

# MPS



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#### 1994 Start MPS

#### MPS:

- Environmental
- Programme





# What was the problem?

♣ Image of the flower business!!!

#### How can you solve this?

To show your client what your are doing.

In that way we set up in coöperation

with the auctions and the growers-organisation

a registration programme



# Production with respect for:

- Flora

- Nature
- ♣ No pollution of soil, water and air
- Reduction in excisting pollution
- Further development of integrated pest management



# Figures MPS

- □ 32 Countries
- International Standard
- Market Leader







### Strengths MPS

- Unique concept
- Synergy with the auctions
- World standard- Condition of purchase
- □ Accreditation
- Knowledge and experience > Information Technology
- High degree of acceptance
- □ International infrastructure









#### Mission statement (1)

MPS stimulates environmentally friendly cultivation and the goal is to reduce the use of chemicals, fertilizers and energy to the burden on the environment resulting from this production





#### Mission statement (2)

- Registered data from participants
- Standards for the farm
- Qualification
- Inspection and sanctions
- Business to business communication





# Inspections

- Contract with MPS
- Admission inspections
- Analysing data
- Farm inspections
- Leaf, product or soil samples



#### **Environmental themes**

- Crop protection agents





#### MPS is...

- a programme for the total chain
- a management tool
- a marketing tool





#### **MPS-Mind**

#### Pesticide indicator



# Why MPS-Mind

In MPS qualification points are assigned based on kilograms active ingredient used, however.....

Kilogram X <> Kilogram Y



#### **Aims of MPS-Mind**

- ♣ Insight in environmental risks
- □ Rewarding the crop protection
   strategy with lowest environmental impact.
  - Description Low usage kg a.i./ha
  - Description Low environmental risk pesticides



#### What environmental risks are included

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- decomposition and bio-accumulation
- Mobility in air and water
- ♣ Regional and nursery specific conditions



# Region and nursery specific adaptation

Environmental Zone 1 to 6

MPS assigns a environmental zone to each nursery based on company traits and regional climatic circumstances

Rainfall, surface water, covered cropping etc.



# MIND(1)

- Specific demands
- Adaptable for world wide application
- System accepted by parties involved
- Categorisation: public date
- Minimal increase of registration requirements
- Stability in categorisation (green, orange, red)
- Motivate growers to use pesticides with low environmental impact



### **MIND (2)**

- □ Criteria:
- Toxicity
- Persistence
- Potential mobility
- Local and company specific conditions





#### **MIND** (3)

- Impact local and specific conditions:
- Distance to surface water
- Average rainfall
- (Non-) covered
- Level ground water
- (Artificial) substrate
- Temperature
- Dry and rainy season





#### **MIND** (4)

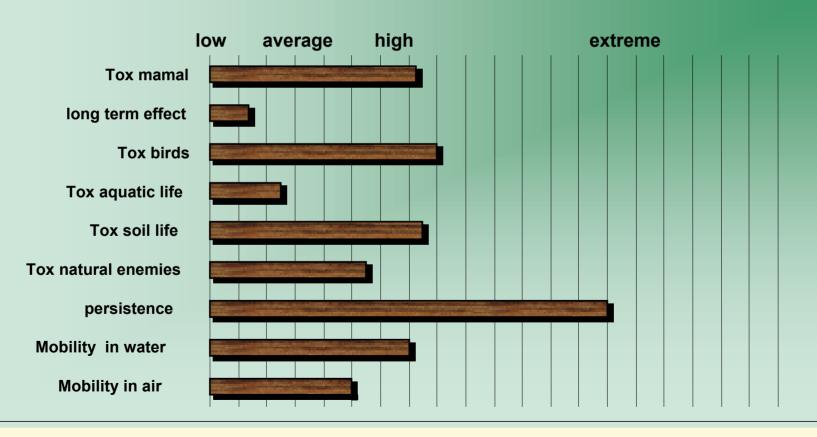
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- Environmental zone
- Environmental score Pesticides
- Categorisation (green, orange, red)

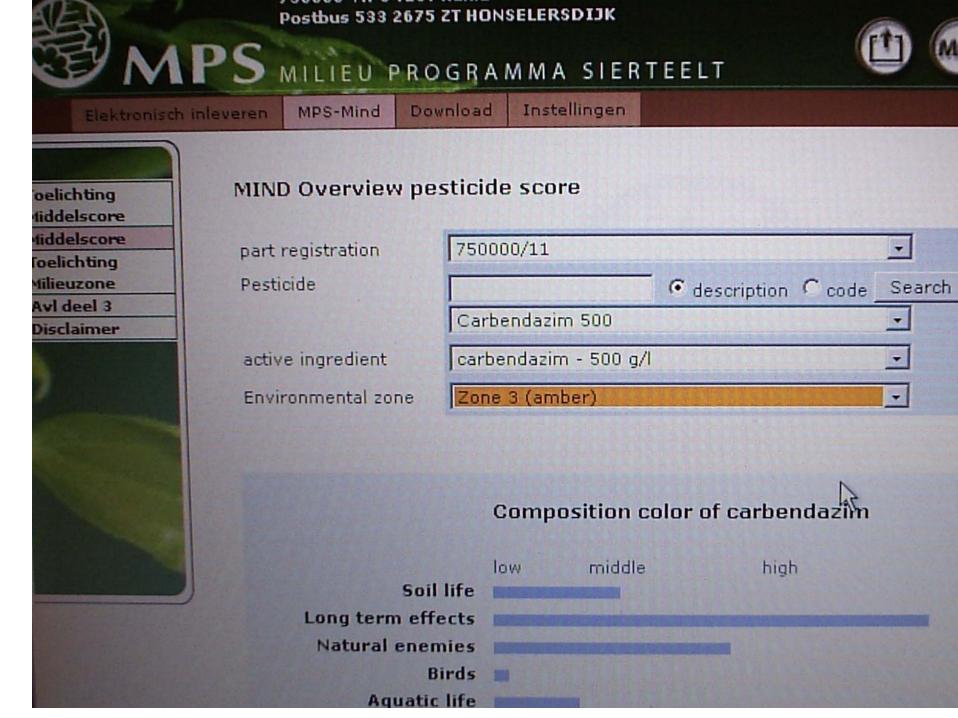


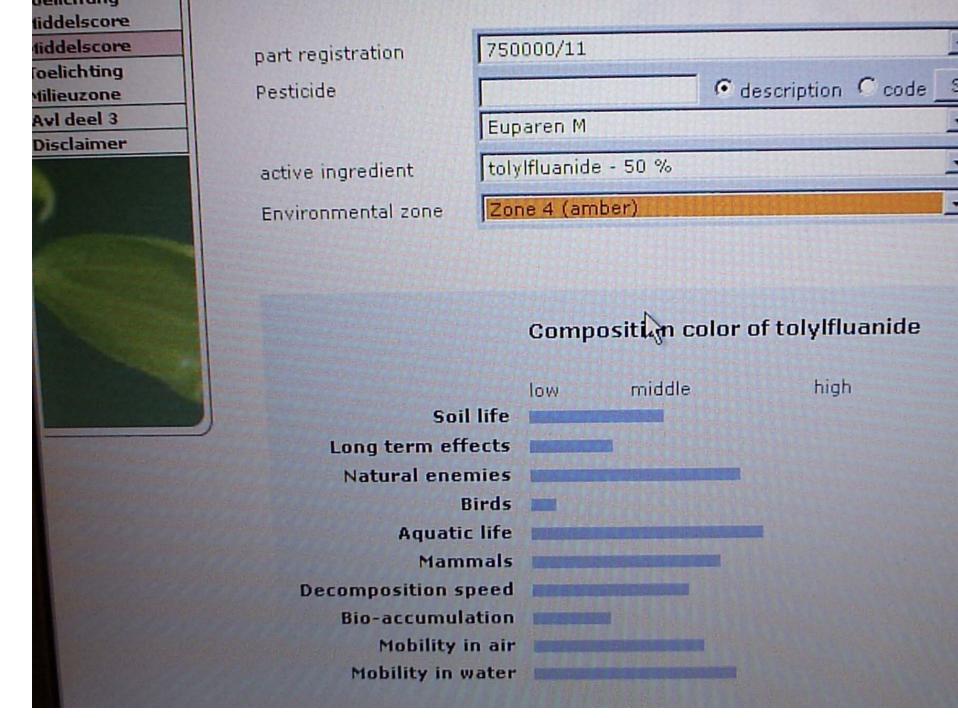


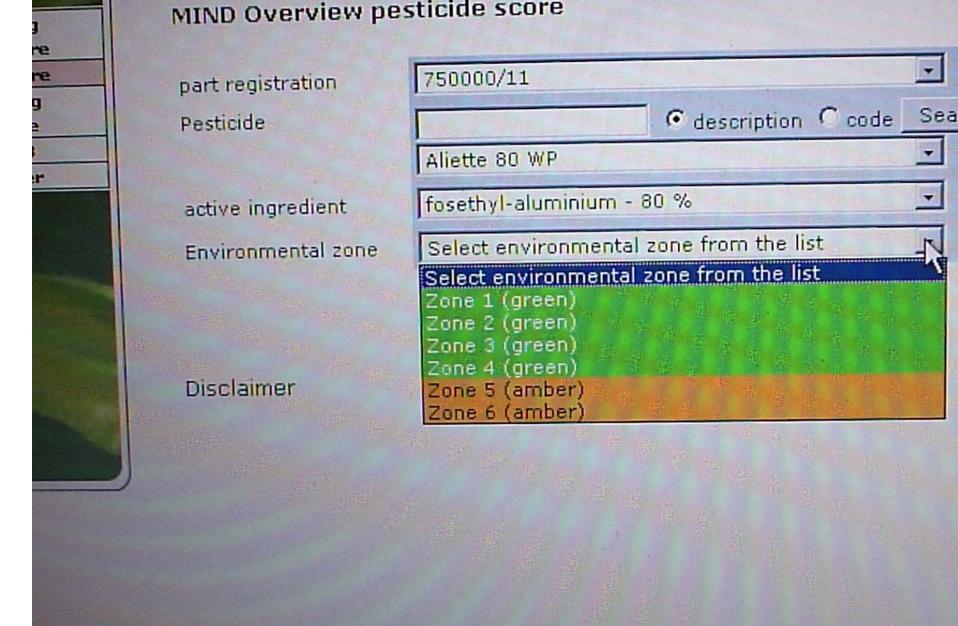
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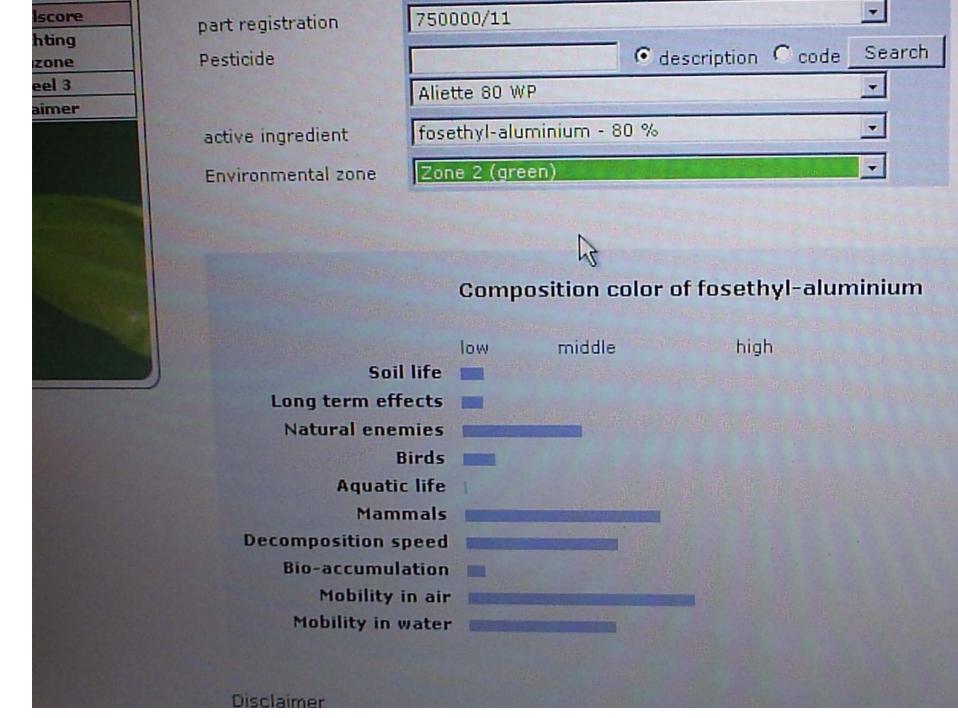


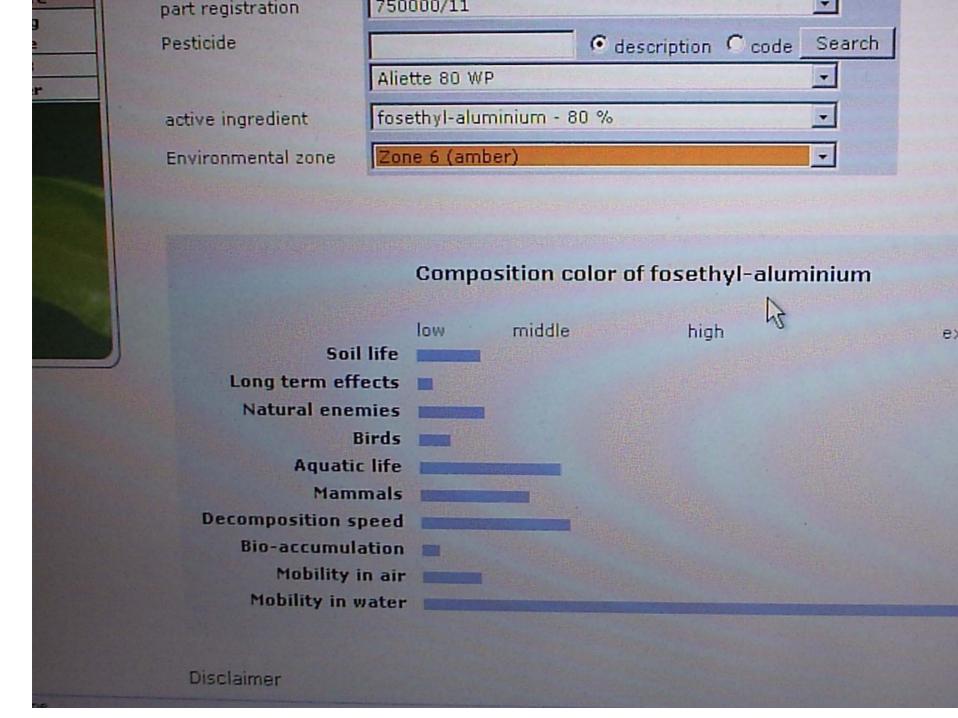


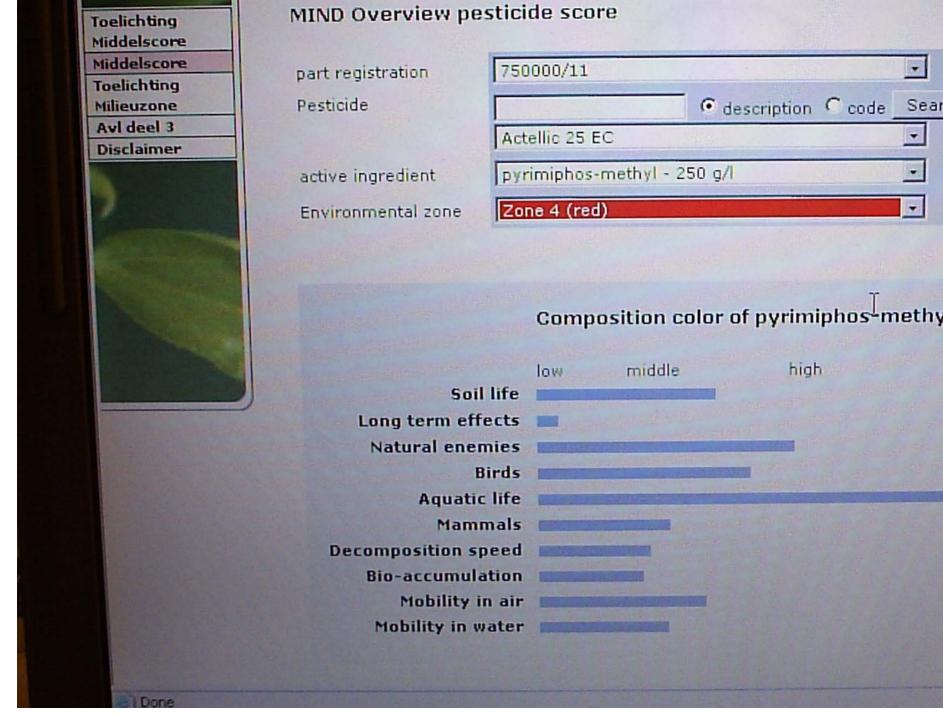


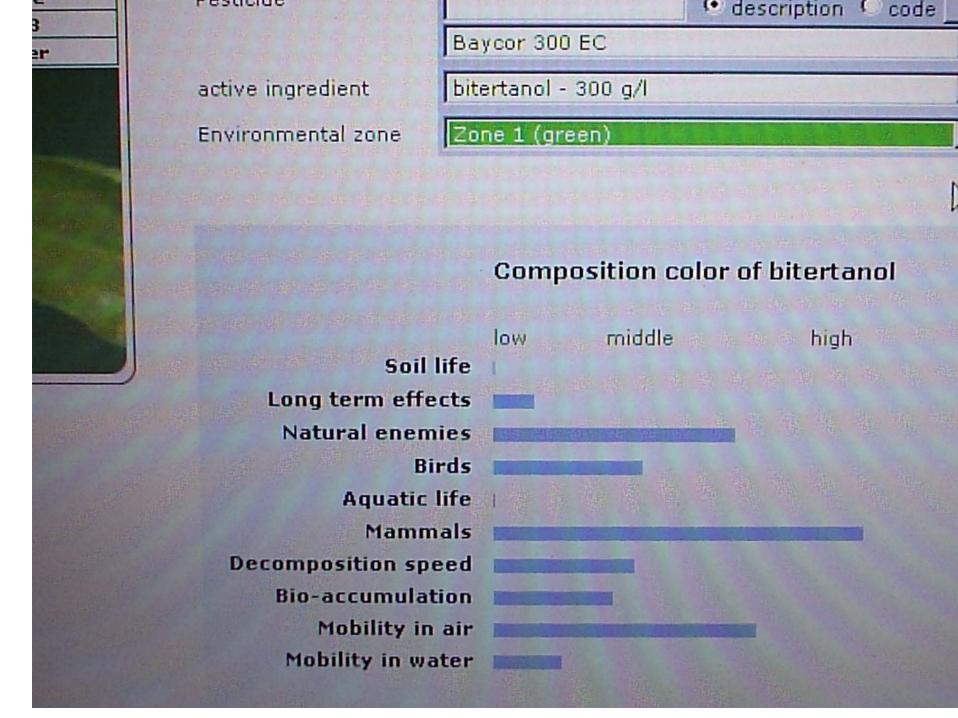














#### Strategy for producers

- J MPS A, B, C as basis

- Socially Qualified
- Consumer labels
- ↓ ISO 14000





# MPS Policy

One window
for
Record keeping
and
Certification



#### **⊃**MPS ABC

- Netherlands
- Europe
- USA
- Asia

#### **⊃**EurepGAP

- retail UK
- Swiss
- ????

#### **⊃**MPS GAP

- Retail Netherlands
- UK
- Swiss
- Sweden
- France
- Spain
- USA

#### Labels and the markets

- **⊃**Max Havelaar
  - Swiss
  - Sweden
  - ?????
- **PELP** 
  - Germany
  - Swiss
  - Austria
- **⇒**SQ
  - Netherlands
  - Swiss
  - UK
- **DETI** 
  - UK

- **PFLO** 
  - UK
- → MPS ABC + SQ or FLP + ENV - FFP (worldwide florist label)





#### Market characterised by

- Much activity
- Increasing call for Sustainable production
- Success social label in Germany & Switzerland
- Trade switches easily
- Diversification of labels (target group & market)
- A label's success depends on recognition by stakeholders and its international position

### MPS-GAP:

- Is a worldwide standard
- Officially benchmarked with Eurep-gap
- The regulations of MPS-GAP are the same in every country
- Participants use the MPS forms and are also audited as MPS participants, they are accustomed to this way of working and they are familiar with the forms and the procedure
- Due the combination with MPS registration, the use of chemicals and fertilizers are limited.

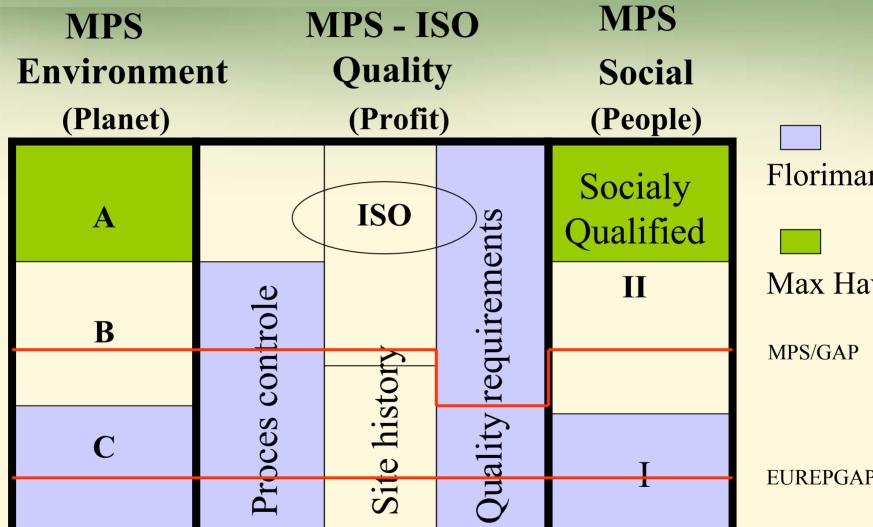


- MPS-GAP is a good tracking and tracing system
- Daily recording for MPS-GAP is very easy with the new module ACTRES, which enables up-to-date recording, and there is a link with MPS-MIND
- MPS-GAP contains many social elements and is for these elements comparable with Socially Qualified
- The MPS-GAP audit may be combined with the MPS company audit, which means that your company is audited only once a year. This saves time and money
- In order to show that you are certified you may use the MPS-GAP trademark on your packaging material, correspondence with your clients, trucks etc..



# MPS-GAP for retailers "Champions League of Certificates" "The market for winners"







## What is our marketing strategy?

- Producers in all countries
- Business to business international
- International and local making the market
- □ Flowers, bulbs, nursery stock, potplants, parental material, vegetables and fruits are strengthening the international label



#### Social Label

- Circumstances under which work is carried out
- Conditions of Employment





#### The MPS success:

- Methods of production must become sustainable
- Methods of production able to show results
- Improving Image



#### Future?

Fair Flowers and Plants (FFP)
MPS A & Socialy Qualified
or MPS A & FLP

MPS-Florimark
MPS B & MPS-GAP
Quality-system



#### Why MPS?

- Description Environment and SQ is a strategic option
- Environment and SQ is a market responsibility
- □ Taking responsibillity = competitive advantage
- Doing nothing = competitive disadvantage





Thank you for your attention!

