

# Green politics and farmers future Impact-Driven Approach concept

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#### THE BIGGER PICTURE

- Global trend of problem ownership and efforts to adapt to and mitigate the impacts of the climate crisis
- Agricultural production plays a vital role and is subject to intervention and being a major part of solution
- In the future producers will need to report and improve their input consumption
- Growing interest from retailers for farm-level data









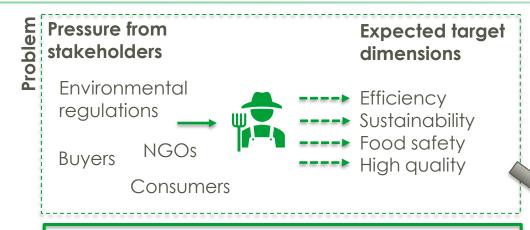
# Der Reduktion von möglichen Pflanzenschutzmittelrückständen in unseren Eigenmarken wird bei Lidl oberste Priorität eingeräumt.







#### **IMPACT-DRIVEN APPROACH: WHAT IT IS**



#### Collect on-farm data



Support

#### GLOBALG.A.P.

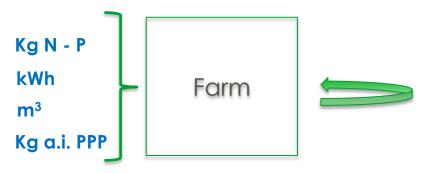
- Promotes good agricultural practices
- Requires documentation and record-keeping
- Positive spill-overs to other areas

Part of the Solution



#### **IMPACT-DRIVEN APPROACH: WHAT IT IS II**

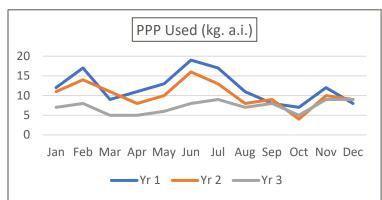
#### Impact-Driven Approach to Sustainability

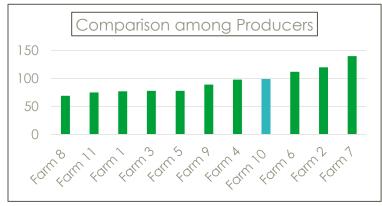


#### **Assumption:**

Input consumption as a proxy for Env Performance **Expected benefits:** 

- Support growers in performance improvement
- Leaner auditing
- Outcome-based standards
- Monitoring impact of GLOBALG.A.P.







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- Support producers in their processes (improve decision-making)
- Provide a tool to monitor and evaluate the impact of standards
- Streamline the standard and simplify the assurance process
- Provide the supply chain with clear and reliable information on sustainability performance
- Increase confidence of stakeholders in a certification system

- GLOBALG.A.P. has contributed to sustainability in agriculture:
  - Good practices → environmentally friendly, and safe agriculture
  - larger spill-over effects (at sector and national level)
- GLOBALG.A.P. aims to do more!
  - Strengthening criteria AND data to track performance.



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#### INPUT CONSUMPTION

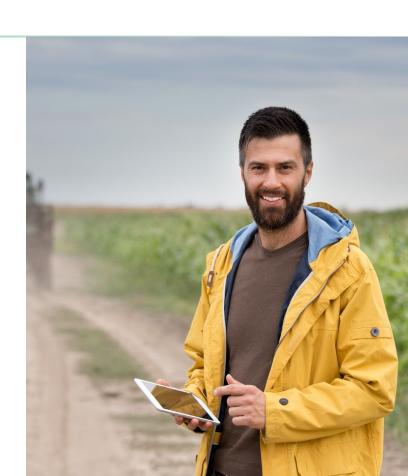
- Disclaimer: Is input consumption a measure of performance?
  - Contexts vary (farms, regulations, weather, markets), and
  - Amounts used do not necessarily decrease.
- Data helps track performance and communicate clearly.
  - With more growers, and more years, reliability of data increases.
  - Trends become meaningful in terms of management, fields, crops.



### INPUT CONSUMPTION II

- Raw data not to be used to:
  - Grant or deny a certificate.
  - Judge a grower on their performance.
  - Be shared with the supply chain or other stakeholders.

Auditors will help ensure data is reliable.





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#### **HOW IT WORKS**



Grower registers input indicators in farm management system (FMS).



FMS shares data with GLOBALG.A.P.



GLOBALG.A.P. stores and processes data.



GLOBALG.A.P. returns processed data to FMS:



historical individual trends in input consumption, and comparison reports.



FMS displays reports for individual growers.



GLOBALG.A.P. shares selected info with CBs

- · Contextualize and analyze data
- Understand producer realities better
- Improve standard and find solutions to reduce assurance efforts

- Improvement of processes
- Identification of regional trends and development of fitting solutions



# HOW IT WORKS II DATAPOINTS: FROM GROWER TO FARM MANAGEMENT SYSTEM



- Kg of commercial PPP / ha / month,
- Names of commercial PPP used,



- Kg of N (in organic and inorganic fertilizers) used / ha / month,
- Kg of P (in organic and inorganic fertilizers) used / ha / month,



- Amount of water abstracted from water sources / month,
- Amount of water used in irrigation at the farm/month,
- Percentage (%) irrigation water /abstracted (sources) / farm / month.



- Amount of energy in kWh used at the farm / month.
  - Percentage (%) renewable / non-renewable sources.



# HOW IT WORKS III IMPACT DRIVEN-APPROACH - OPTIONS AS OF NOV 2020

#### **IDA Module**

i) A standalone Module

- ii) An Add-on on top of:
  - i) IFA FO v5.2
  - ii) Primary Farm Assurance (localg.a.p.) for FO

#### IDA Add-on

Primary Farm
Assurance for
Flowers &
Ornamentals
v5

IDA Add-on

Integrated Farm
Assurance for
Flowers &
Ornamentals
v5.2



# HOW IT WORKS IV IMPACT DRIVEN-APPROACH - CONTENT

**IDA Module** 

IDA Add-on

In IFA or in PFA

#### Claim:

**IDA**: environmental registration / input consumption / IPM

Site referencing system

Records

Quantitative goals

Digital sharing of inputs used (PPP, fertilizers, energy, water).

Integrated Pest Management

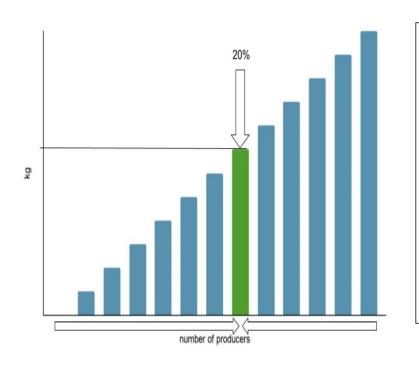


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# USING DATA FOR THE SUPPLY CHAIN – TENTATIVE REPORTS – I 1. FIRST IMPRESSIONS, WHAT DOES IT MEAN?



With data of first year(s) / initial picture of situation on the ground.

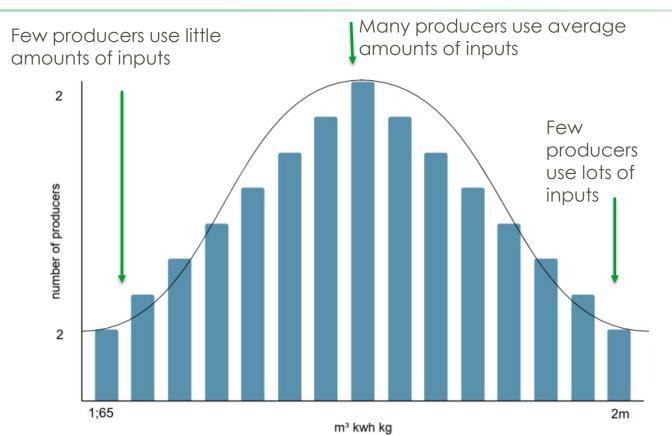
The more producers participate and more time of data collection, the better the picture.

Are we understanding the context?

Involve producers and experts.



# USING DATA FOR THE SUPPLY CHAIN – TENTATIVE REPORTS – II 2. SET THE BASELINE: THE "NORMAL DISTRIBUTION"



Group of producers growing the same crop under similar conditions.

These can be members of a supply base of a retailer.

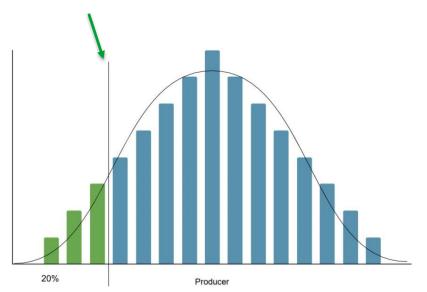
A retailer could see similar reports for different production regions.



# USING DATA FOR THE SUPPLY CHAIN – TENTATIVE REPORTS – III 3. SET GOALS BASED ON THE (REAL) BASELINE

#### Example:

draw the line after the best 20% Set it as the goal for the next (3-4?) years



An initial baseline consists of the normal distribution of producers in the present.

A goal can be defined based on the present reality of participating producers.

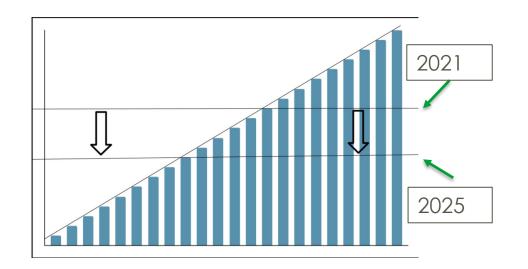
No goal is imposed without knowledge.

The goal can be validated based on representativeness of the farms included in a specific group being compared.



# USING DATA FOR THE SUPPLY CHAIN – TENTATIVE REPORTS – IV 4. CALCULATE AGGREGATED IMPROVEMENTS/"NORMALITY"

- Potential aggregated claims for a specific supply base
- Reduction of average consumption with time
- Describe "normality", does it match expectations, allegations?

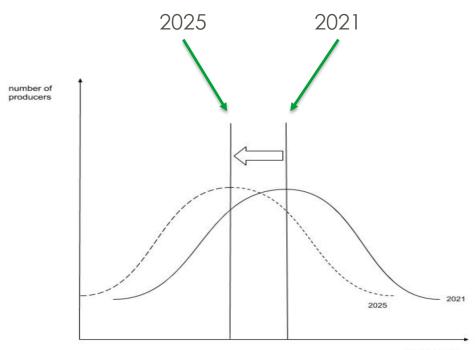


Communications towards stakeholders provide confidence of long-term trends, improvements, optimal levels.

This can help the entire supply chain, to communicate with society on its performance as a whole supply base.



# USING DATA FOR THE SUPPLY CHAIN – TENTATIVE REPORTS – V 5. COMMUNICATE PROGRESS/NORMALITY OF A SPECIFIC GROUP



The group of producers, **as a** whole, is reducing inputs used.

Limit is reached when process is optimized, the leaders have found the optimal level.

Further steps can be made through a technological breakthrough or a different type of change.

kg PPP used



### THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION!

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