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# POLICY BRIEF 1

## Policy and legislation on circular bio-based fertilisers

#### Key challenges

- Transition from current regulations to the new Fertilising Products Regulation. •
  - Uncertainties hinder the development of new bio-based fertiliser products.
- Need for a level playing field in the development of bio-based fertilisers.

CURRENT CONTEXT

#### Farm to Fork strategy

Europe promotes bio-based fertilisers as crucial for enhancing soil quality, resilience, and advancing circular food systems

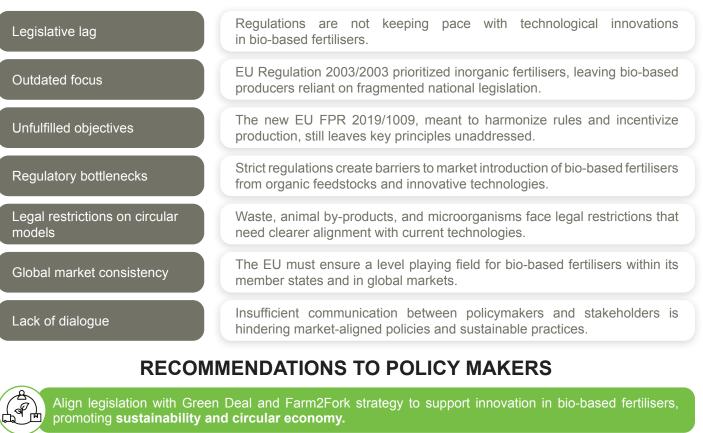
## EU funding

Europe supports projects advancing bio-based fertilisers through diverse technologies, including those derived from animal and plant waste sources.

### **New FPR regulation**

EU Regulation 2019/1009 establishes harmonized standards for fertiliser feedstocks and Component Material Categories for fertilisers and plant bio-stimulants.

# PROBLEMS ENCOUNTERED



Establish clear guidelines on accepted feedstocks and valorisation pathways for bio-based fertiliser production to reduce uncertainty.

Foster open communication between stakeholders and policymakers to share insights and develop policies that align with market needs.

Provide support for project consortia to navigate complex regulations, minimizing wasted time and resources due to legal uncertainties.

Encourage collaboration between project consortia, backed by the EU Commission, to overcome legislative barriers and streamline bio-based fertiliser development.