



DESCRIPTION OF THE INSTRUMENT

Insurance involves paying a premium to ensure protection in case of a loss. Insurance is a widely used tool for **mitigating financial losses** that may result from unexpected events. In this system, the policyholder or insured individual pays a premium to the insurer in exchange for potential monetary compensation in case of a loss. By doing so, the insurer takes on and **spreads the risks** from multiple policyholders, making them easier to evaluate and handle. While **crop insurance** may not be a direct economic tool for water management, it could significantly address the motivations behind the **over-pumping** of aquifers during drought.

CONTRIBUTION TO GOVERNANCE

- Management of water-related risks

BARRIERS OR CHALLENGES FOR IMPLEMENTATION

- Willingness and ability to pay
- If subsidized: Budgetary constraints
- Infringement of polluter-pays principle

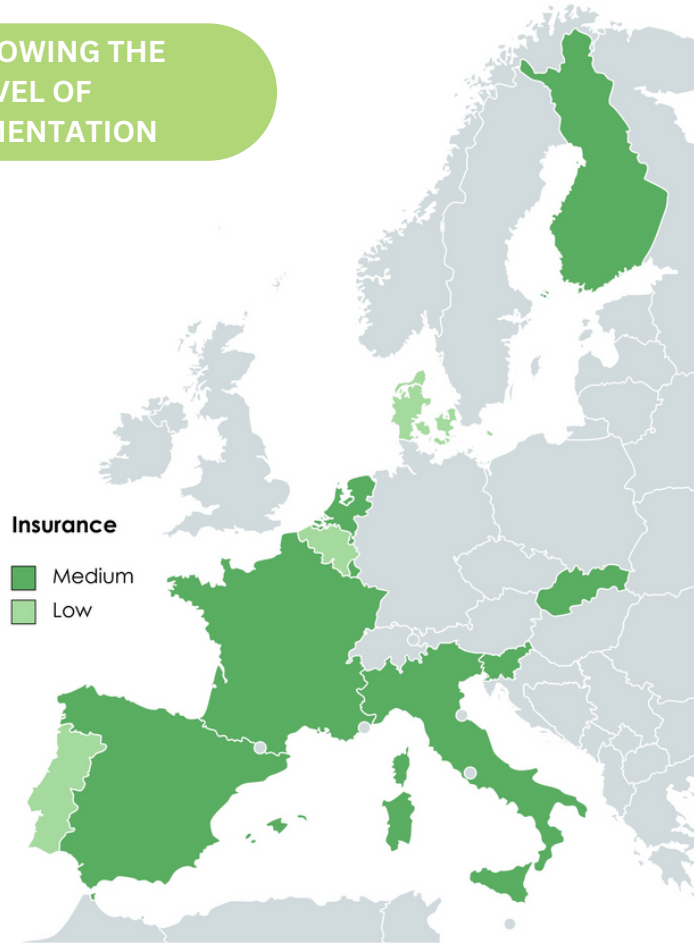
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MAP SHOWING THE LEVEL OF IMPLEMENTATION

Insurance

- Medium
- Low



PATHWAYS FOR IMPLEMENTATION

- Assessment of willingness to pay and risk
- Target subsidies



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