

As input to the debate on how antitrust policy and environmental and climate policies work together – and how they could do that even better, Dutch farmers' and growers' federation LTO NEDERLAND would like to contribute by sending two papers that were prepared in the past (enclosed):

1) Dutch 'Deltaplan' for biodiversity

2) *Finding room for sustainability initiatives in the future CAP*

We further like to ask your attention for the on-going discussion in the Netherlands regarding competition law and how this may serve public interests better:

- Legislative proposal by the Dutch Ministry of Economic Affairs (EZK) for 'sustainability initiatives' (Wet ruimte voor duurzaamheid). This bill aims to help parties implement sustainability initiatives by allowing them to turn their initiatives into regulations. By translating a sustainability initiative into regulation, barriers to the creation or success of such initiatives are removed. This will give businesses and residents more space if they want to work together on solutions that reduce environmental impact or combat climate change.

See for reference:

<https://www.tweedekamer.nl/kamerstukken/wetsvoorstellen/detail?cfg=wetsvoorsteldetails&qry=wetsvoorstel%3A35247>

- The recent draft guide of the Dutch competition authority (ACM) to allow companies to work together horizontally under certain conditions.

See for reference:

<https://www.acm.nl/nl/publicaties/concept-leidraad-duurzaamheidsafspraken>