

85<sup>th</sup> Advisory Forum meeting (25-26 October 2022)

Thematic Discussion | Advancing environmental risk assessment (ERA) methodologies: moving towards a partnership for ERA

# EU <u>Partnership for Environmental</u> <u>Risk Assessment (PERA)</u> *EFSA's ambitions*

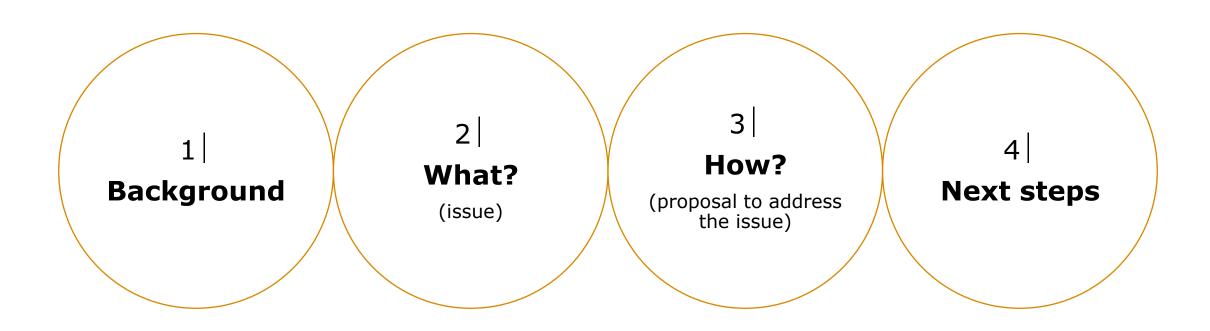
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## 1 ERA in EFSA's remit







Animal diseases (zoonotic/non-zoonotic) Biological hazards Botanicals Chemical mixtures Food contact materials Contaminants Diets Emerging risks Endocrine active substances Enzymes



**Genetically modified organisms** 

**Nanomaterials** Novel foods/feeds

Plant protection products (active

substances)

Processing aids

**Quarantine plant pests** 





## **Protection goals**

Human health Animal health Animal welfare Plant health

#### **Environment**

(biodiversity, ecosystems, ecosystem services, ...)

## 1 ERA activities



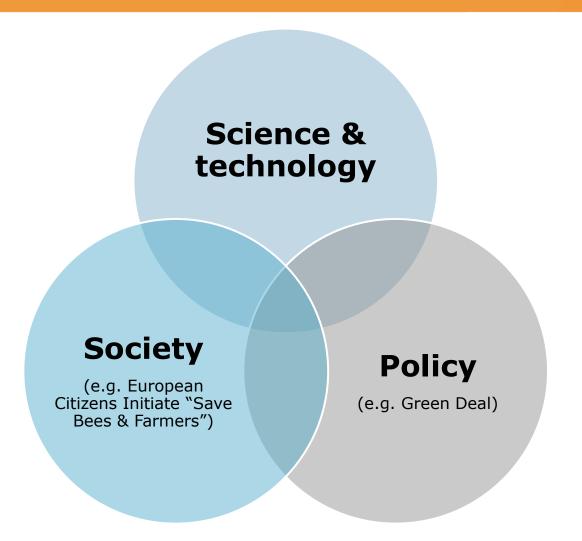


# Assessment of *pre-market*registration applications & market renewal applications

- Assess impact of substance/compound & product on the environment (incl. biodiversity, ecosystems & ecosystem services)
- Develop & revise risk assessment guidance (incl. cross-cutting ones)
- Develop risk assessment tools & gather data

# 2 Fit for purpose ERA

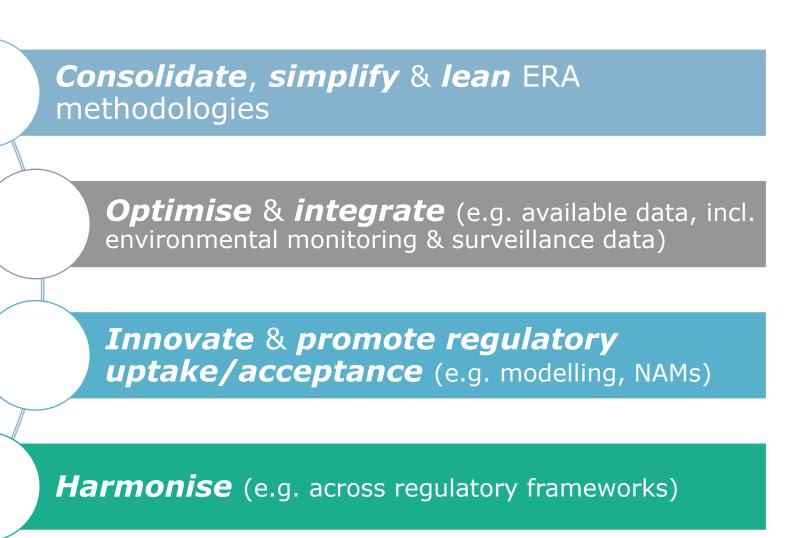




EFSA's mission – Ensure that ERA methodologies remain fit for purpose in a *fast-changing world* 

## 2 Goals

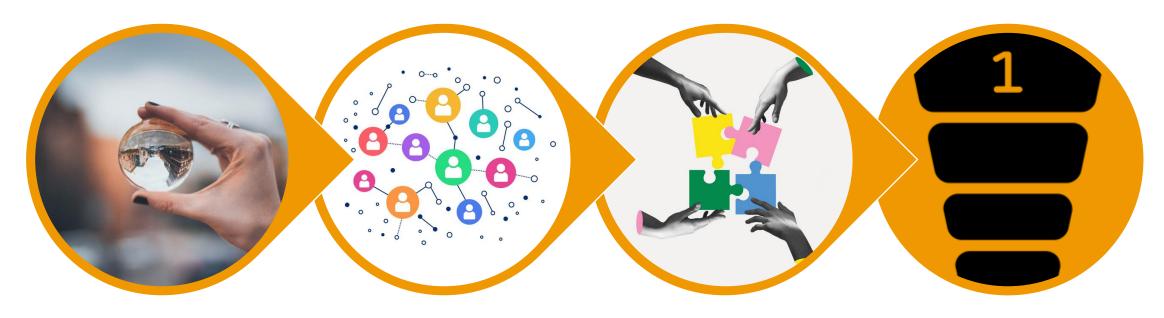




# 3 ERA methodology development needs







# Theme/concept paper

Take a systems lens to look at issue holistically, in line with One Health approach

EFSA et al. (2022) https://doi.org/10.2903/sp .efsa.2022.e200503

### **PERA Roadmap**

Identify & map data, knowledge, expertise, activities, actors & gaps

Sousa et al. (2022) https://doi.org/10.2903/sp .efsa.2022.EN-7546

### **PERA Partnership**

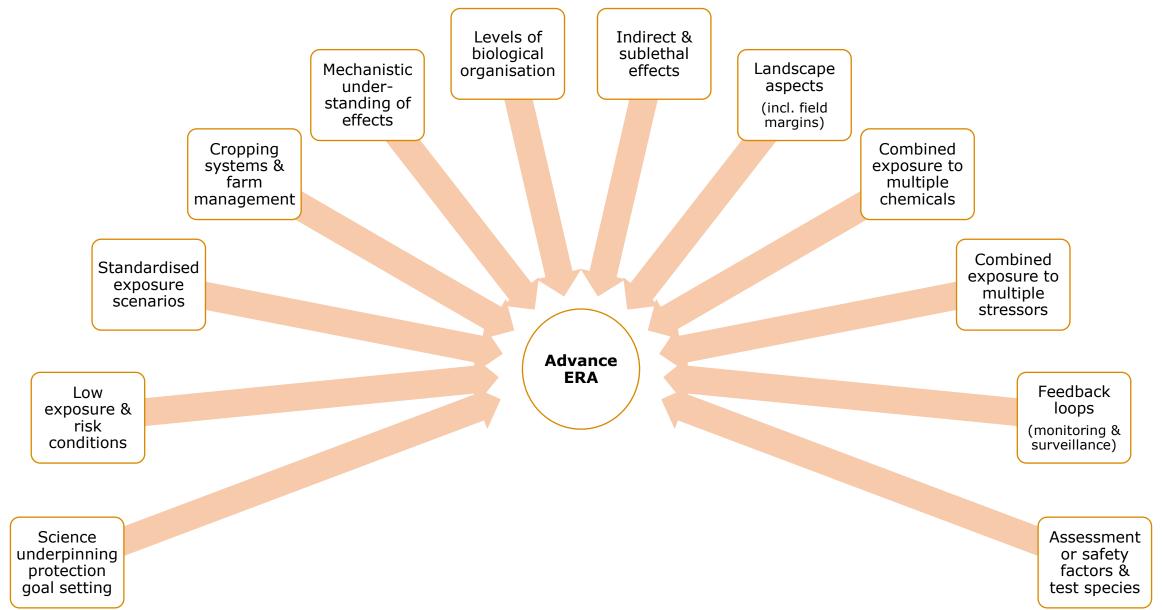
Connect the dots –
make sense & integrate
(connect & integrate
data, knowledge &
expertise)

# ERA methodology development needs

Define & prioritise ERA methodology development needs

# 3 Possible methodology development areas





# 3 Pilot case study





# Apply approach to ERA of *plant* protection products first

Thereafter, apply to *other* substances/compounds & products & environmental stressors

# 4 Next steps





- Define the best possible channel/forum to go together
- Define & prioritise
   methodology development
   needs for ERA, together
- Join us on this journey (provide us with your expression of interest)

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