

Joint Opinion by
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- 1) We recognize that iLUC is a serious concern especially if no governance options are developed to mitigate iLUC and develop the biofuel sector.
- 2) Determining iLUC today and in the future is challenging and contains a lot of uncertainties, but also stating that analytical works, including models, are critical to tackle the issue and have progressed, and will continue to progress.
- 3) Today to make clear that LUC is a serious concern, a “Potential Land Use Emissions Value” should be included in the annually reporting of the commission (article 18, 3 RED). Because of the real dynamics of deforestation and other land use changes and to evaluate governances for iLUC mitigation (i.e. rainforest protection) this value should be revised annually and as actual as possible.
- 4) The Commission shall, by 31 December 2018, submit a report to the European Parliament and to the Council reviewing the impact of indirect land use change on greenhouse gas emissions and addressing ways to minimize that impact. The report should capture the evolution of science, the iLUC-methodology, data, governance options, but also the results of the private sector to tackle the issue, and should recommend a mature methodology to include iLUC.

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