

# EU survey on possible future development of the FPR

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## Introduction

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The purpose of this survey is to collect proposals to adapt the annexes of the Fertilising Products Regulation (EU) 2019/1009 ('FPR') to technical progress.

In accordance with Article 42 FPR, the Commission is empowered to adopt delegated acts.

The **scope** of the empowerment covers:

- Annex I, with the exception of cadmium limit values and the definitions, or other elements relating to the scope, of product function categories,
- Annexes II, III and IV.

The **purposes** of such amendments are:

- adapting those Annexes to technical progress and
- facilitating internal market access and free movement for EU fertilising products.

The EU fertilising products concerned by such amendments have to fulfil the following conditions:

1. they have the potential to be the subject of significant trade on the internal market, and
2. there is scientific evidence that they:
  - a. do not present a risk to human, animal or plant health, to safety or to the environment, and
  - b. ensure agronomic efficiency.

National authorities as well as any interested stakeholders (industry associations, economic operators, etc.) are invited to fill it in.

The Commission services will decide if to follow-up on any of the proposals submitted depending on the priorities of the Commission, the robustness of the data provided and the available resources. Proposals submitted by 16 September 2022 will be screened for possible inclusion in a study to support the Commission assessment. Proposals submitted after that date would be gathered and considered for future developments on the medium and long term.

All questions are mandatory and the contribution cannot be finalised without including replies to all questions.

The information provided in reply to this EU Survey becomes publicly available once the contribution is submitted, with the exception of **personal data included in the field marked with \*\***. Please, make sure not to include personal data outside the fields dedicated for personal data and marked accordingly.

Please, do not include any confidential information. If you find that sharing confidential documents in support of your proposal is necessary, please, send them by e-mail to [GROW-fertilising-products@ec.europa.eu](mailto:GROW-fertilising-products@ec.europa.eu) after having finalized your contribution in EU survey. Please, clearly indicate in your e-mail that the documents are shared in the context of the data collection via this EU survey and that they are confidential.

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[FPR\\_confidentiality\\_aspects.pdf](#)

## Section A – Who are you?

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### \* 1. I represent:

- An EU country
- An Observer in the Commission expert group on fertilising products
- A national industry association
- A University/research institute
- A company
- An NGO
- Other

### 2. Details on the institution/entity you represent:

#### \* a. Name of the institution/entity

EurEau - European Federation of Water Services

#### \* b. Address – at least the country where it is established

Belgium

#### c. Main objective

Working to solve 8 challenges of Water Services in Europe (<https://www.eureau.org/about/8-big-challenges>) and in particular make the European Legislation compatible with the contribution of the water sector to the circular economy for this specific initiative.

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### 3. My name and contact details\*\* (these are personal data and will not be published)

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### Section B – what do you propose?

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#### \* I propose to:

- Introduce new input materials in an existing CMC
- Introduce a new material or amend the requirements for a material into an existing CMC
- Add a new micro-organism into CMC 7
- Introduce a new processing method or amend the requirements for processes into an existing CMC
- Introduce a new CMC
- Other (choose this option for proposals concerning Annex I, III or IV)

#### \* Other (please, explain; choose this option for proposals concerning Annex I, III or IV)

*100 character(s) maximum*

Present several issues related to CMC through a summary table

### Section C – description of your proposal

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#### Section C6 - Other

#### \* 1. What do you propose to change and in which Annex?

Annex II

#### \* 2. Why are the current provisions problematic or insufficient in your view?

The FPR excludes some materials that can be recovered from waste water that could have quality criteria and a market value that would legitimate their inclusion.

#### \* 3. How would your proposal address the problem you identified?

Our proposal explores different solution for different materials and is presented in a table to summarise all issues.

- \* 4. Does such a change has an impact on the safety or agronomic efficiency of the EU fertilising products?

Some quality criteria for the final recovered material might be explored in order to ensure environmental safety.

## Section D – broader context

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- \* 1. Does your proposal follow the logic of Circular Economy?

Yes as it aim at clarifying the status of address the possibility to reuse materials recovered from waste water treatment. It would avoid the generation of waste and allow to contribute to Europe independence in term of fertilizing products.

- \* 2. Is it environmental friendly?

By reusing materials, it contributes to avoid the impact of extracting new materials. Some materials may contain pollutants but with the appropriate requirements based on scientific evidence, it is possible to use these secondary materials safely.

- \* 3. Will this initiative contribute to the reduction of dependency on critical raw materials, such as phosphate rock?

Yes, waste water treatment process removes carbon; nitrogen and phosphorus from waste water to concentrate it in sewage sludge. Treating sewage sludge to recover and reuse material will therefore contribute to reduce import of phosphate rock.

## Section E – supporting documents

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Please, attach supporting documents such as:

- Documents from the national authorisation process
- REACH registration dossier
- Studies, scientific literature
- Statistical data, market data
- Your amendment proposal
- Other

*Attention! The documents will become publicly available. Please, make sure they do not contain any personal or confidential data.*

Only files of the type pdf,txt,doc,docx,odt,rtf are allowed

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## Contact

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