

# Invertebrate Biological Control Agents (IBCAs)

## *The Commission study*

- The Commission prepares a report on the Union's situation and options regarding the
  - introduction,
  - production,
  - evaluation,
  - marketing and
  - use of IBCAs
- Deadline: 31 December 2022
- Supported by an external contractor

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## *Aims of the study*

- Comprehensive stocktaking of the current extent of use and regulatory approaches in the Union
- Identification of problems and underlying drivers
- Description of instruments that may address the problems identified
- Assess potential positive and negative effects which may be expected from the implementation of the instruments identified

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## *Stakeholder consultation*

- Thorough stakeholder consultation (questionnaires, interviews, workshop) was initiated
- Addressing:
  - Competent Authorities in all Member States
  - Third Countries (2 examples)
  - Potential users
  - Producers
  - Civil society
  - Intergovernmental organisations
  - Scientific organisations