

The Farm to Fork Strategy

**For a fair, healthy and
environmentally-friendly
food system**

European Green Deal - *von der Leyen Commission*

European Union





Farm to Fork Strategy: overall goals



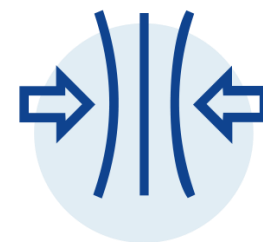
climate
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global
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new
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resilience

Reduce the
**environmental
and climate
footprint** of the
food system

Lead a
global transition
towards competitive
sustainability from
farm to fork

Tap into
**new
opportunities**

Create a **robust
and resilient** food
system



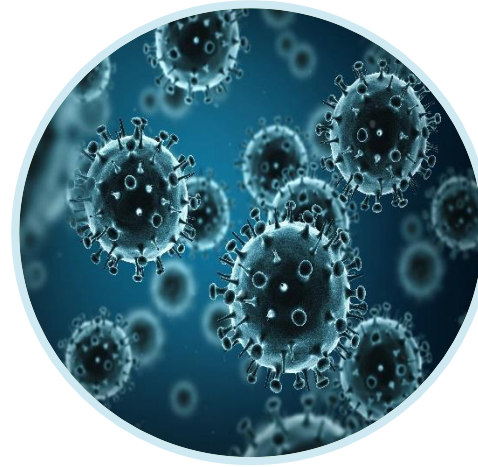
2030 Targets for sustainable food production



Reduce by 50% the overall use and risk of **chemical pesticides** and reduce use by 50% of more hazardous **pesticides**



Reduce **nutrient losses** by at least 50% while ensuring no deterioration in soil fertility; this will reduce use of **fertilisers** by at least 20 %



Reduce sales of **antimicrobials** for farmed animals and in aquaculture by 50%



Achieve at least 25% of the EU's agricultural land under **organic farming** and a significant increase in **organic aquaculture**





| Concrete actions: overarching

Legislative framework for sustainable food systems (2023):

- Framework with **comprehensive set of general principles and requirements** on the sustainability of food systems
- Basis **to ensure policy coherence** at EU and national level; mainstream sustainability in food-related policies
- Provisions on **governance, collective involvement** of stakeholders

Development of a **contingency plan** (Q4 2021)
for ensuring food supply & security in times of crisis



| Actions to ensure sustainable food production (1)



Adopt recommendations to MS addressing the nine specific objectives of the **Common Agricultural Policy (CAP)**, before submission draft **CAP Strategic Plans** (2020)



Revision of **Sustainable Use of Pesticides Directive** and enhancement of **Integrated Pest Management** (2022)



Revision of Regulations to facilitate **plant protection products containing biological active substances** (2021)



Action plan **for the organic sector** for 2021-2026 to stimulate supply and demand for organic products (2020)



Action plan for **integrated nutrient management** to reduce the pollution from fertilisers (2021)



Actions to ensure sustainable food production (2)

EU **carbon farming** initiative (2021) - CO₂ emissions sequestration and regeneration degraded agricultural soil

Proposal for a revision of EU **marketing standards** for agricultural products (2021-22)



Legislative initiatives to enhance **cooperation of primary producers** (support position in food chain) (2021-22)

Launch initiatives to stimulate **reformulation of processed food** (2021)

Enforce **single market rules and tackle Food Fraud** (2022)



Actions to promote shift towards healthy, sustainable diets

Determine the best modalities for setting **minimum mandatory criteria for sustainable food procurement** (2021)

Proposal to require **origin indication** for certain products. (2022)

Review of the **EU promotion programme** for agricultural and food products (aimed at sustainable production and consumption) (2020)



Proposal for a harmonised **mandatory front-of-pack nutrition labelling** to enable consumers to make health conscious food choices (2022)

Proposal for a **sustainable food labelling framework** to empower consumers to make sustainable food choices (2024)

Nutrition - health

Nutrition Declaration	Per 100 g
Energy	kJ/kcal
Fat	g
of which saturates	g
Carbohydrate	g
of which sugars	g
Protein	g
Salt	g

Environment



Social



| Promoting global transition

- International cooperation to **support developing countries in their transition to sustainable food systems**;
- Inclusion of ambitious sustainability chapter, including on food, in all EU bilateral **trade agreements**.
- Work through **international standard setting bodies (e.g: Codex) and** promotion of sustainable food systems in **international fora and events** (e.g. UN Summit on Food Systems in 2021).
- **Environmental aspects** taken into account when **assessing requests for import tolerances** for pesticide substances no longer approved in the EU
- Promotion of appropriate **labelling schemes** - to ensure that food imported into the EU is gradually produced in a sustainable way.
- Legislative proposal and other measures to avoid / minimise the placing of products associated with **deforestation or forest degradation** on the EU market (2021°).



| Enabling the transition



Research and innovation (R&I) and investments are among the key drivers;

- Under **Horizon 2020**, the Commission is preparing an additional call for proposals for Green Deal priorities in 2020 for a total of around EUR **1 billion**. Under **Horizon Europe**, it proposes to spend **EUR 10 billion** on R&I on food, bioeconomy, natural resources, agriculture, fisheries, aquaculture and the environment.
- Strengthen the role of the **European Innovation Partnership** (EIP-AGRI) in the Strategic Plans.
- The **European Regional Development** Fund will invest, through **smart specialisation**, in innovation and collaboration along the food value chains.
- Through EU budget guarantees, the **InvestEU Fund** will foster investment in the agro-food sector by de-risking investments by European corporations and facilitating access to finance for SMEs and mid-cap42 companies.



Council Conclusions on the Farm to Fork Strategy (15 October) – REQUESTS FOR THE COMMISSION

- to base **legislative proposals** on scientifically-sound ex-ante **impact assessments**, after consultation with the Member States. The cumulative effects of the legislative proposals should be taken into account.
- to ensure that these targets are EU targets to which all Member States must contribute through **action at national level**.
- **the guidance and recommendations** to the Member States are clear, comprehensive, transparent, science-based and performance-oriented.
- to ensure **a level playing field** on competitive agri-food markets and **compatibility with WTO rules**.
- to perform **impact assessments** for **bilateral trade agreements** in such manner that their results are available well before the final phase of the negotiation of a trade agreement.

