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### 1 Introduction

This document guides the data collection on already existing European contract solutions which aim at the delivery of agri-environmental-climate public goods by agriculture and forestry. The document has the form of a questionnaire with open question, to be answered qualitatively by the means of literature, open source information, and/or expert talks. The document represents the first (publishable) part of CONSOLE MS4 "Protocol for data collection ready to use". This document should be cited as:

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## 2 Questionnaire

A3: Please specify your country.

A4: Case Study ID: country abbreviation in combination with a number (1,2,3,4).

A5: **Title:** Please name the title of the contract solution/case study

A6: The contract solution (case study) in a nutshell: Please describe the case study in two to three sentences, give a really short summary.

A7: **Problem statement:** Please provide a short description of the basic conditions/problems/issues that led to the implementation of the contract solution: Please consider the state/history of the agricultural/forestry system; Please consider the state/history of the environmental conditions; Please describe how these basic conditions led to the implementation of the contract solution? Please indicate who was the driving force/who took the initiative?

A8: **Objectives of the contract solution:** What are the specific objectives of the contract solution? What are the targets with regard to the AECPG's?

A9: **Summary:** Please provide a summary of the contract solution including the most important issues: contract features (result-based, collective, etc.), addressed public goods, start, involved parties, payment issues, area/systems covered; please give a short outlook into the future of the contract solution. Please keep in mind that this small summary should include all important contents, you want to provide in the factsheet at the beginning to give the reader an overview about the contract solution. Try to include the innovative elements of the contract solution into the summary.





# A10 **Participation/ Number of participants:** Please describe the participation to the contract solution

- --> Number of farms/foresters/contractees
- --> Area of implementation
- --> Other participants: e.g. bakeries / stakeholder etc.

A11: **Start/end:** Please describe since when this contract solution exists, and, if it has ended already, when it ended.

- Start of the contract solution:
- End of the contract solution:
- Note:

A12: **AECPGs addressed by the contract solution:** Please indicate the AECPGs **which are directly addressed** by the contract solution. The comment function is not mandatory, but if you want to add something, you can do so.

- o Landscape and scenery,
- o Recreational access / Improvements to physical and mental health,
- o (Farmland) biodiversity,
- o Air quality,
- o Soil quality (and health)
- o Climate regulation- carbon storage,
- o Climate regulation greenhouse gas emissions,
- o Resilience to natural hazards,
- o Rural viability and vitality,
- o Cultural heritage,
- o Quality and security of products,
- o Farm animal health and welfare
- o Water quality,
- o Water quantity (e.g. water retention)
- o Other:

A13: Indirect effects: Please indicate, if there are indirect effects on other PGs, which are not targeted by the contract solution but are a result of the change in agricultural/forestry management that took place as a part of the contract solution?

A14: **Contract features**: Please tick the contract features represented in your case study. If the contract solution represents a combination of features please tick both.

- o Result-based
- o Land-tenure
- Value chain
- o Collective implementation





o Other:

Which characteristics of the case study points to the given contract feature?

A14a: **Contract features combination:** If the contract solution represents a combination of contract features, please specify this combination. Are there any dependencies (for example: the eligibility for a practice-based payment is conditioned by the participation in a result-based scheme)?

A15: **Financing party:** Who is the financing party in the contract solution? Please tick the financing party below.

- o Government (with EU-funding)
- o Government (without EU-funding)
- Market sector-oriented
- o Consumer-oriented
- o Community based
- o Other:

A27: Funding/ Payments: Please describe the system of payment: Where does the money come from/Who exactly is the funding organisation? What must be fulfilled to receive the payment (e.g. what targets must be reached in a result-based payment scheme?) Who receives the payment (single farmers/foresters? group of farmers/foresters?) How much is it? What are the payment modalities? Are there premium levels? If yes, how do the look like? Special features?

A26: Specific payment mechanism/Mechanism for stimulating voluntary supply: Which mechanism is used?

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- Tradable emission certifications
- o Incentive payments
- Product price
- o Other:\_\_\_

A16: **Contract partnership:** Please describe the partnership represented by the contract: Please tick the type of partnership of your contract solution below. Please specify your answer! (More than one option is possible)

0	Public-private:
0	Private-private:
o	Civil society-private:
0	Public-private-civil society:
$\gtrsim$	Others





A17: Contracting parties / involved parties 1: please mention all parties which are involved into the contract solution and describe their role in the contract solution: short description. Please also write a few words about the development of the participation.

A18: **Contracting parties/involved parties 2:** Please answer for each involved party in the contract solution: What are the advantages of participating in the contract solution? (e.g. benefits, payments, etc.)

A19: Contracting parties/involved parties 3: If possible, please give an insight about the legal status (land owner, individual entrepreneurs, agricultural cooperative..., other) of the contracting parties.

A19a: Does the contract cover the whole farm or only single parcels?

A20: **Contract conclusion:** Please tick the basis of cooperation used in your case study.

- o Written agreement (contract)
- o verbal agreement / handshake
- o Other:\_\_\_\_

A21: **Length:** length of contract / length of participation in contract solution: e.g. 1 year, 5 years, open end, etc.

0	Length of contract:
0	Length of participation in contract solution:

A22: **Renewal / termination:** Are the following things regulated in the contract and if yes, please specify:

- renewal of the contract
- termination (are there conditions in the contract solution in the event of termination of the contract)

A23: **Conditions of participation:** Please describe the conditions of participations in five to ten sentences: Is there a minimum or maximum number of participants? Are all requirements and standards defined precisely and comprehensibly? What are the consequences of non-compliance with the contractual conditions?

A24: Requirements for farmers/foresters: Please mention the requirements of the contract solution: Are there any management, environmental, etc. requirements in the contract solution the farmer needs to meet.





- A24a: **Product requirements:** Beside the provision of public goods, the contract solution might be targeting the production of a special product. (for example, organic honey, meat, wood, etc.). If yes, please describe the product addressed by the contract solution. Please also describe the product quality parameters that have to be fulfilled!
- A 25: **Controls/monitoring:** Are there controls, if so what are the conditions? Are results monitored? Which indicators are measured? Who monitors? (e.g. self-monitoring, frequency of controls, etc.)
- A28: **Risk /uncertainties of participants:** What are the main sources of risk and uncertainties of participants. (e.g. price risks, delivery quantity, investments, husbandry risks, risk of not reaching objectives (e.g. result based payments))
- 29: **Links to other contractual relationships:** for example: obligations that limit the PG contract to the duration of a rent contract etc.
- A30: **Location 1:** Is the case study implemented in a specific region or is the participation possible for the whole country. If the contract solution is "regional", please indicate the exact location, where the case study is implemented (please indicate the NUTS 2 to 3 Code).
- A31: **Location 2:** Please add a small map were the area is highlighted and if possible, include some photos with agricultural context (up to 3). It is very important that you own the rights for the pictures or have a permission to use them in the factsheets. Please name the photo credit, so we can use it.
- A32: Landscape and Climate: please describe the landscape and the climate of the region the contract solution is implemented. Are there specific scenic and ecological characteristics (habitat, landscape elements), what are the climatic conditions like? (with considerations of the factors which could be relevant for the contract solution).
- A33: Farm/forestry system targeted: What farming system/type of farming/forestry is targeted by the contract solution? Please provide a short description of the agricultural/forestry practices. e.g. management form, average farm size, share of organic farms, intensity (e.g. frequency of cutting)/forestry intensity, shares of landuse, ownership structure, full-time farmer/part-time farmer