What does resilience mean in the CAP? A reflexive policy design perspective

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The resilience of Europe’s farming systems has become a major concern in current discussions about the future Common Agricultural Policy (CAP) of the European Union (EU). At the same time the policy design of the CAP has come under increased scrutiny, e.g. by two recent reports from the European Court of Auditors. This presentation combines the ‘new policy design’ perspective and reflexive policy analysis to develop a critical assessment of the current CAP and of proposals for its development post-2020. It discusses various distinct resilience capabilities, which form the basis for a distinct resilience assessment tool. Based on these conceptual and methodological considerations, the empirical part will present recent findings on the effects of the CAP and its national implementations on the resilience of European farming systems. The presentation is based on findings from two ongoing research projects, ZA-NExUS and SURE-Farm.

All interested ZALF members are cordially invited.
We are looking forward to your contributions in the subsequent discussion.