- 1. temperatures have warmed
- rainfall has become more variable and coral growth has declined
- 3. human land use has increased the sediment carried out to the Reef.

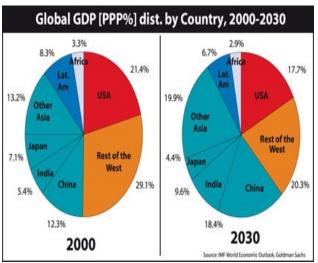
Marginal effects on land value due to climate change





World already changed...if someone still remain at XX Century debates

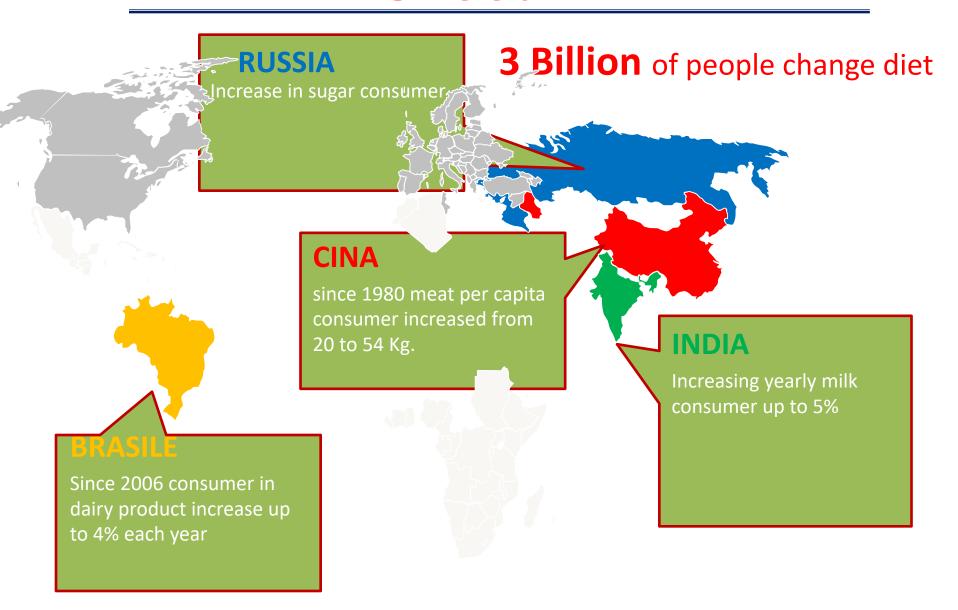




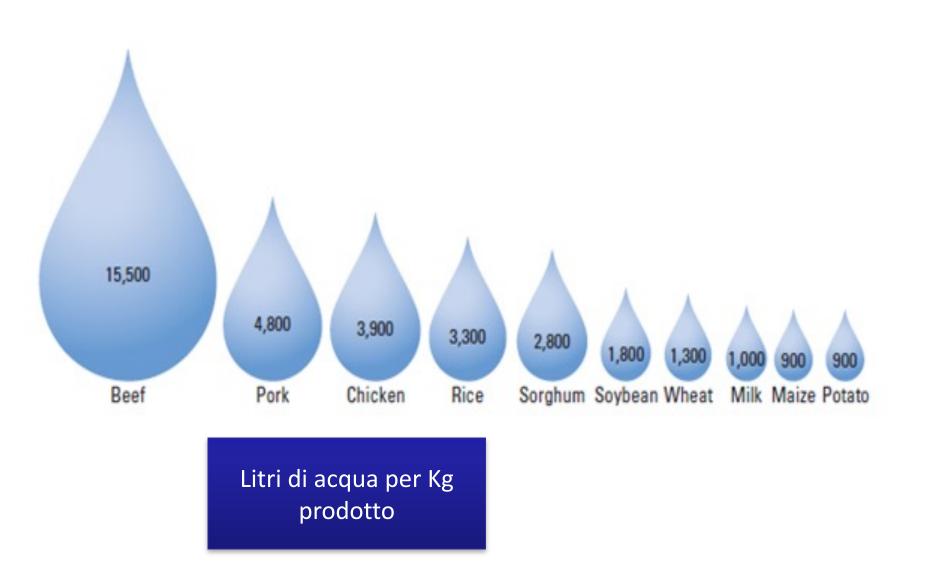




«BRIC food BREAK»

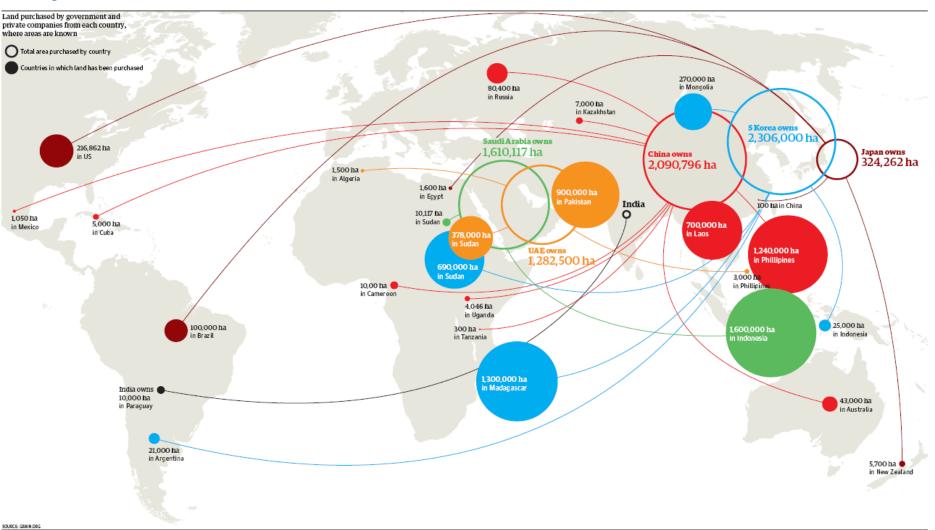


Environmental risk: water scarcity

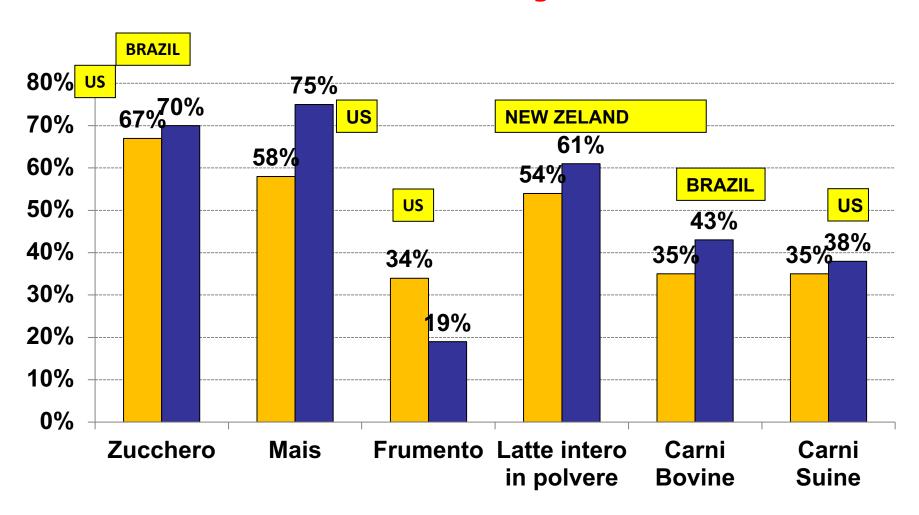


Land grabbing





Monopoly market for agriculutral commodity



Sources of Risk in Agriculture

Common risks of farmers and non-farmers

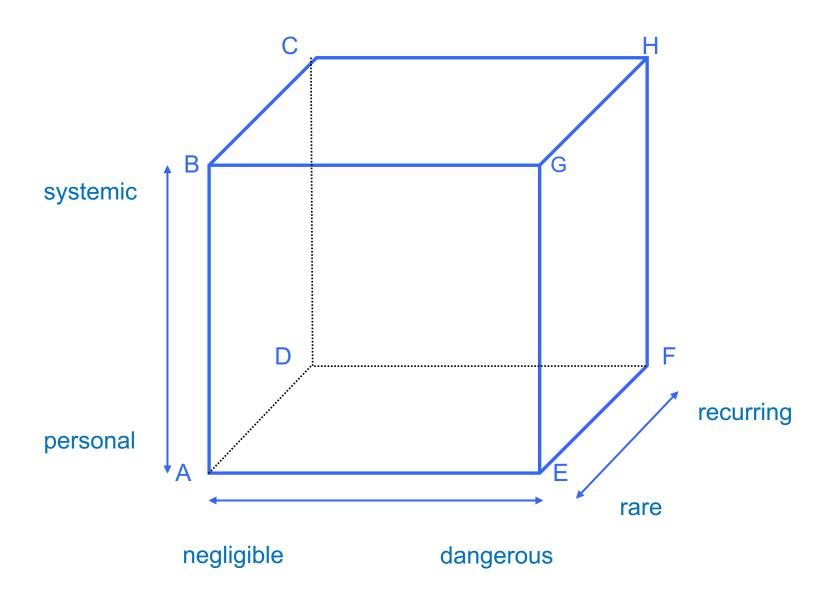
- Property: Damage to buildings and equipment
- Casualty and health: Loss of life or injury
- Farmers face unique risks
- Damage to crops from adverse weather or unexpected disease or insect infestations
- Unexpected declines in price
- Farmers also face new risks
- BSE, foot and mouth disease, avian flu have led to widespread loss of markets, especially export markets. Result is large price decline.

Risk management: type of risk

- Frequency: from rare to recurring
- Damages: from negligible to dangerous
- Correlation among insured pool: from single farmer to area

«Fourth» dimension: predictability

Risk box



Risk management in agriculture

- Ex-ante: risk management
 - 1. Don't put all your crops into one area (if possible)
 - 2. Don't plant only one crop
 - 3. Raise both crops and livestock
 - 4. Share risk (insurance, mutual fund, financial market)
- Ex-post: "risk coping"
 - 1. Damages management

Management of Property and Casualty Risk

- Use Insurance
- Self-insurance and diversification: farm assets and management mitigate the loss
- Market insurance: insurance company covers the loss in exchange for an annual pre-paid premium
- First Principle of Insurance:
- Premiums of the many pay the losses of the few.

Crop insurance as one of possible tool in ex ante management (!!!)

 Condition for insurability: damages quantification; randomness; mutuality; economics sustainability

- Limits: asymmetric information (ex ante and ex post moral hazard and adverse selection);
- In agriculture: systemic risk

Types of Crop Insurance

- Insure each crop separately,
- Most complete and expensive insurance
- Or pool production from multiple crops
- Reflects actual financial risk
- Insure individual yield,
- Most complete and expensive insurance
- Or, insure area yield
- Easier to implement and more cost effective

What behind public intervention in risk management in agriculture?

- 1. Uncertainty of economic result
 - Farmer is unable to manage production factors;
- Impossibility to adequate production choice versus economic trend
 - temporal lag among farmer sowing decision and biological cicle of crops
- 3. Systemic risk
 - share with insurance market losses in case of catastrophic events

Bearing and Eliminating Risk

- •Why do people buy insurance?
- •Why do people buy extended warranties?

These questions are answered by:

- 1) Actuarially Fair Insurance
- 2) Risk Premium

Actuarially Fair Insurance

Actuarially Fair Insurance

-insurance where the premium is equal to the expected value of the payout

$$AFI = E(payout)$$

 $AFI = (payout) f(payout)$

Actuarially Fair Insurance Example

Assume that you could buy hail insurance. You have a \$100,000 expected revenue, and an 80% chance to lose \$75,000 (crop fails). Your utility is U=VI.

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Risky Income: p(\$100,000)=0.2, p(\$25,000)=0.8

1) Calculate Actuarially Fair Insurance Premium

AFI = E(payout)
AFI = (\$75,000)(0.8)
AFI = \$60,000
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Actuarially Fair Insurance Example

If you didn't get insurance, your utility would be:

U=
$$\sqrt{I}$$
 Risky Income: p(\$100,000)=0.2, p(\$25,000)=0.8

2) Utility without Insurance

$$E(U) = \sum U f(U)$$

$$E(U) = 100,000^{1/2}(0.2) + 25,000^{1/2}(0.8)$$

$$E(U) = 189.7$$

Actuarially Fair Insurance Example

With fair insurance, your utility would be:

U=
$$\sqrt{I}$$
 Risky Income: p(\$100,000)=0.2, p(\$25,000)=0.8

Insurance: \$60,000

2) Utility with Insurance

$$E(U) = \sum U f(U)$$

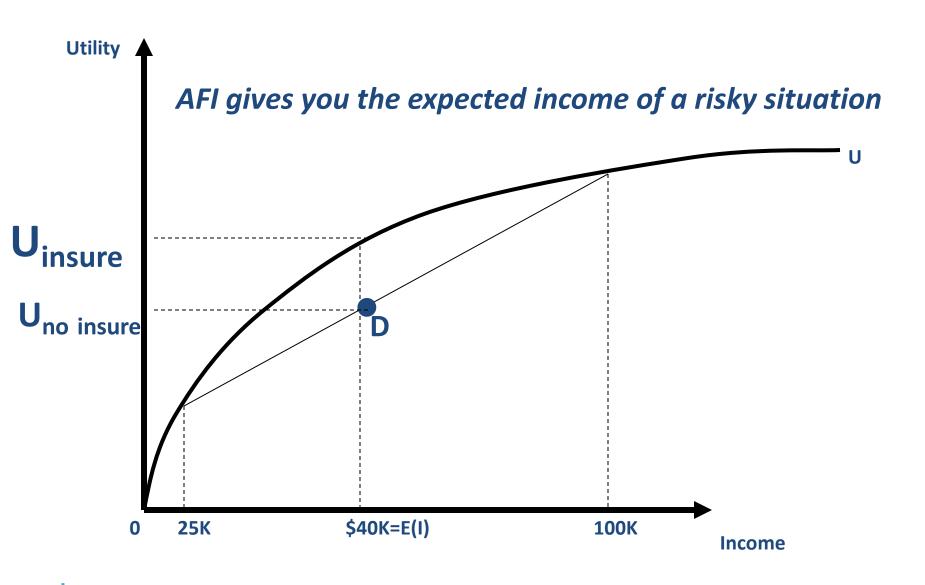
$$E(U) = (100,000 - 60,000)^{1/2} (0.2)$$

$$+ (25,000 - 60,000 + 75,000)^{1/2} (0.8)$$

$$E(U) = (40,000)^{1/2} (1)$$

$$E(U) = 200$$

Actuarially Fair Insurance



Is Insurance ever Fair?

Actual insurance premiums are <u>rarely</u> actuarially fair, partially due to a firm making <u>profit</u>, but also due to other factors:

- administration
- moral hazard
- adverse selection
- Systemic risk in agriculture

What is the maximum amount someone will pay above actuarially fair premiums?

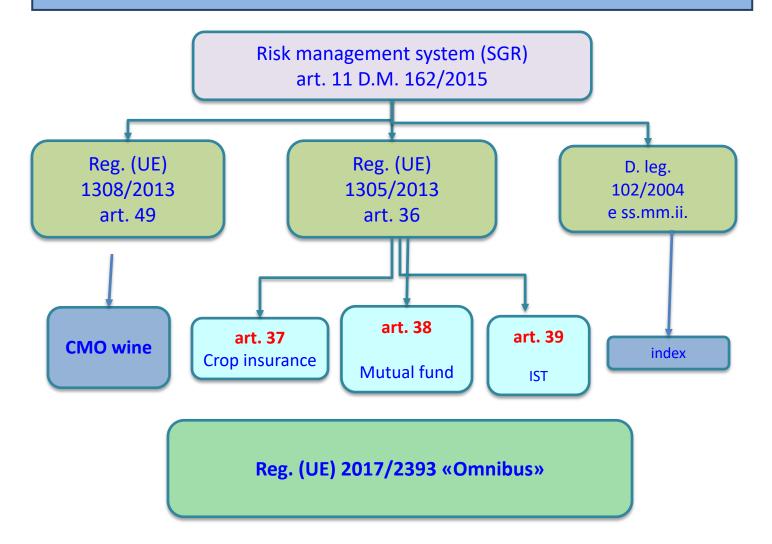
Risk Premium

Risk Premium

- -Maximum amount of money that a riskaverse person will pay to avoid taking a risk
- -Maximum amount a person will pay in premiums above actuarially fair premiums

Note: Even risk loving people consider themselves risk averse for large purchases.

Public support framework



Analysis Risk management proposal 2013

- Risk management moves from first to the second pillar of the CAP (exception for CMO wine, fruit and vegetables)
- Will be a measure of risk management with three operational tools:
 - 1. Financial contribution to insurance for adverse weather conditions, plant diseases and animal diseases
 - 2. Financial compensation to mutual funds for plant diseases, animal diseases and environmental emergencies.
 - 3. Financial compensation to mutual funds for sever drop of income.

Omnibus

«ex ante capitalization of Mutual Fund and Income Stabilization Tool»

	Soglia	Contributo
Sottomisura 17.1 - Assicurazioni art. 37 del Reg. (UE) 1305/2013	20 %	70 %
Sottomisura 17.2 - Fondi di mutualità art. 38 del Reg. (UE) 1305/2013	30 %	70 %
Sottomisura 17.3 - IST art. 39 del Reg. (UE) 1305/2013	30 %	70 %
Sottomisura 17.3 - IST Settoriali art. 39 bis del Reg. (UE) 1305/2013	20 %	70 %

«index are allowed to calculate indemnities»

Climate Change effects on probability

We have 3 elements in a lottery:

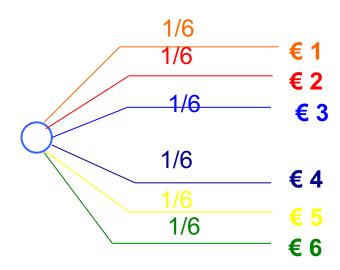
- i) The sets of possible outcome, «world state»;
- ii) The linked probability for each world state;
- iii) The corresponding value for each world state.

What we're talking about

If we throw a dice we face uncertain outcome; the linked lottery is characterized by:

- i) **Outcomes**: six possible outcome(6 dice face)
- ii) Probability: each outcome have the same probability, eg. 1/6
- iii) Value: e.g., amount of euro corresponding to the number of the face dice.

We could represents the lottery with a decision tree:





Expected value

The expected value of a random variable *X* is the value of *X* which manifests itself «on average».

Aiming to find the X value, we need to weigh the X value in each state of world with the probabiolity that the single state of world could happen.

The expected value of a lottery bounded with two possible outcomes would be:

$$EV = p \cdot v_1 + (1 - p) \cdot v_2$$

where p is the probability of the first outcome, and v_j represents the value linked to the outcome j.

If $v_j = v$ for $j = \{1,2\}$, then:

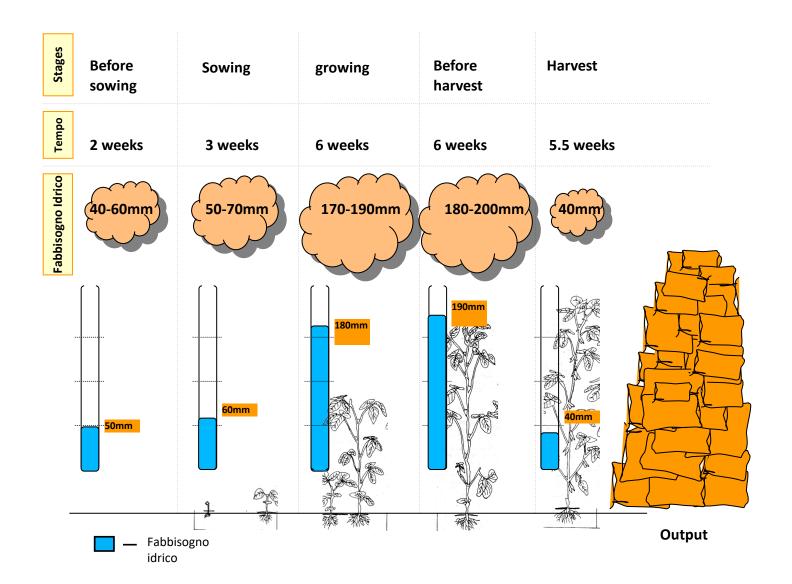
$$EV = p \cdot v + (1-p) \cdot v = v \cdot (p+1-p) = v$$

Summing up

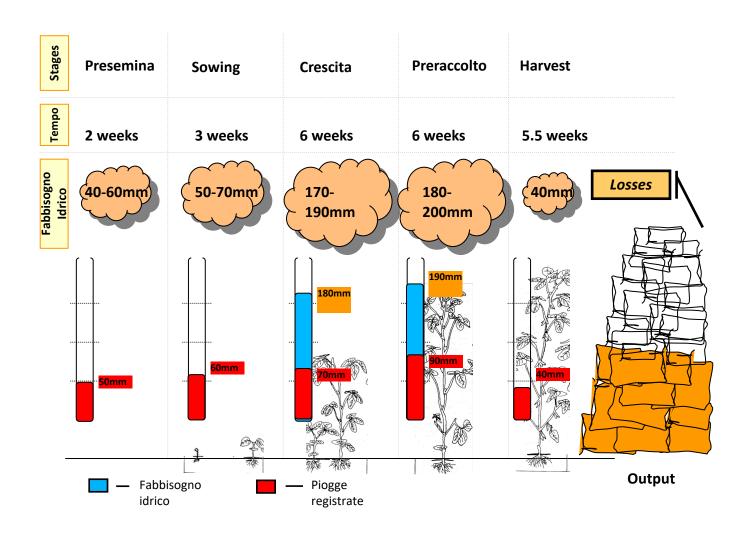
Farmers choice crucially depends of personal risk aversion, regional and wheather characteristics, crop cultivated, market volatility, credit and loan, crop and revenue diversification ,....

How many we know about that? Almost nothing!!!!!

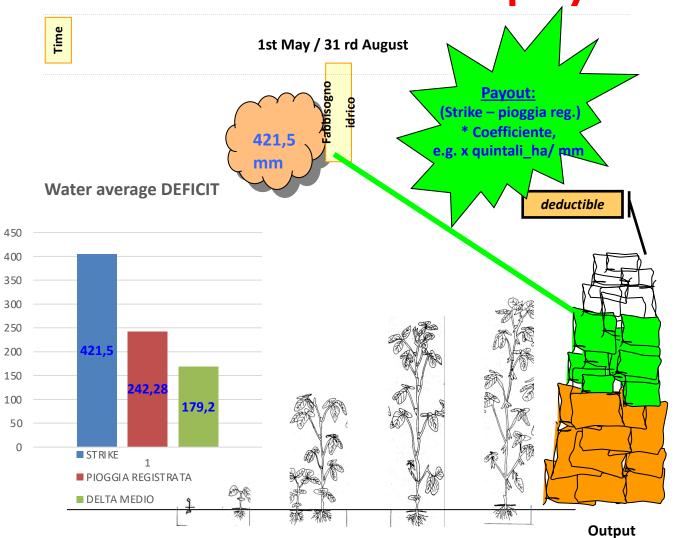
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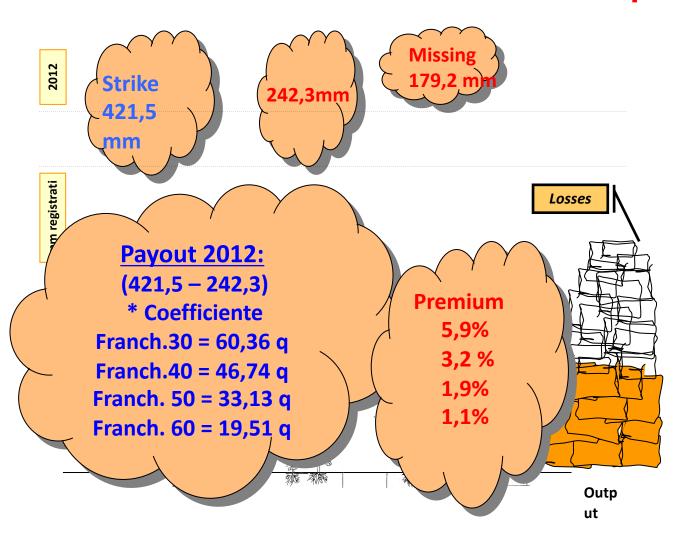
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Index insurance pay-off



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Agricultural sector is weak in the new scenario (climate/market)

- Revenue losses due to climate disaster+151% (1998-2018 vs 1978-1997);
- 2 billion of Euro of damages in average in the last 15 years;
- Foresee of 20 billion of Euro of losses in land value till 2040.
- Lack of risk management tools demand in Southern Region in Italy;
- Need for technical assistance;
- Need for a new model of public intervention

Suggestion

- Need for supplementary knowledge on territory and farmers characteristics (R&D);
- Multidisciplinarity;
- •New tools for technical support(training);
- New delivery model of the Cap.