

THE STUDY

The study shall cover the following elements:

- Collect and compile information on national systems concerning the collection of royalties for FSS
 - National legislation (in all or certain chosen MS to be agreed upon)
 - Species concerned
 - Definition of small farmers
 - Level of remuneration
 - Obligation for farmers to provide information to breeders
 - Obligation for national authorities to provide information to breeders
 - Existence of agreements between collection societies/breeders and farmers
 - Conditions in such agreements such as
 - Level of remuneration?
 - Obligation for farmers to provide information?
 - Do they treat Community and national PVR's equally
 - Based on existing legislation and possible agreements, how are national systems organized to collect royalties for national and Community rights
 - How is information collected
 - How are the level of the royalties determined
 - Are royalties paid to individual breeders or collecting societies
 - Etc...
 - Statistics/estimations
 - on the total use of FSS broken down (if possible) into MS/species/five past years
 - on the amounts actually collected broken down (if possible) into MS/species/ five past years
- Compare national systems and the CPVR system