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Subject: Notes meeting with Bayer_ 28 NOVEMBER

Dear both,
Can you please Ares the minutes below for this meeting.
Thanks

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Notes meeting with Bayer on 28 November 2022

Participants:

- Mr Burtscher
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Proposal on classification and labelling of chemicals:

- The draft proposal introduces new hazards classifications and several agrochemical fall into these categories
- As a consequences, 60% of active ingredients used for agrochemicals will be 'lost'.
- For instance, it won't be possible to use any of the herbicides used currently for sugar beet production. This will have a huge impact on the competitiveness of the sector.
- It is crucial that the impact on agriculture is assessed but this is not done.
- There is a very well regulated framework for agrochemicals. As results, specific information is available and we should use it to assess the hazards. This is a crucial issue.
- We have shared studies and evidences with ENV and GROW.

Green Deal initiatives:

- Overall concerned about the impact on agriculture especially on the balance between env-climate aspects and competitiveness
- F2F advocates for volume reduction rather than impact reduction, this is an issue.
- Need to support new technologies: digital farming, NGT, etc;

Mr Burtscher:

- Legislative initiatives are needed to change behaviour
- It is important that the process is steered giving sufficient time and making sure farmers are ready and can use alternatives.
- Most of the GD initiatives are not within AGRI portfolio but of course we are closely following them as they have an impact on agriculture
- In the current context, it is important also to ensure food security

- Concerning the Proposal on classification and labelling of chemicals, we will liaise with ENV and GROW to see how the information you have shared has been considered.