



# The EU rural dimension beyond 2013

**Eururalis 2.0** 

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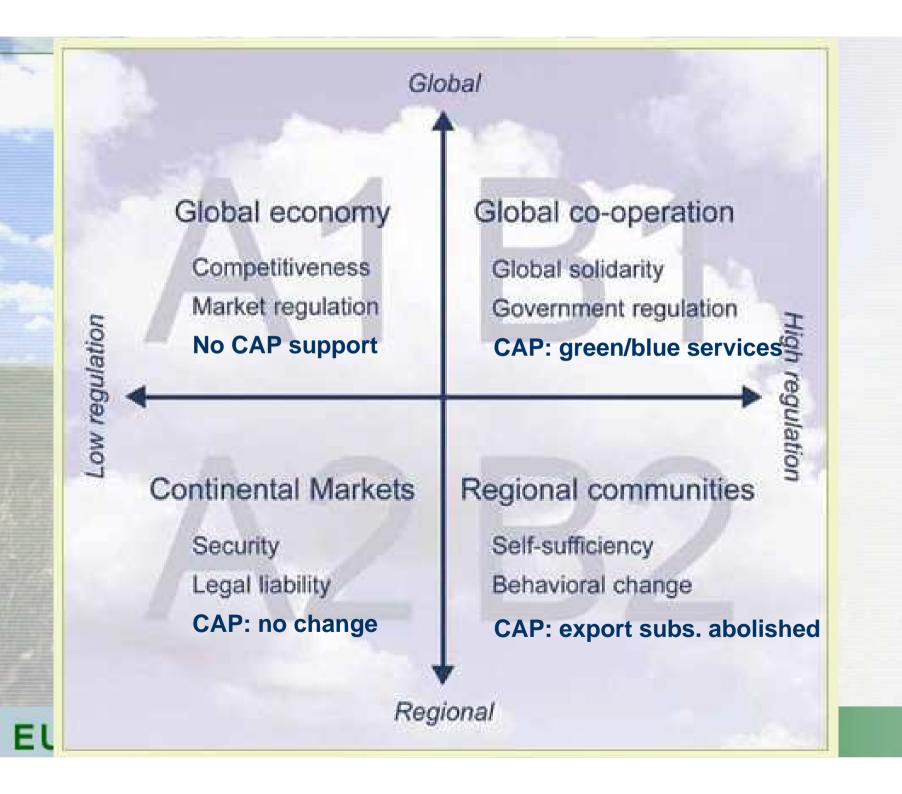
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#### Goals of Eururalis

- Autonomous developments of EU rural areas
- Impact of policy options on PPP
- European focus global context
- Spatially explicit 2030
- Strategic discussion support

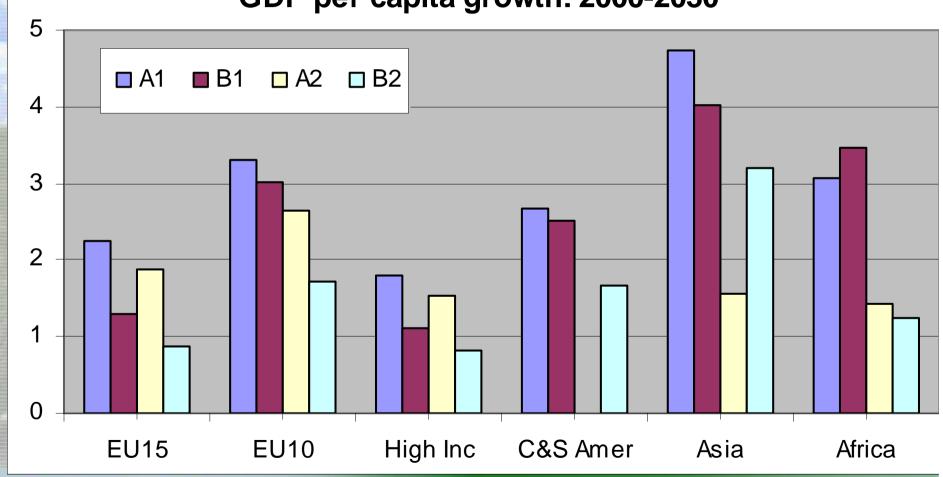


### Assumptions storylines

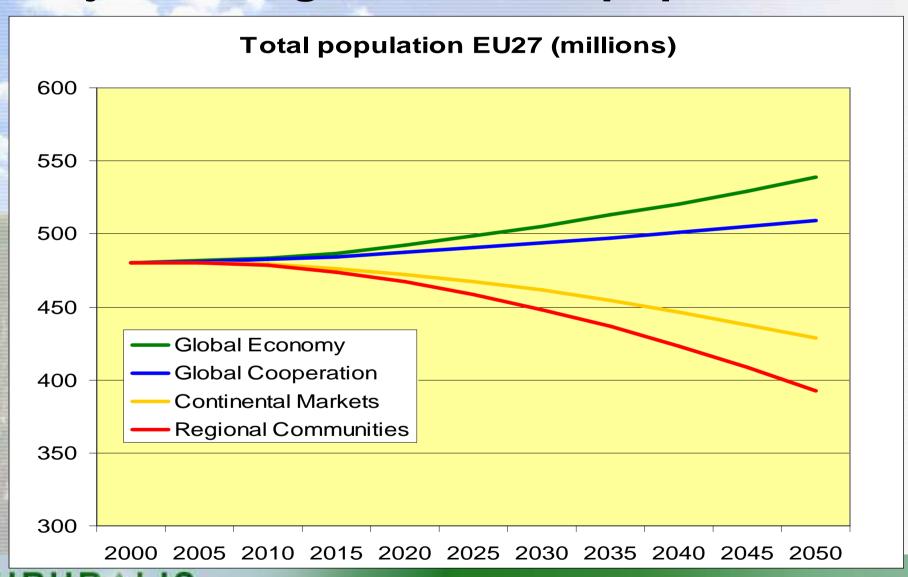
|              |                          | Population | Solidarity | Economy | Technolgy | Globalization | Government regulation |
|--------------|--------------------------|------------|------------|---------|-----------|---------------|-----------------------|
| Manager Town | Global<br>economy        |            | /          |         |           |               | /                     |
|              | Global<br>cooperation    |            |            |         |           |               |                       |
|              | Transatlantic<br>Markets | 1          |            |         |           |               | /                     |
|              | Regional<br>Communities  |            |            |         |           | <i></i>       |                       |

## Major driving force I: macro-economic growth





#### Major driving force II: EU population



### Adjust strategic policy

- CAP 1 –market support
- CAP 2 –income support
- Ambition on biofuels
- LFA support

### The need to discuss cooperation

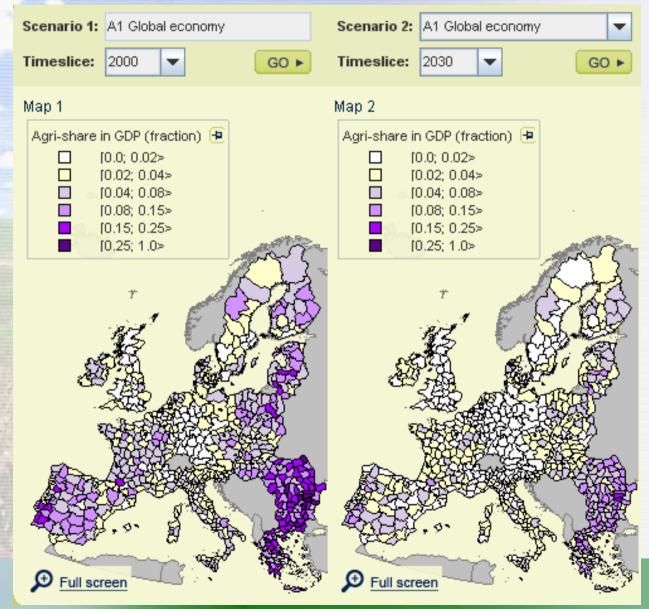
- Culture, trade & climate change we share it
- Water we are connected
- Nature the right choices on EU-level?
- Energy optimalisation of land use
- Employment & R&D the benefits
- A rural sustainability strategy

## Global driving forces are dominant for the rural areas

- Demographic developments
- Macro-economic developments
- Consumer preferences
- Agricultural technology
- Climate change

- CAP
- Structural policy
- Environmental policies (national, EU, global)
- WTO and other international commitments

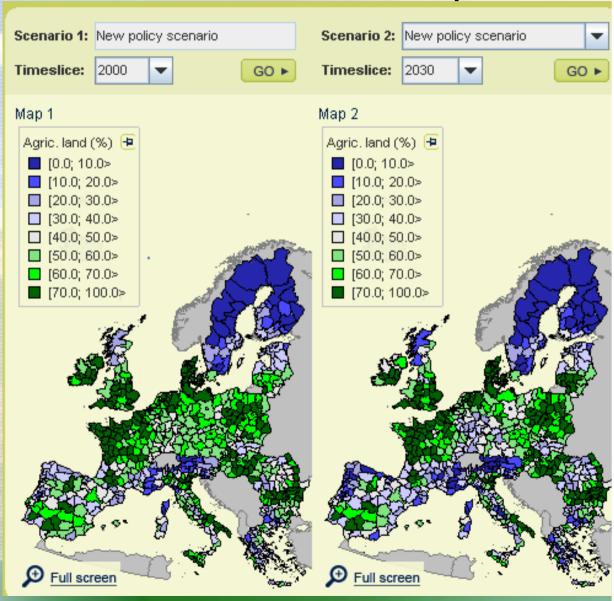
## Changing role of farming: decreasing economical significance



## Changing role of farming; importance for land use and landscape

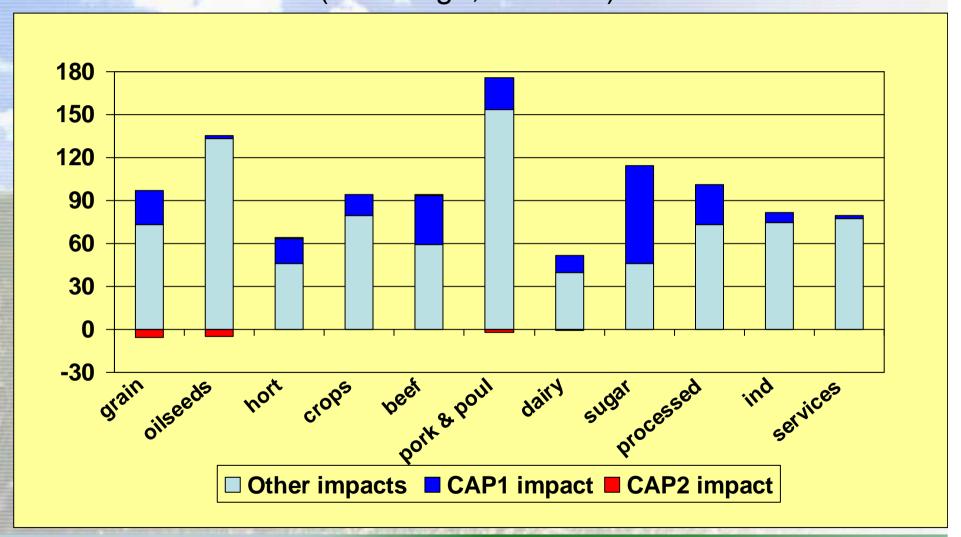
 Agri land-use remains strong (>40%)

 High impact on carbon, erosion, biodiversity, nutrients, landscape

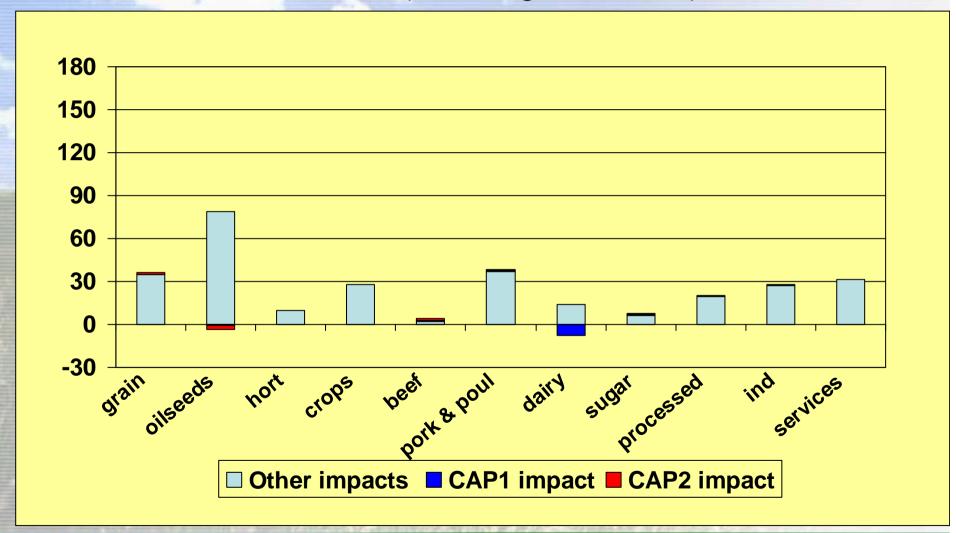




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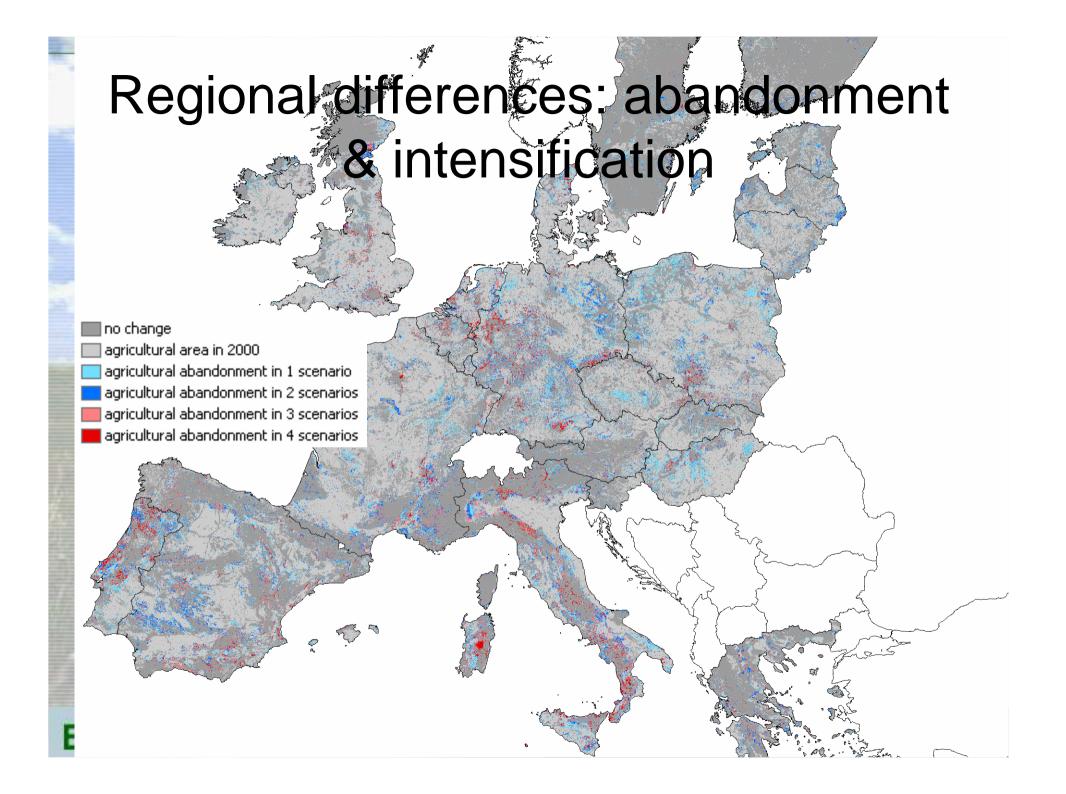
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### Agricultural abandonment

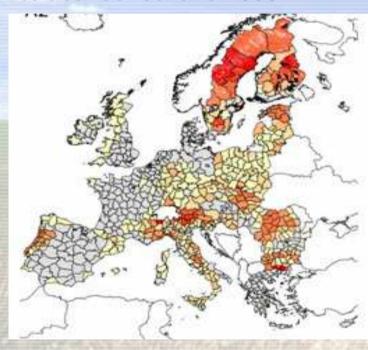
- Main land use change next 30 years
- Stable food consumption <-> technology improvement
- Large regional differences
- Policy impact is strong (CAP, biofuels)

|                                | Global<br>Economy | Continental<br>Market | Global<br>Cooperation | Regional<br>Communities |
|--------------------------------|-------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|
| Abandonned EU<br>(% agri land) | -9.0              | -1.9                  | -12.6                 | -10.7                   |
| Spain                          | -11.4             | +2.7                  | -14.9                 | 0                       |
| Portugal                       | -24.4             | -19.5                 | -34.2                 | -31.9                   |

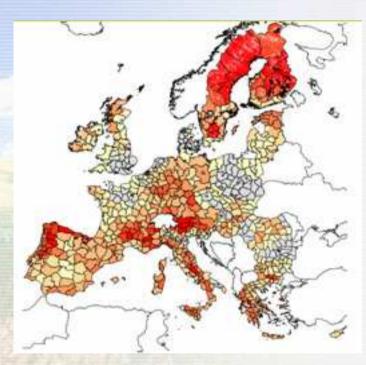


## For a lot of regions: the global context and policy matters

% abandoned land 2030



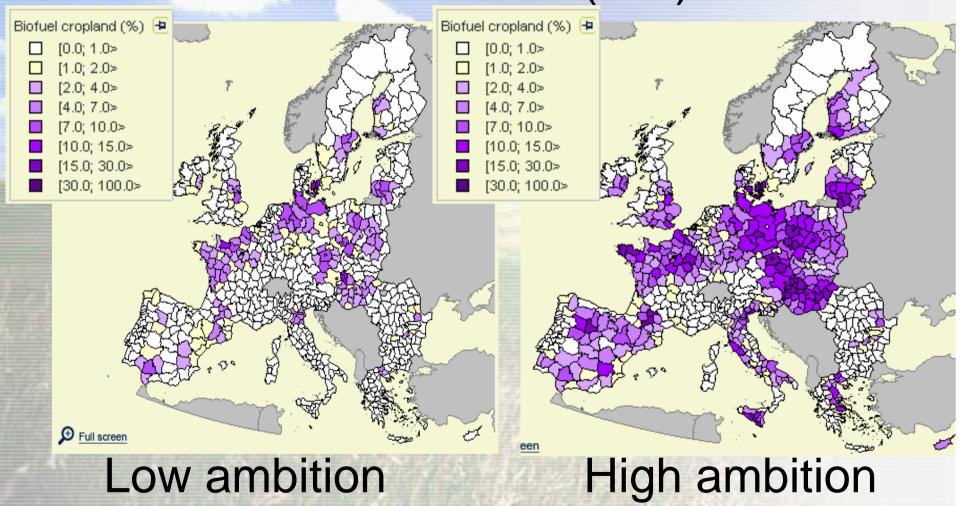
Continental Markets
Current CAP and LFA

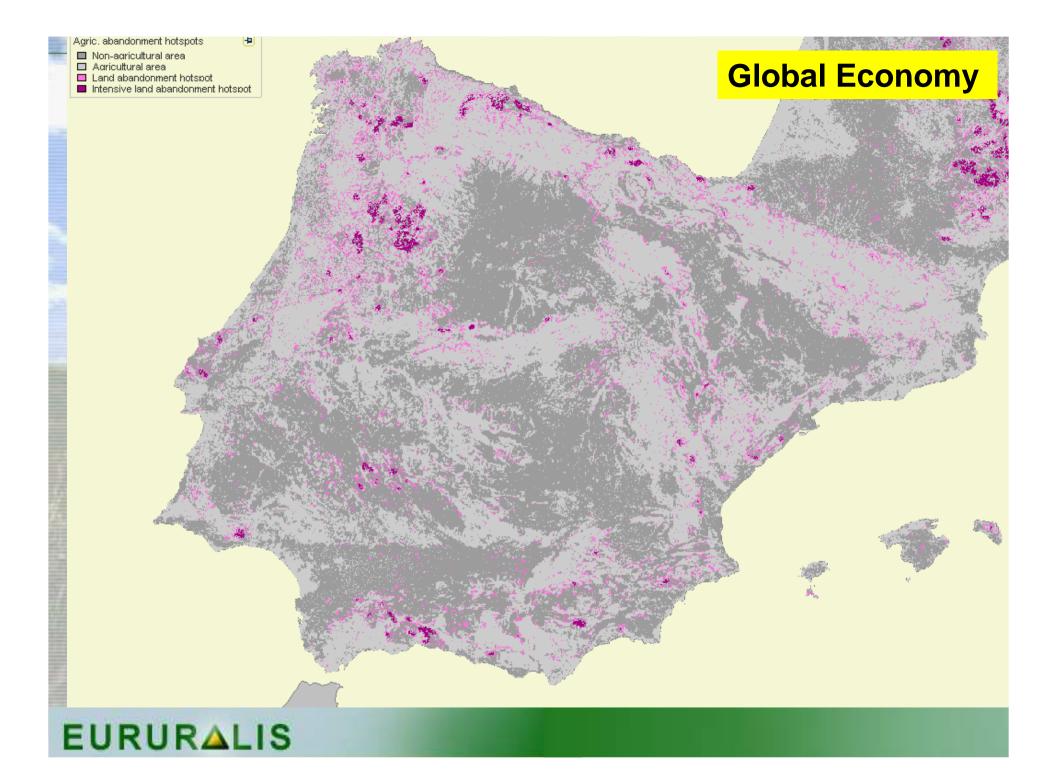


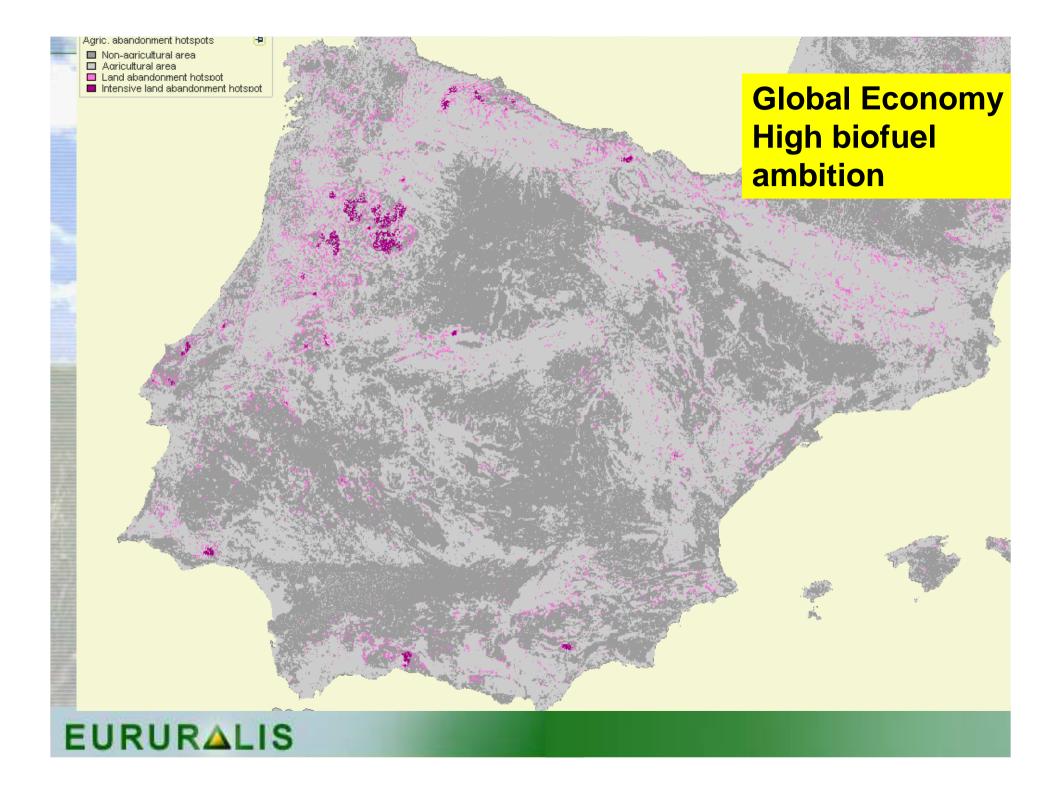
Global Economy
No CAP and LFA



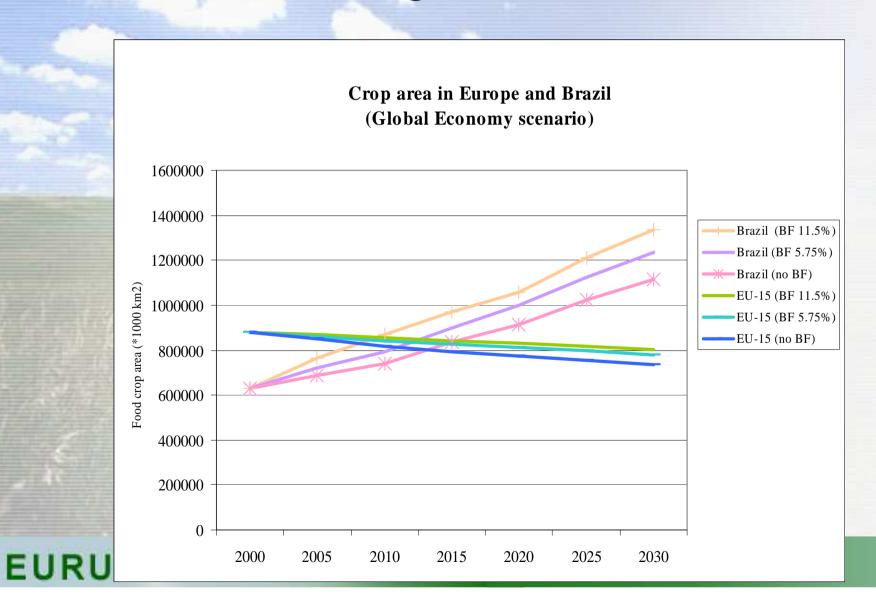
# Policy matters: are biofuels the solution? 2030 (GE)

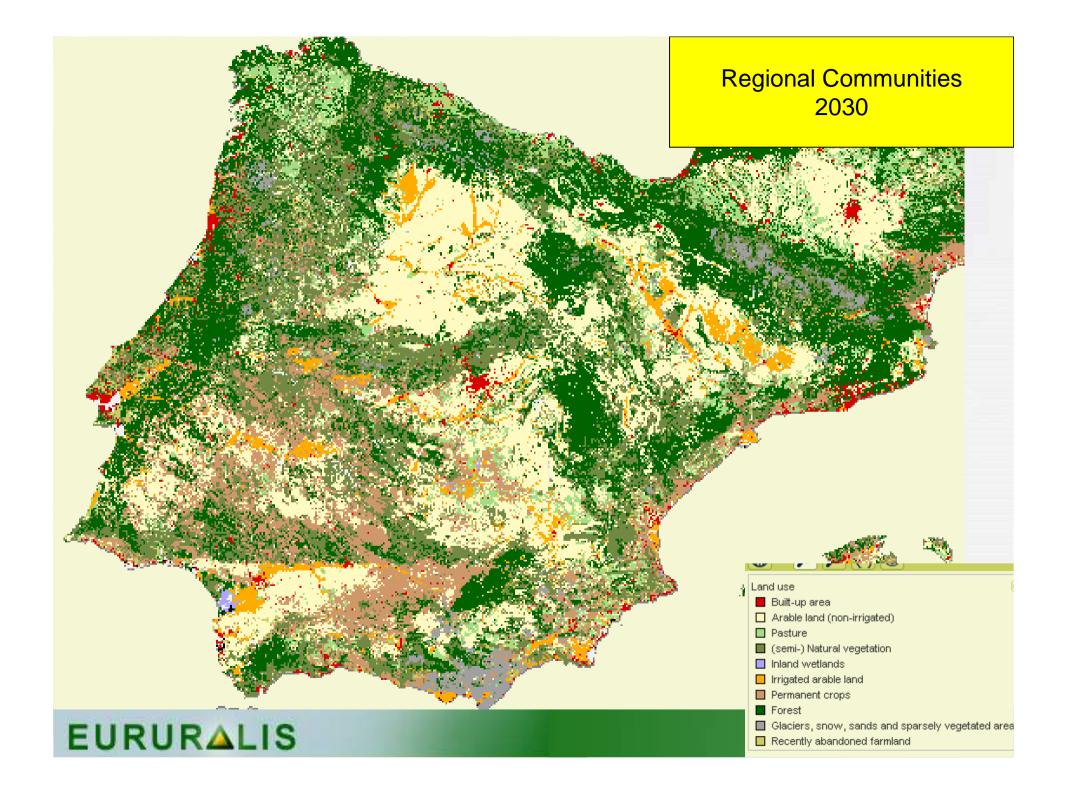


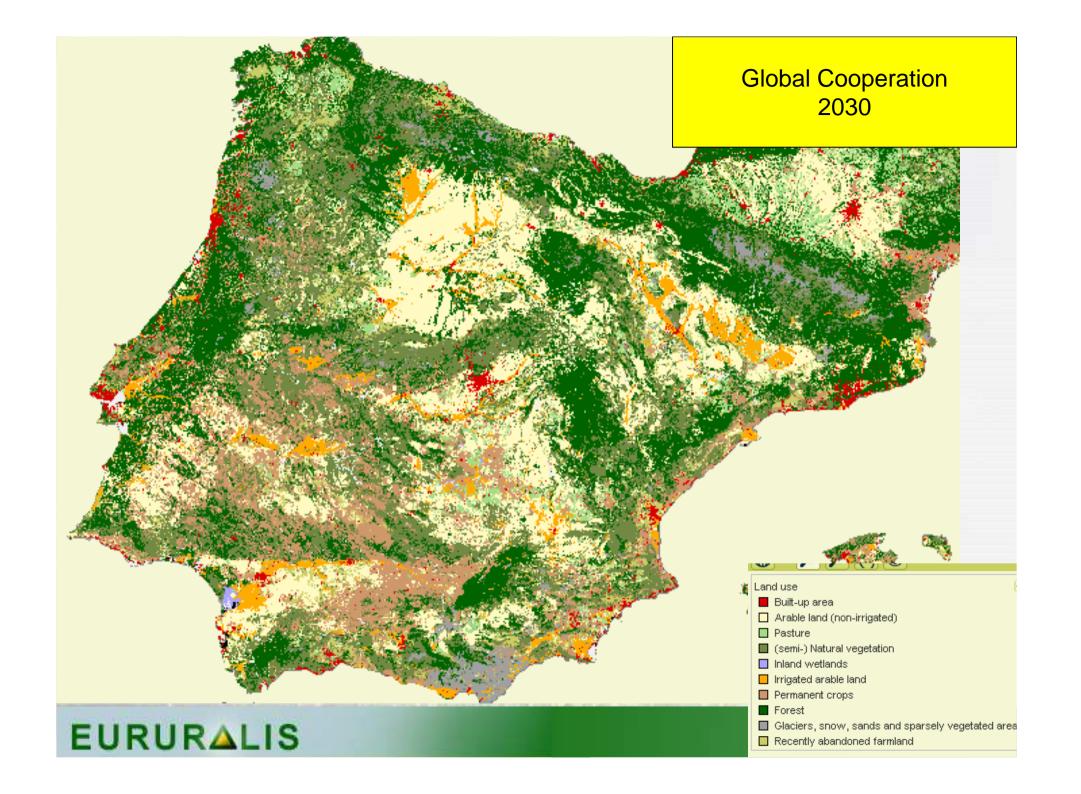




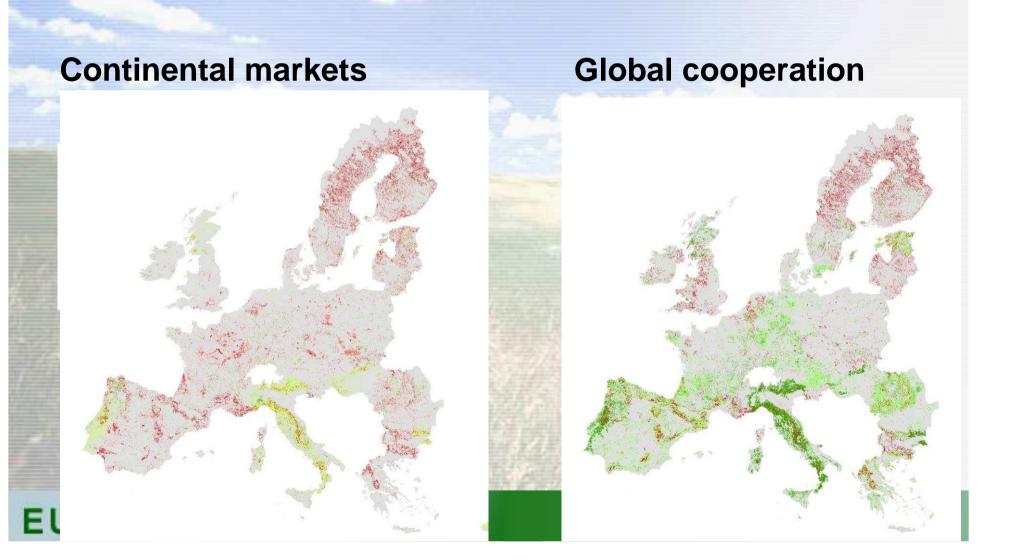
# Trade off landuse change in Latin-America





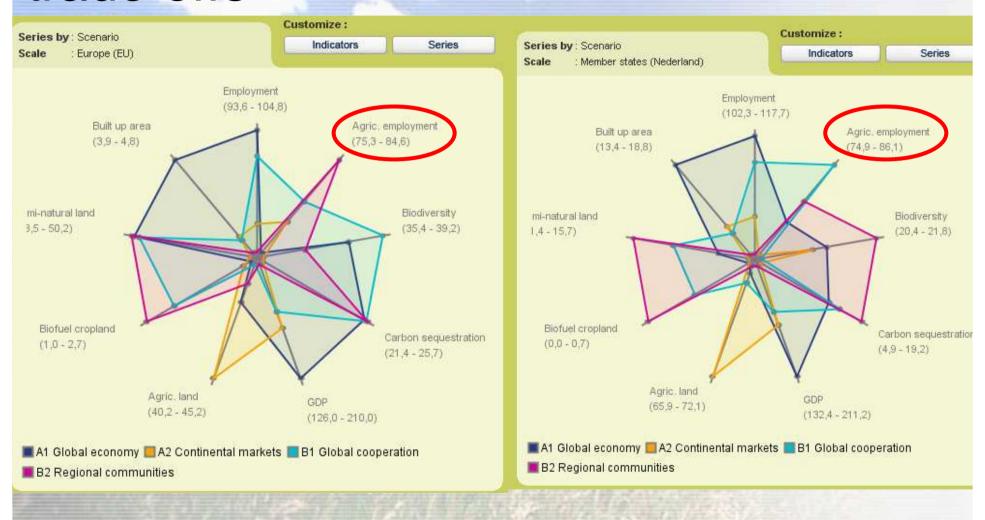


# Biodiversity improves in general, but disappearance of open landscapes



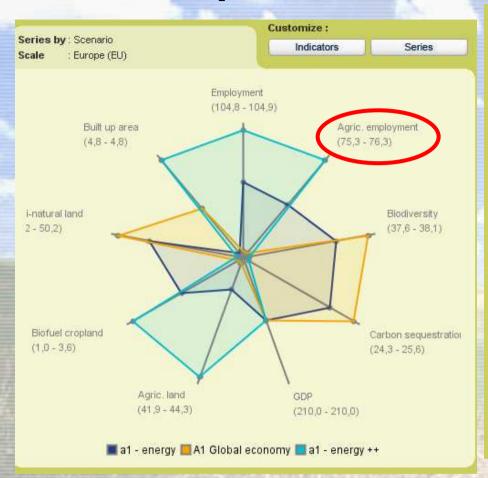
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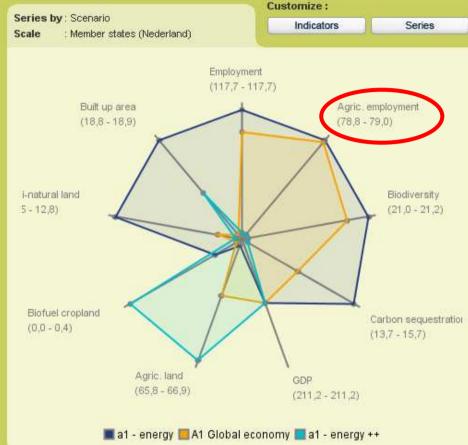
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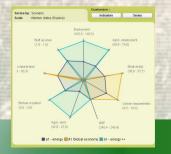


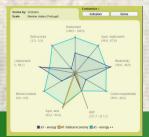


#### Impact of the biofuels directive (GE)



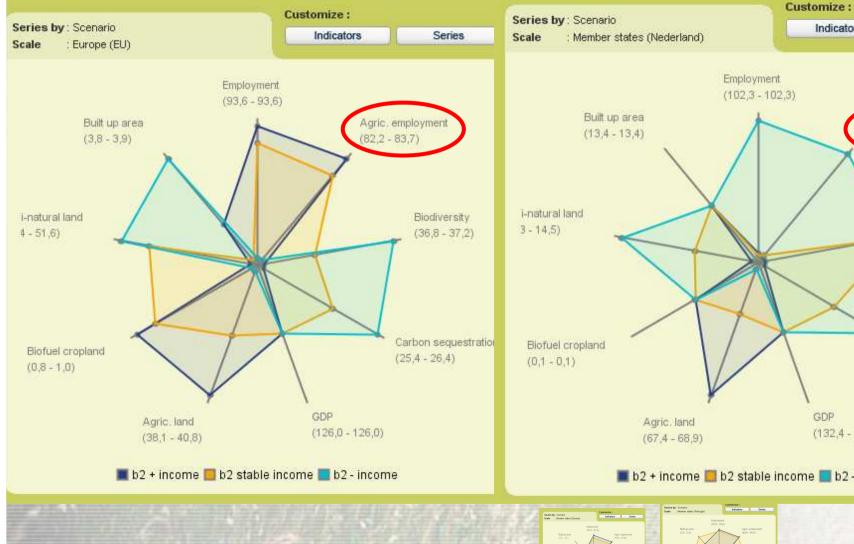


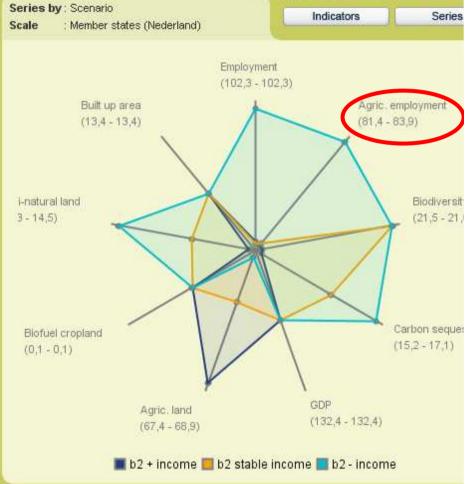


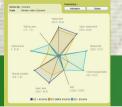


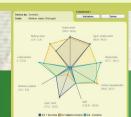


#### Impact of the CAP income support (RC)





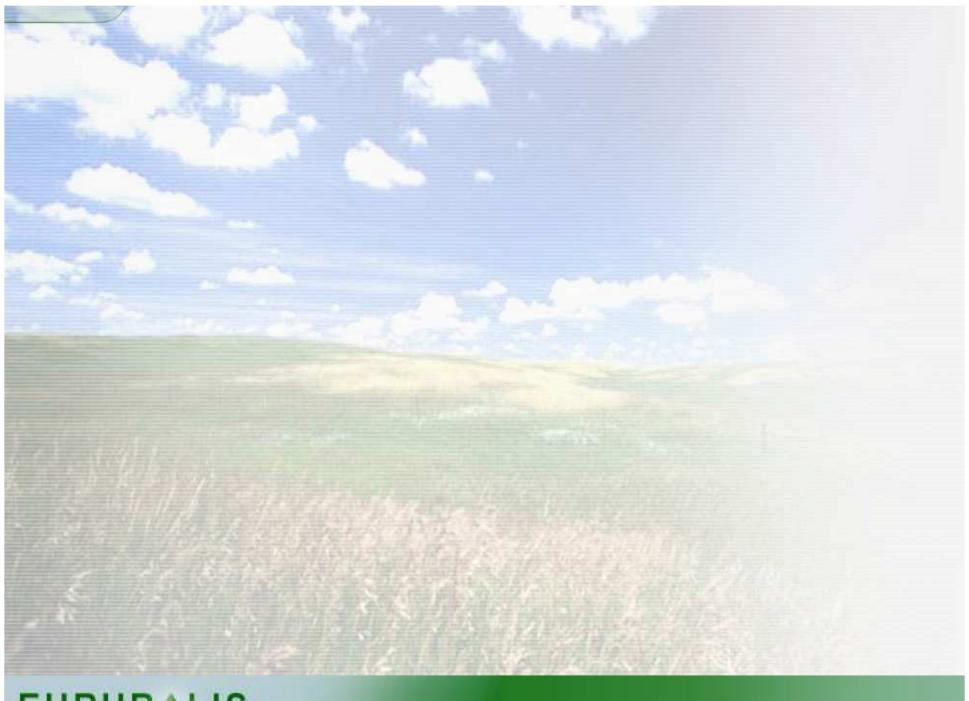






# Play yourselves! Answer these questions

- 1. How will the economy and land-use change in Spain in each of the 4 scenarios? What are the main differences?
- 2. What happens in Spain to landuse and economy when the EU stimulates biofuels?
- 3. What happens to Spain when the CAP is changed?
- 4. What are the most important driving forces
  - 1. In your view?
  - 2. Can you find it back in Eururalis?
- 5. Is EU policy most important? What can be done with local policies for instance 2<sup>nd</sup> pillar measures?



#### Results show for NL

- Global scenarios: growth of production
- No biofuels in NL; even with high ambitions
- Biodiversity decreases in all scenarios
- Continues shrink of agri area
- Main change: forest & nature; some to urban
- Shrink of agri income and agri employment
- Policy cannot overcome it.



### There is still a need for policy

- Global scale
   Climate change, trade liberalization, biodiversity
- EU scale
   CAP reform, guidelines for RD/Structural funds (typology might help), environment, Lisbon
- Regional scale
   Tailor-made solutions

Policy coherence between scales



### Results show for Spain:

- Agri-production increases in all scenarios; even more self-sufficient!
- Abandonment is the main land-use change
- The extent strongly depends on the scenario
- Biofuels policy will have huge impact on amount of biofuels
- Agricultural employment will decline under all scenario's
- The same holds for the regional agricultural income
- Strategic policy will bring some relief but cannot overcome
- Though regional differences are large;



### Results show for Portugal

- Agri-production decreases in all scenarios less self-sufficient
- Abandonment is the main land-use change
- The extent strongly depends on the scenario but is large in EU context!
- Biofuels policy will hardly have an impact on amount of biofuels
- Agricultural employment will decline under all scenario's
- The same holds for the regional agricultural income
- Strategic policy will bring some relief but can not stop these trends
- Though regional differences are large;



