CAP impact on cattle sector, markets and prices in Central and Eastern European countries

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CONCEPT

• Central & Eastern European countries
• Cattle sector
• perception of CAP survey
• conclusions
Central & Eastern European countries

• or relatively new in EU or not in EU
• transition –majority coming from different political system
• industry well organized vs. farmer associations weak
• almost in every country animal production in crisis
• negative trends in cattle sector
CATTLE SECTOR

• different technology used – eg. Slovakia more large farms & Croatia more small farms

• cattle sector in crisis
  – dramatic drop in farm number
  – dramatic drop in cattle number
  – moderate drop of production
Cattle exports/heads

FAOStat, 2013
Cattle imports/heads

FAOStat, 2013
Agricultural products Total Import quantity index

FAOStat, 2013
Milk production

FAOStat, 2013
Meat production

FAOStat, 2013
Perception of CAP survey

• 8 CEEC countries (EU & non EU)
• 5 questions
  - National agency informing about CAP?
  - Min. of Agricul. informing about CAP?
  - Farmers informed about CAP?
  - Good general opinion about CAP?
  - Good future inside CAP?
Attitude towards CAP in 8 CEEC countries

- State agency
- Mini. informations
- Farmers know
- General opinion
- Good future
Conclusions

• transition
• cattle sector with negative trends
• farmers opinion on CAP:
  - information system in place
  - farmers informed
  - negative attitude
• reasons?
  - feeling of special position of old member states in some cases
  - bad experience with cooperatives in past
  - country size
  - unorganized sector
  - ...


Thank you for your attention