Farmers manage and control many aspects of their business, while the weather, market changes, and the law are outside their control. This means that the full effect of such tools will be a long-term process involving both training and more studies on manure nutrient con-tent, soil nutrient storage and the impact of farm practices on the movement of nutrients in different Polish soils in the prevailing climate conditions 2. The advisors need to be focused not only on the short-term (operational) goals of their clients, but also on longer time perspectives including but not restricted to sustainable development goals. There are a number of external factors, e.g. availability of donor funds, agricultural policies, agricultural entities, and environmental re-guirements that affect the implementation of proenvironmental practices and significantly impact on a businessman's thinking processes. Agricultural advisory in-stitutions should be sensitive to all aspects of sus-tainable agriculture and offer guidance and support in all activities (training, individual visits, group communications, etc.). It needs to be stressed that sustainable agri-culture requires a broader view and a system-wide thinking approach, not only on the farmers' side but also on the part of advisory institutions and other entities cooperating in the rural economy and agri-business. Farm-ers may be primarily guided by concrete benefits in terms of higher yields and increased subsidies while agencies also need to be sensitive to, not least, the applicable regulations 1.3.