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Deliverable description

A draft of the “Detailed report on Policy Implications for Post Kyoto policies” exists that discusses various aspects of planned/discussed policy options regarding LULUCF and their implications.

Included aspects are:

- 1) Impacts of including the LULUCF sector in the EU's GHG reduction: options are:
 - a) A self-standing framework with no linkage to other sectors.
 - b) Linkage to the non-trading sectors under the Effort Sharing Decision.
 - c) Linkage to the EU-ETS.
 The project will focus on the first option only.
- 2) The type of mitigation incentive mechanisms: following types of incentives are discussed:
 - a) Binding (or voluntary) quantitative sector target either at Community level and/or at Member State levels, potentially with transferability of allowances between Member States.
 - b) Redirecting existing subsidies i.e. under the CAP or EU regional funds, so as to create incentives to increase the removals and reduce the emissions from agriculture and forests in Europe.
 - c) Project-based offsets from the LULUCF sector, e.g. afforestation projects financed by the ETS sector.
- 3) Type and coverage of activities included and timing: partial or staged inclusion of activities.
- 4) Base year and reference projections: will have an effect on the potential for reducing the net GHG emissions and the costs of mitigation.
- 5) Uncertainties related to MRV: uncertainties involved in Monitoring, Reporting and Verification (MRV). The uncertainties resulting from MRV differ from the uncertainties due to uncertain or lacking data, variable input parameters or uncertain future developments but are related. Uncertainties involved in MRV reflect the difficulties in recording and verifying mitigation efforts against the underlying uncertainty. The higher the underlying uncertainty is (e.g. natural variability of a carbon pool), the more uncertain are the measurable mitigation efforts.

The document is currently not publically available. With respect to the ongoing negotiations the draft has not been authorised for publication by the Commission, yet.