The crucial role of labour force in agriculture
Jobs and growth in rural areas
GEOPA-COPA Seminar – Vienna, 17-19 May 2018
Rural areas in the economy

GDP per capita in rural areas (EU GDP for whole economy = 100) / year 2014

Source: Eurostat and DG Agriculture and Rural Development
Rural areas and the economic crisis

Employment rate in rural areas

Source: Eurostat and DG Agriculture and Rural Development
44 MILLION JOBS IN THE AGRI-FOOD SECTOR

Number of holdings
10.84 million

Jobs in agriculture
8.73 million annual working units

Source: Eurostat and DG Agriculture and Rural Development
Labour outflow in agriculture

Persons employed in agri-food sector

Source: Eurostat and DG Agriculture and Rural Development
Agricultural Outlook 2017-2030: Labour outflow assumed to slow down

Decline in agricultural labour (full time equivalent)

Source: Eurostat and DG Agriculture and Rural Development
Labour outflow as main source of productivity gains

Source: DG Agriculture and Rural Development - FADN
Labour costs in perspective

- % of wages in Intermediate Consumption
- % wages in external factors
- % wages in total inputs
- ratio costs of contract work (including rent of machinery)/Wages

Source: DG Agriculture and Rural Development - FADN
Thank you

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CAP reform
https://ec.europa.eu/agriculture/future-cap_en