

session 3

Is the income linked to agriculture in the European Union still well distributed?

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Introduction





European
Commission

The Common Agricultural Policy

A partnership between Europe and Farmers

- to increase the productivity of agriculture;
- to ensure a fair standard of living for the agricultural population
- to stabilize the markets;
- to guarantee the security of supply;
- to ensure reasonable prices for consumers.

respect for the environment, health security and rural development have been added.

FINANCIAL DIFFICULTIES WITHIN THE EU

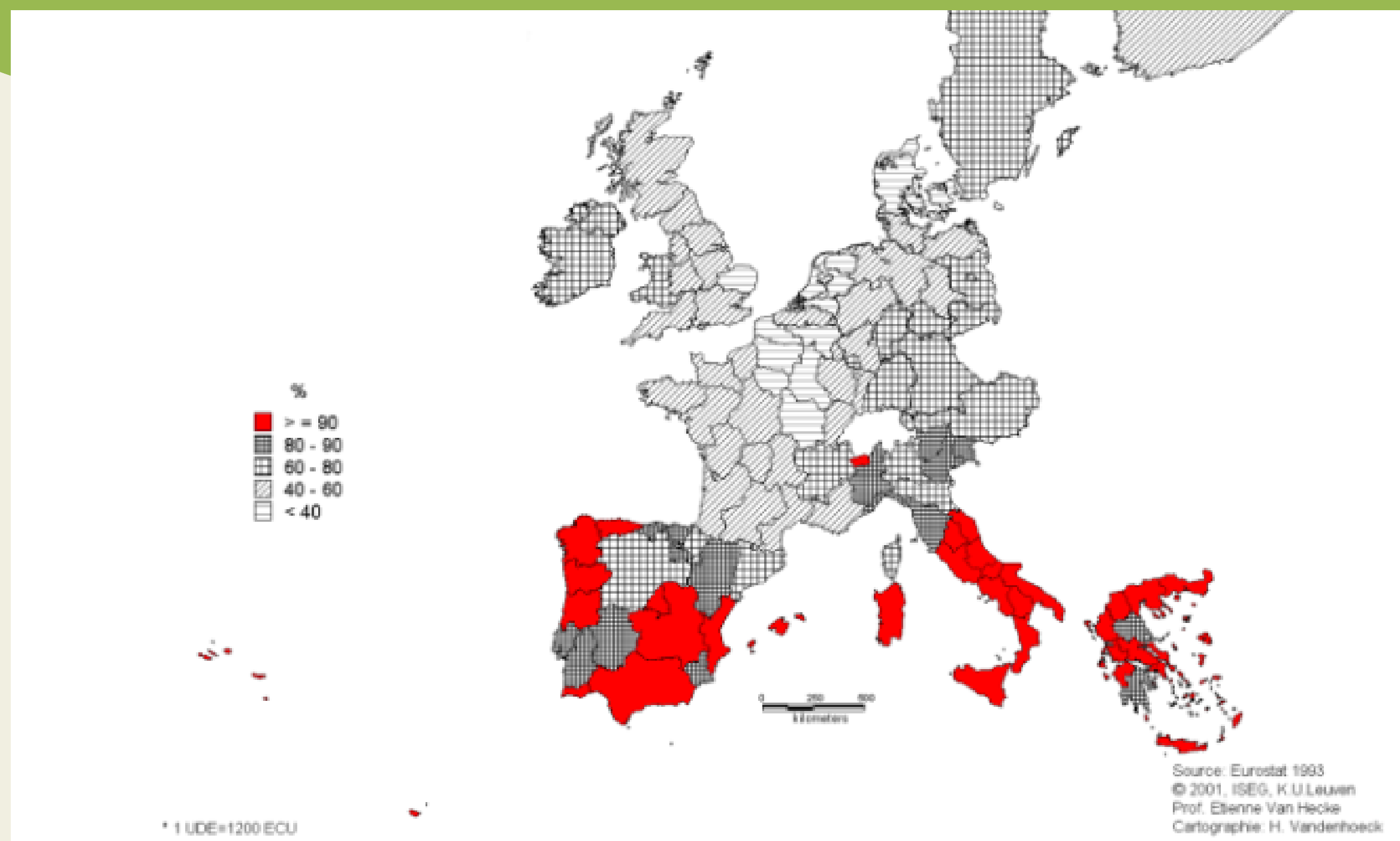
CONCERNING SMALL FARMS

- OPERATING IN PART TIME**
- TOO SMALL HOLDINGS**
- AND CONSEQUENCES**

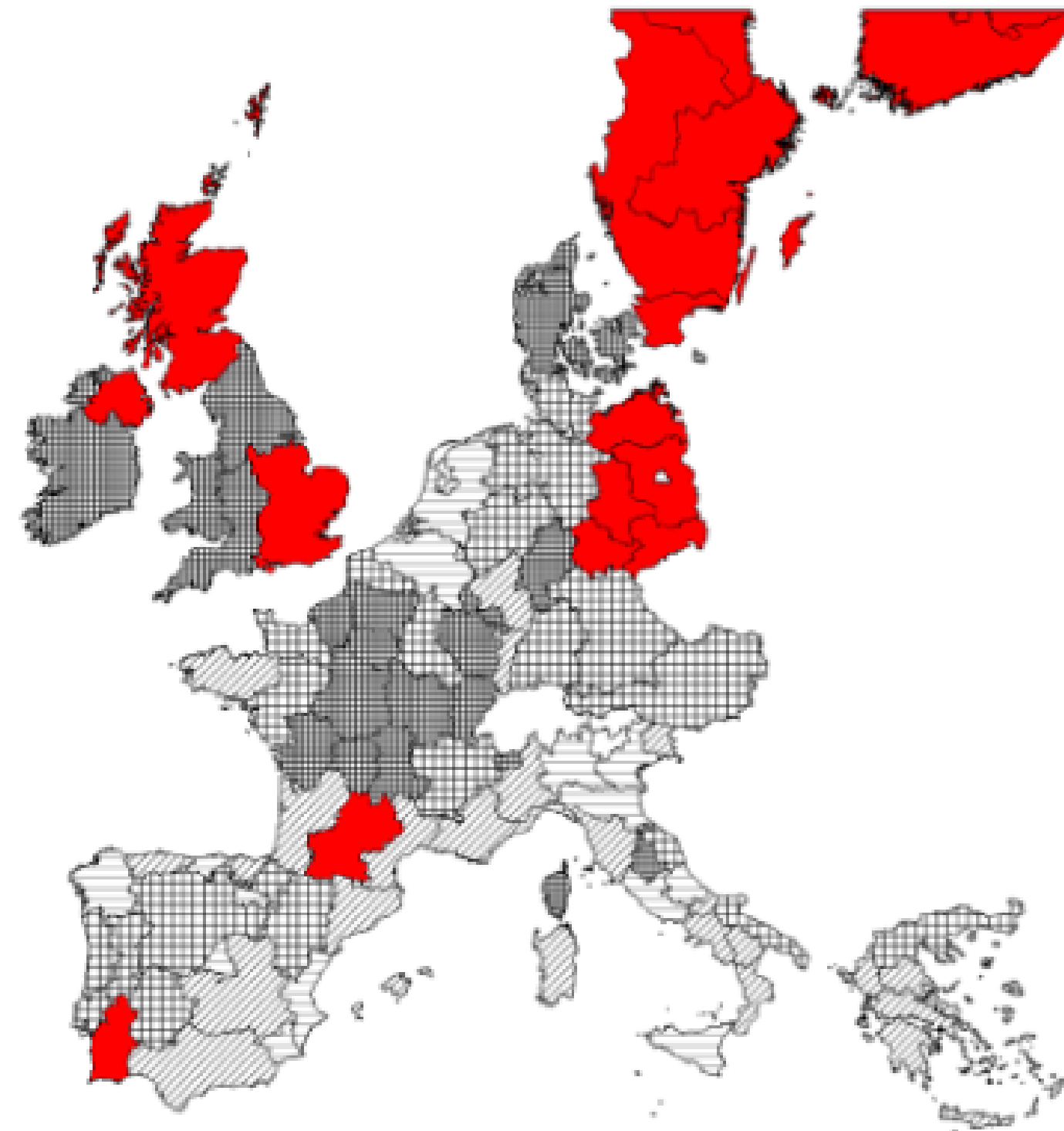
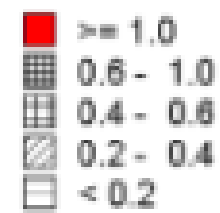
CONCERNING MEDIUM AND LARGE FARMS

- INVESTMENT**
- LOW SELF-FINANCING**

Issues from the North and the South



agricultural holding < 24 hectare (in percentage)



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Subsidies in relation to agricultural family income in the regions of the European Union

For you agriculture should be a national problem or else the management of agriculture should be managed only at European level ?

Do you think that agriculture must become a priority for the European Union, given the existing problems and the environmental crisis?

