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From theory to practice:
examples of Dutch
experiments

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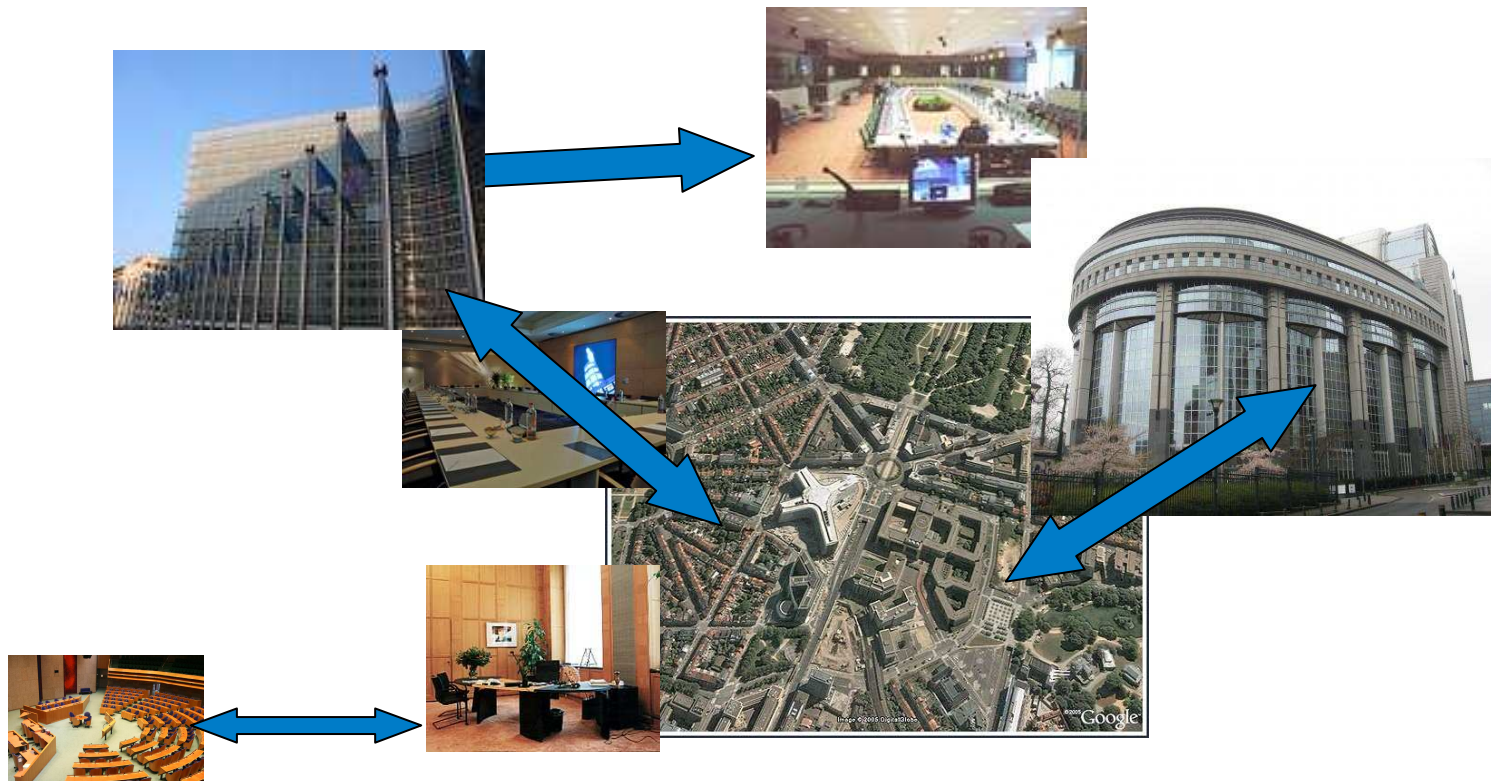
structure of the presentation

1. Political context – CAP-post 2013
2. The tale of the Black-tailed Godwit
3. CAP-pilots in the NL
4. Concluding remarks





political context – CAP-post 2013





what's going on

Discussion CAP – post 2013

Main hurdles

- A sound EU-agri-budget
- reallocation => EU-12
- phasing-out historic model
- “greening”

..towards a MTR in





anyhow, there will be an outcome
- sooner or later -





2. the tale of the Black-tailed Godwit





why Black-tailed Godwits?

90% of Northern
Europeans Black
tailed Godwits
breed in the
Netherlands

Near Treathened
(decline 25% in
last 15 years)

Protected by
Directive
79/409/EEC on
the conservation
of wild birds





implementation in RDP 2000-2009 (co-financed)

6 year agro-environment contracts

different levels of protection for grassland birds 6 years on the same location based on farmers choice

based on first come first served by individual farmers (but collective application possible by agro-nature associations)

quota and location designated by Province





why the Change?

Administrative change

- Province responsible for rural area with budget
- New implementation of all environment related subsidies

No Results

- Numbers of black-tailed godwits keep declining
- While allocated resources are considerable

Frustration Environmental stakeholders

- The right management at the wrong place
- No coordination
- No role for local stakeholders



Implementation from 2010 onwards (mixed co-financed and state aid)

6 year agro-environment contracts min-max area (co-financed)

different levels of protection for grassland birds where needed

area coordinator makes area plan (based on past experience)

Province approves area plan

Farmers can only get subsidy if aid application is envisaged in area plan

Last minute one year contracts for “chicken strips” (state aid)





.....questions



Why are effective measures not Lawfull under RD

- 1 year agro environment payments
- Payment to collectives benefitting farmers



Payment for results?

- Example: Stimulating solar energy in the Netherlands
- Paying what a measure is worth for society instead of income foregone and costs incurred



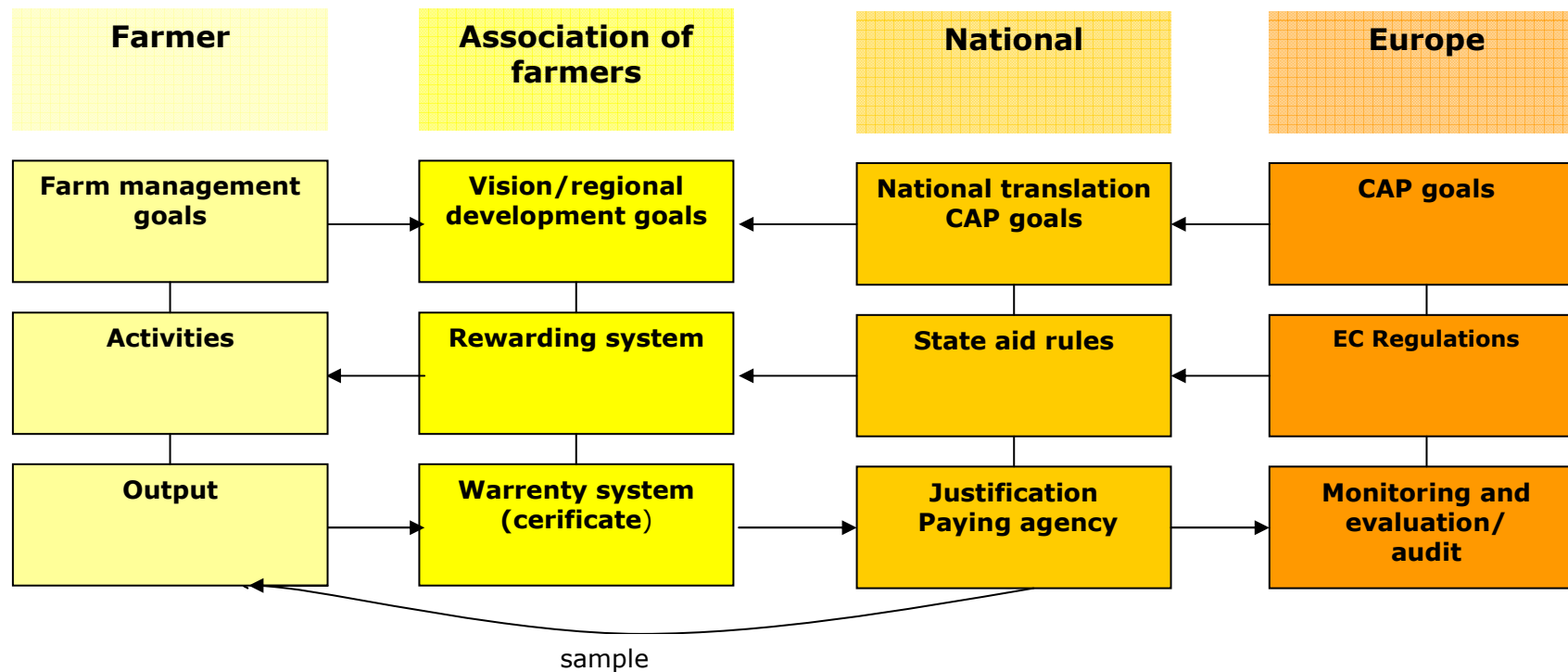
3. CAP - pilots

- Next step
- 4 pilot projects 2011/2012 in NL
- broader scope (not only meadow birds)
- bottom-up / regional / holistic approach
- programming led by (association of) farmers
- self-managing & controlling system ?
- from measures towards reaching goals
- to explore existing R&D-constraints → a new collective approach





dimensions of the CAP-pilots





4. concluding remarks





looking for a better balance

- individuals ↔ associations/collectives
- flexibility ↔ but no free riders
- responsibility ↔ no carte blanche
- centralised ↔ regional/local
- focus on measures ↔ public results
- case by case ↔ integrated approach

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anything else?



