



5. Protection des indications géographiques pour les produits non agricoles au niveau de l'UE - Prochaines étapes

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Background

6 October 2015, EP's resolution calling the Commission to "propose without delay a legislative proposal with a view to with the aim of establishing a single European system of protection of geographical indications for non-agricultural products"

In its 2015.10.28 Communication 'Upgrading the single market', the Commission committed to "take forward work on how to make the most of Europe's traditional know-how in the light of its 2014 Green Paper".

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*As a follow-up to the Green paper, a **workshop on the "contribution of non-agricultural geographically-rooted products to regional inclusive economic development"** was organised (EWRC 2016). Panellists and participants confirmed that **non-agricultural geographically-rooted products using 'geographical indications' have a strong potential to boost regional inclusive economic development** in particular for small structures in weak and remote areas, not least via strong synergies with other economic activities like tourism.*

*The Commission is currently finalising an **Inception Impact Assessment** as provided for in the Better Regulation guidelines.*

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The **Inception impact assessment** should be published.

The Commission will decide on the appropriate follow-up to be given to this file, in light of the results of the **Impact Assessment**.

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