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Preliminary questionnaire

Group A (Wetlands services in biodiversity)

- Can you give a definition for the term 'wetland'? Do you know if there are European legislations targeting the wetlands?
- What are the threats on wetlands, and how can they be addressed through conservation efforts?
- What are the key ecological services that wetlands offer to biodiversity?
- What role do wetlands play in the life cycles of migratory birds?
- How do wetlands help in mitigating the effects of climate change?

Group B (Wetlands services in food)

- How do wetlands contribute to food production?
- What are some traditional farming practices that have successfully used wetlands for food production?
- What role do wetlands play in enhancing water quality and nutrient cycling, and how does this benefit food production and safety?
- What are the potential challenges and risks associated with farming in wetland areas?
- What types of crops are well-suited for cultivation in wetland areas, and how do they differ from crops grown in upland areas?

Group C (Water in farming)

- Can you explain why water is so important in farming?
- What are the sources of water for irrigation in agriculture, and what are the environmental impacts of excessive water use in agriculture?
- How do cover crops and mulching contribute to reduced water usage in agriculture?
- What innovative technologies are used to minimize water wastage in agriculture and can you provide an example from your country that has achieved significant water savings through innovative farming practices?
- Can you explain what the Water footprint is and give an example?

