

Agriculture in Transformation WWF - Welcome Note

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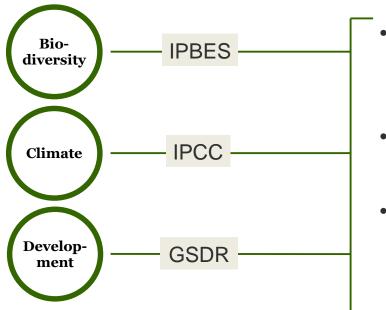
Mission of the WWF

Stop the global destruction of nature and create a future in which humans and nature live in harmony.



We need transformational change of society and economy

We have a planetary crisis ... and a unified message of science:



- There is a **clear correlation** between climate, biodiversity and development
- Only a common addressing has long-term chance on success
- Only unprecedented, rapid and transformative change in all economic and social sectors will help us.



Insect killing in Germany

- 76% decrease in biomass of flying insects (1989 2016)
- Measurements at 60 locations
- Protected areas <50 ha, typical of German cultural landscape types



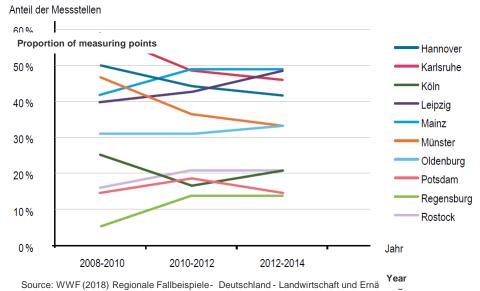


Agriculture and water conservation



Groundwater body in poor condition related to nitrate (2016)

Proportion of selected measuring points> 50mg / I (2008-2014)





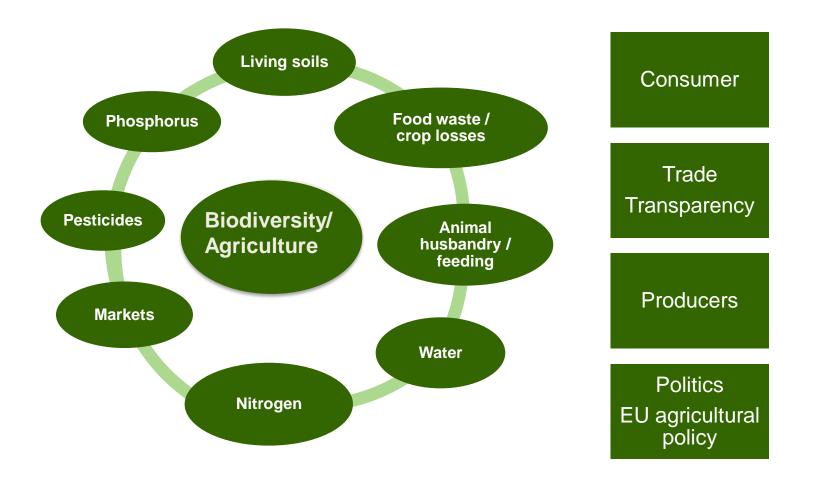
German society







Agriculture and biodiversity are like the game "Mikado"



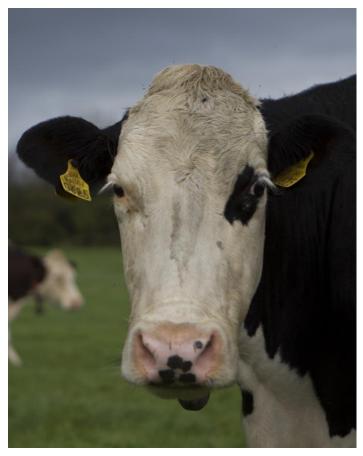


We need transformation

Start of a more sustainable agriculture has been postponed for years. Now it has to be fast

Reliable, economically feasible framework for agriculture

Politics has long focused on the interests of agribusiness and foodproduction





We need Transformation

Farmers want to contribute to environmental and climate protection are not supported well financially

Protecting nature and climate as well as the sustainable use of soil and water need funding and priority





Transformation has several flats in one house

Goal: sustainable agriculture

Enforce more sustainable cultivation

- More biodiversity (water and living soil)
- Stop species
 extinction
- Keep an eye on planetary boundaries

Transformation:

- Stop nitrate
 contamination
- Reduce herbicide and pesticide

Goods flow chain

Must be part of Trade agreements

Change consumption and more transparency

Information on the effects of shopping and meat consumption on climate, biodiversity, soil and water.

Transformation:

- Transarency
 - Law

Transformation:

- Eat better and less
 meat
- Regional & Seasonal
- Labelling
 - Support regional food



The futur CAP as a way to transition

- -"Eco-Schemes" on the way to a more sustainable European agriculture offer maximum planning security and financial support.
- High shift to column 2 for future activites





Steps to Solutions

Agriculture is part of the solution and in charge of services for society and plays a hugh role:

- Food
- Biodiversity
- Health
- Water
- Climate adaptation

- Society needs absolut transparency in all these proceses



We need smart solutions! Let's go for it!

Thank you

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