# The setting-up of the National Common Agricultural Policy Network Common Agricultural Policy Strategic Plan - Malta (2023 – 2027)

### Resolution by the Member State

24th November 2023

## **Explanatory Memorandum**

Article 126 (1) of Regulation (EU) No 2021/2115 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2021, establishing rules on support for strategic plans to be drawn up by Member States under the common agricultural policy (CAP Strategic Plans) and financed by the European Agricultural Guarantee Fund (EAGF) and by the European Agricultural Fund for Rural Development (EAFRD) and repealing Regulations (EU) No 1305/2013 and (EU) No 1307/2013, provides that: 'Each Member State shall establish a national network for the common agricultural policy ('national CAP network') for the networking of organisations and administrations, advisors, researchers and other innovation actors, and other actors in the field of agriculture and rural development at national level at the latest 12 months after the approval by the Commission of the CAP Strategic Plan. The national CAP networks shall build on the existing networking experience and practices in the Member States'

Article 126 (3) and (4) of this Regulation lay down the provisions related respectively to the objectives and tasks of this Committee.

In line with these provisions, the purpose of this Resolution is the formal appointment of the Members of Malta's Common Agricultural Policy Network of Common Agricultural Policy Strategic Plan - Malta (2023 – 2027).

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Having regard to Regulation (EU) No 2021/2115 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2021, establishing rules on support for strategic plans to be drawn up by Member States under the common agricultural policy (CAP Strategic Plans) and financed by the European Agricultural Guarantee Fund (EAGF) and by the European Agricultural Fund for Rural Development (EAFRD) and repealing Regulations (EU) No 1305/2013 and (EU) No 1307/2013 and its subsequent amendments,

and in particular Article 126 (1) thereof,

IT HAS BEEN DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

Article 1

The Authorities listed in Annex I of this Resolution are hereby appointed Members of the 'Malta's CAP Network' to perform the tasks related to the implementation of CAP Strategic Plan for the period 2023-2027, in line with Article 126 of Regulation (EU) No 2021/2115. The newly formed Malta's CAP Network will replace the National Rural Network for Malta (NRNM) on the 2014-2020 programming period.

Article 2

The implementation of the CAP/SP Plan may require the appointment of additional members as deemed necessary. The list of appointed members will be made available for informational purposes on the website of the Ministry responsible for EU Funds.

Done in Malta, 24th November 2023

Mr. Jonathan Vassallo

Permanent Secretary (MEFL – EU funds)

#### Annex I

## List of Members of Malta's Common Agricultural Policy Network

# CAP Strategic Plan 2023-2027

In terms of Article 126 (1) of Regulation (EU) No 2021/2115 the following are the Members as appointed by the Member State:

- The Director General of the Funds and Programmes Division responsible for EU Funds (or designate) as Chairperson
- The Director General (or designate) of Ministry for Agriculture, Fisheries and Animal Rights (MAFA)
- The Director General (or designate) of Ministry for Gozo
- The Director General (or designate) of the Veterinary and Phytosanitary Regulations Division (VPRD)
- The Chief Coordinator (Agriculture and Rural Development) (FPD) (or designate);
- The Director General (or designate) of the Paying Agency (ARPA)
- One (1) nominated representative of the Planning Authority (PA)
- One (1) nominated representative) of the Environment and Resource Authority (ERA)
- One (1) nominated representative (or substitute) of the National Commission for the Promotion of Equality (NCPE)
- One (1) nominated representative (or substitute) of the Commission for the Rights of Persons with Disability (CRPD)
- One (1) nominated representative (or substitute) of the Local Government Division
- One (1) nominated representative (or substitute) of The Commissioner for Voluntary Organisations (MISW)
- One (1) nominated representative (or substitute) of the Farmers' Cooperative representing the general farming sector
- One (1) nominated representative (or substitute) of the Għaqda Bdiewa Attivi;
- One (1) nominated representative (or substitute) of the Malta Youth in Agriculture MAYA Foundation
- One (1) representative (or substitute) from each Local Action Group
- One (1) representative (or substitute) from the University of Malta
- One (1) representative (or substitute) from the evaluators of the CAP Strategic Plan (in an observer's role).