

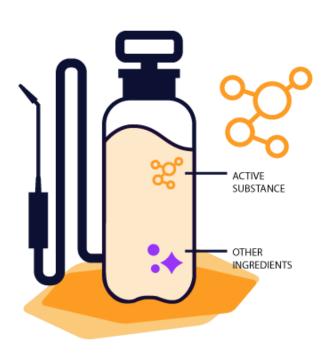
# Micro-organismi in biopesticidi: Regolamenti UE nel contesto Farm to Fork e loro modifiche

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## Active substance and Plant Protection Product (PPP)



• <u>Active substances</u>: components of PPP that actually prevent, destroys or control harmful organisms (the so-called pests, such as insects, fungi and weeds) or plant diseases.

→ Approved at EU level

- Plant protection products: mixtures containing one or several active substance(s) and other ingredients (so-called co-formulants).
- → Authorised at Member State (or zonal) level



#### The regulatory lifecycle for PPP

Regulation 396/2005 (Maximum Residue Levels)

Directive 2009/128/EC (sustainable use of pesticide)\*

#### Regulation 1107/2009 (placing on the market)

To sell PPP to users



To use PPP properly



To sell PPP treated food products



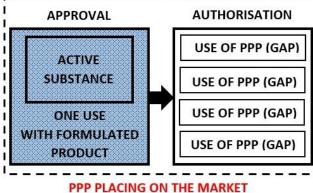
\*On 22 June 2022 EC adopted a proposal of new Regulation on the Sustainable Use of Plant Protection Products

## Regulation 1107/2009 (placing on the market)



#### **Active substances**

AS may be used in PPP (1 safe scenario)



REGULATION (EC) 1107/2009



#### **Plant protection products**

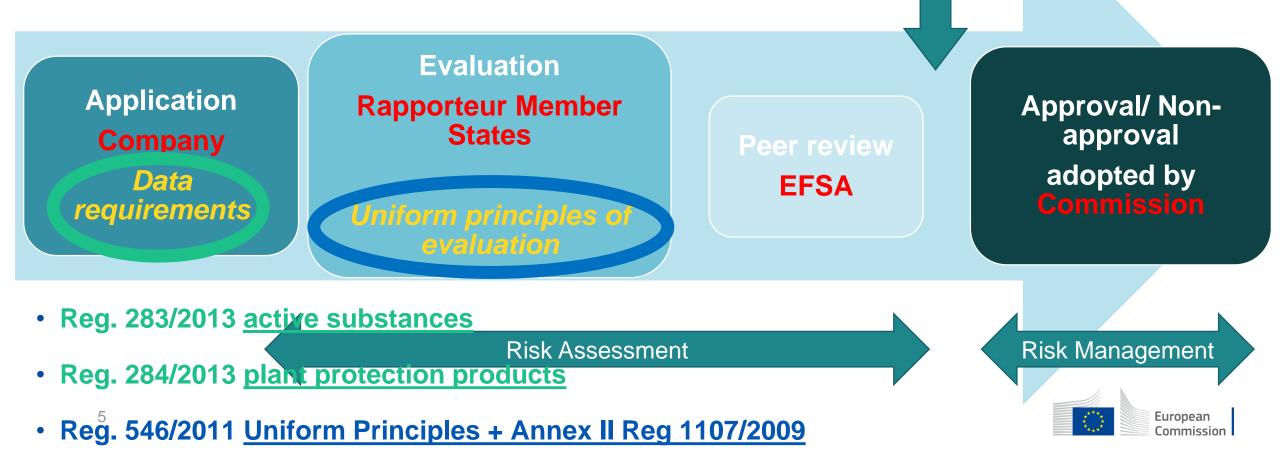
PPP may be used under certain conditions (dose, frequency, conditions and restrictions)





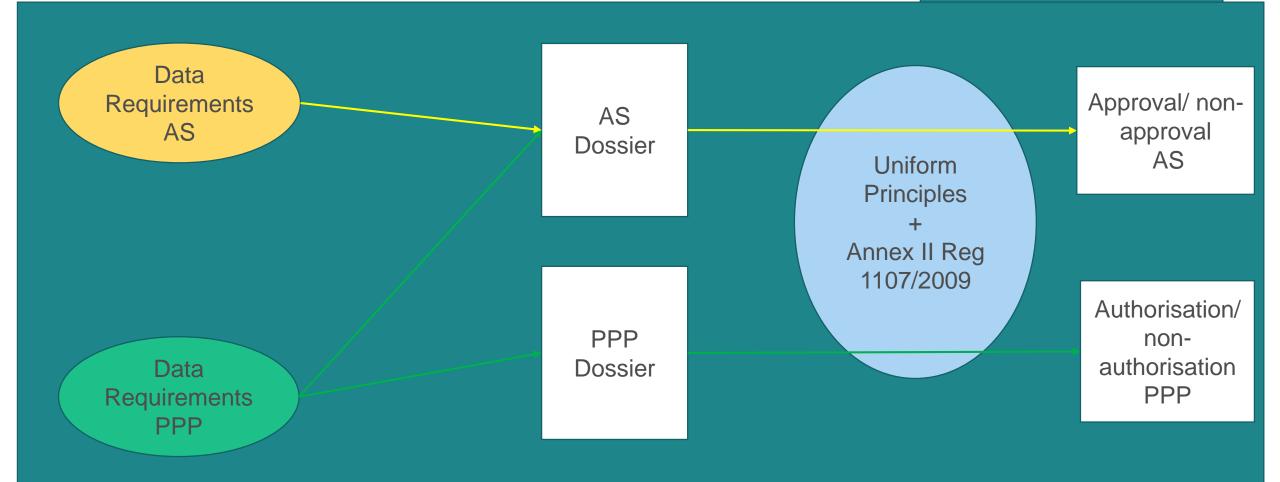
#### Regulation 1107/2009 Active substances (EU level) *Process:*

- Standing Commitee for Plants Animals Food and Feed (PAFF, 27 MS)
- Restrictions of use and/or risk mitigations could be set



#### How the Regulations interact

Reg 1107/2009





### Farm to Fork and Sustainable use of pesticides

From Farm to Fork: Our food, our health, our planet, our future

The European Green Deal

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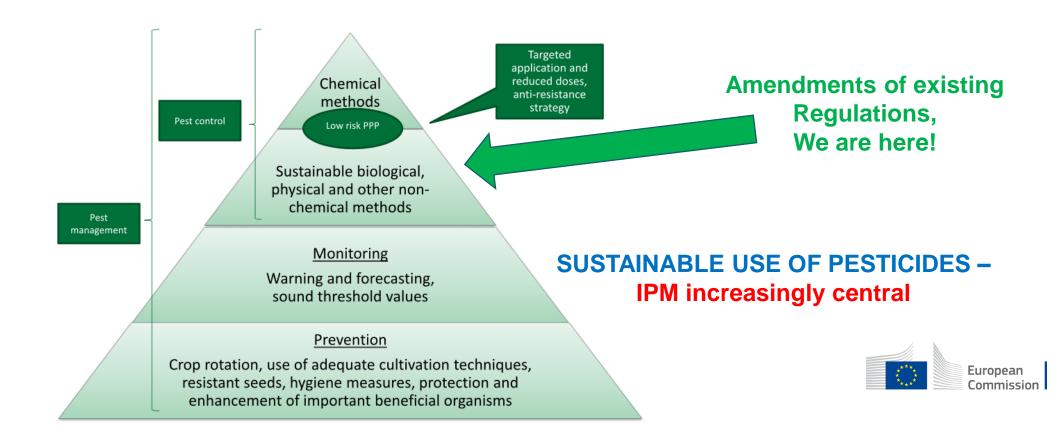
**The use of pesticides in agriculture** contributes to pollution of soil, water and air. The Commission will take actions to:

**vertice by 50%** the use and risk of chemical pesticides by 2030.

reduce by 50% the use of more hazardous pesticides by 2030.

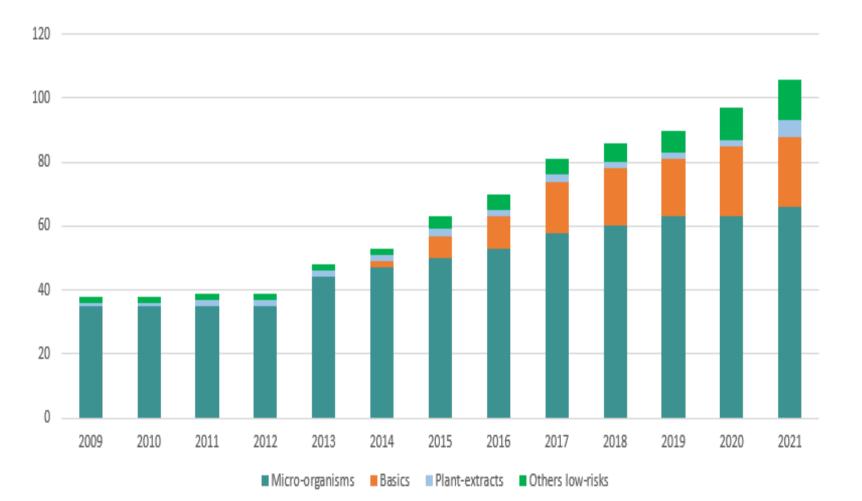


**Organic farming** is an environmentally-friendly practice that needs to be further developed. The Commission will boost the development of EU organic farming area with the aim to achieve **25% of total farmland under organic farming by 2030**.



# Revision of EU framework: why focusing on micro-organisms?

Low hazard active substances approved in EU





## Reg involved in the amendment:

Reg. 283/2013 (data requirements AS): *which data are needed to an applicant to submit a dossier of an AS?* 

Reg. 284/2013 (data requirements PPP): «which data are needed to an applicant to submit a dossier of a PPP?»

Reg. 546/2011 (Uniform Principles) + <u>Annex II Reg 1107/2009</u>: «how risk assessors should evaluate AS and PPP, and which are the decision making criteria?»



## Principles of the revision

□ New scientific approaches:

- ✓ Stop mimicking chemical approach
- ✓ Evolution of science and technology
- ✓ Experience with current applications
- ✓ Weight of evidence
- □ "Need-to-know" approach (i.e. which questions are relevant to answer?)

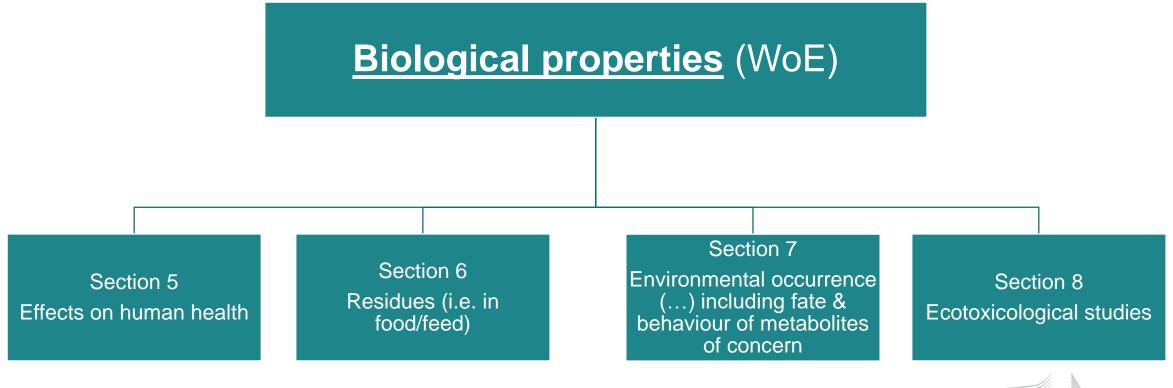
□ Tiered-based approach (mandatory and conditional requirements)

□ Increasing quality



### Biological properties (Reg 283/2013)

Central role in data requirements (e.g. production of "metabolites of concern")





#### Tiered-based approach

Example on pathogenicity to humans (Section 5 Reg 283/2013)

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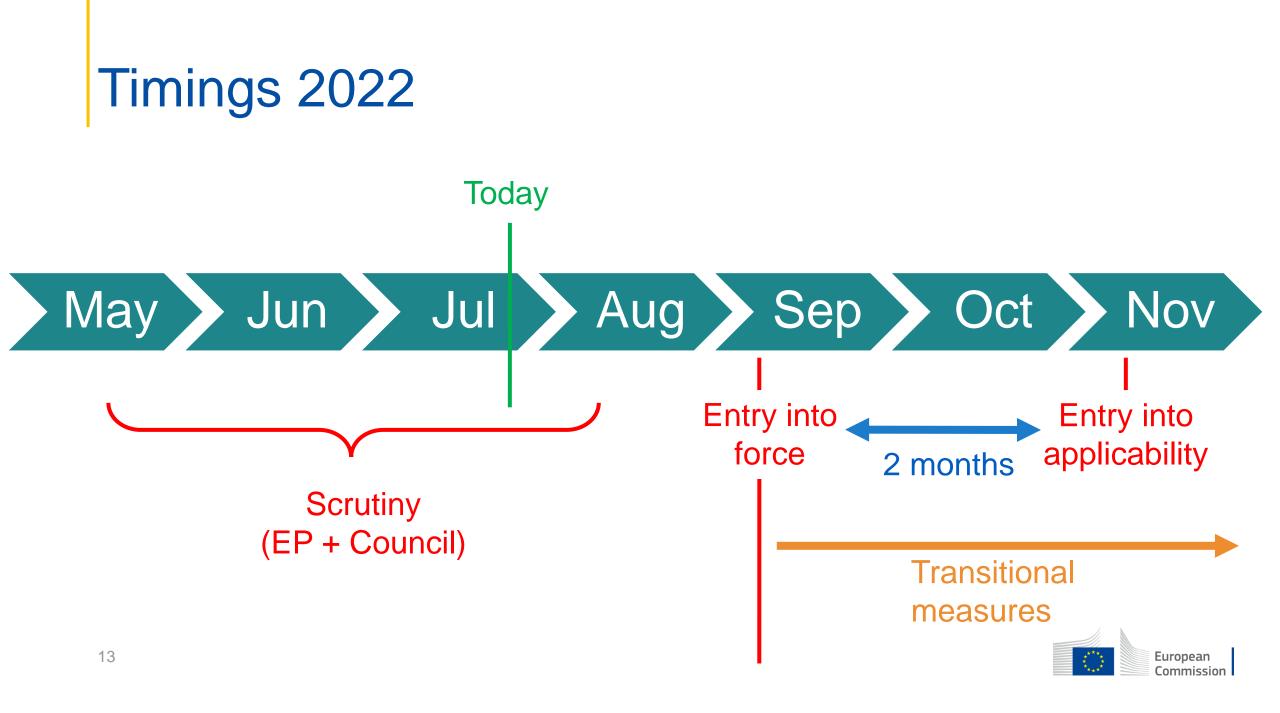
- 1- Weight of evidence approach (WoE)
- Biological properties
- Medical data
- Others

2- Pathogenicity and infectivity studies (new data generation)

- Acute oral, and/or
- Acute intratracheal/ intranasal, and/or
- Intravenous/Intraperitoneal or subcutaneous test

3- Specific pathogenicity and infectivity studies (new data generation)

• If WoE and pathogenicity and infectivity studies require further <sup>12</sup>investigation



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