



The European Green Deal and the CAP after 2020

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Six political priorities Commission 2020-2024

- *A European Green Deal*
- *An economy that works for people*
- *A Europe fit for the digital age*
- *Protecting our European way of life*
- *A stronger Europe in the world*
- *A new push for European democracy*

The European Green Deal



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- **Farm to Fork Strategy** in spring 2020
 - Measures, including legislative, to significantly **reduce** the use of **chemical pesticides, fertilizers and antibiotics**
 - Examination of the **draft national strategic plans**, to meet the ambitions of the European Green Deal and the Farm to Fork Strategy in 2020/2021

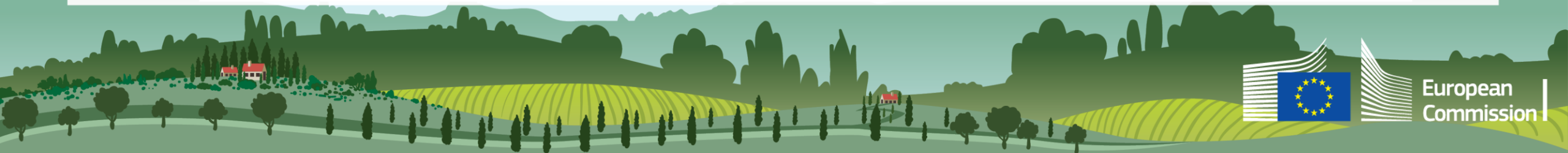
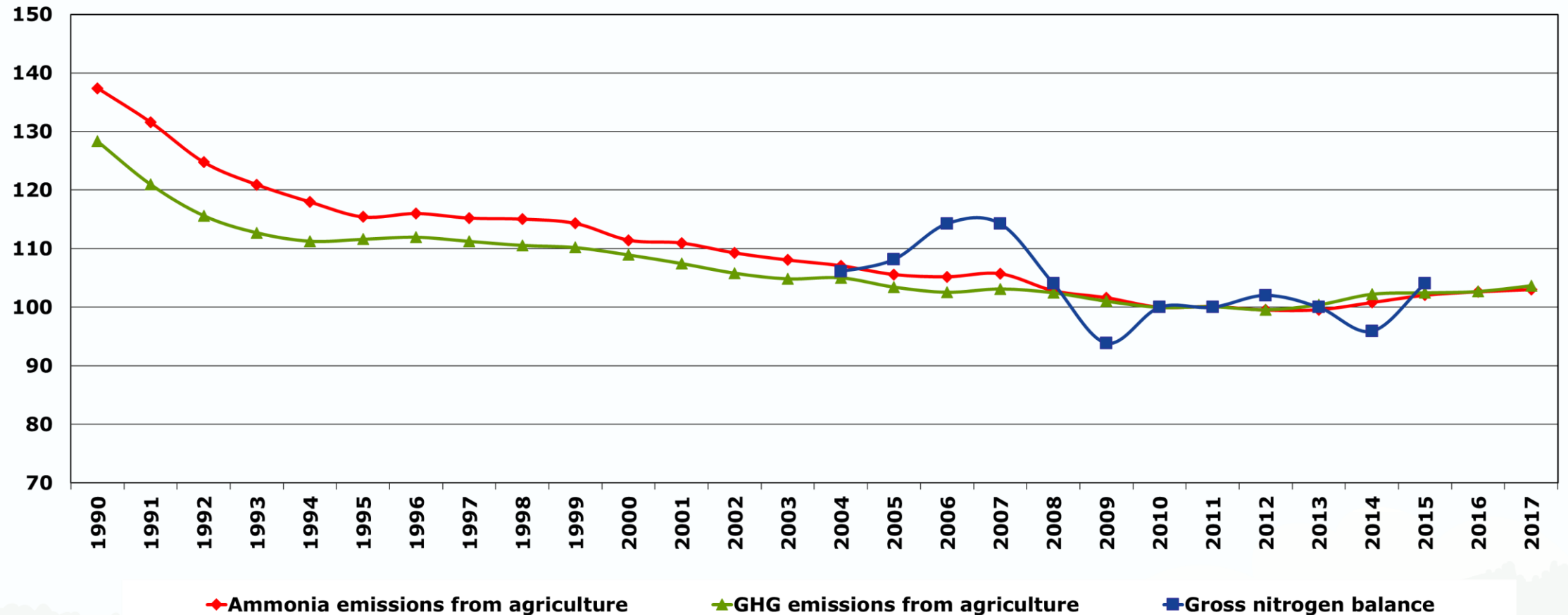
From 'Farm to Fork': a fair,
healthy and environmentally
friendly food system

The EU as a
global leader

A European
Climate Pact

...and the EU's agricultural footprint

Reduction in environmental impact indicators (2010=100)





Challenges of EU food systems

Farm



To



Fork

Climate change is jeopardising crops, livestock and fish stocks

Fisheries

Low farm income; Difficult access for young generations

Food and agricultural sectors are GHG emitters

Agriculture

Macro and trade tensions put downward pressure on some prices

Expected extreme weather events and cost squeeze can increase volatility

Environmental degradation puts at risk natural resources and biodiversity

Competition for natural resources between food use/energy/urbanisation

Yield increases are slowing down, while agricultural area is fixed

Food industry

Tensions between quantity vs quality and attitude vs behaviour will be exacerbated

Shifting values of EU society

Asymmetry in the transmission of food prices will remain

Retailers

Consumers

Changes in retail channels trigger standardisation and concentration

Mixed prospects for rural areas net job gains in some, social exclusion in others

Risks linked to unhealthy diet remain high

Demand for food will grow

Food losses and waste are growing



Essence of the Farm to Fork Strategy

- Farm to Fork Strategy in **spring 2020**
 - Document to provide **direction**
 - With a list of **actions** for the next 5 years
 - Overall objective: **sustainable food system** – in environmental, social and economic terms
 - Covering **all stages** in food supply chain



Of particular interest to the farm sector...

- “Increased level of ambition” in cutting the use of chemical **pesticides, fertilisers** and **antibiotics**
- **Stakeholder dialogue** to help identify means of achieving this (including legislative means)
- Use of “sustainable practices” to rise – including **organic farming**
- **CAP strategic plans** must **fully reflect these ambitions** and other elements of the Green Deal



Green Deal implies Future CAP must focus on:

- ***Strategic plans ...***

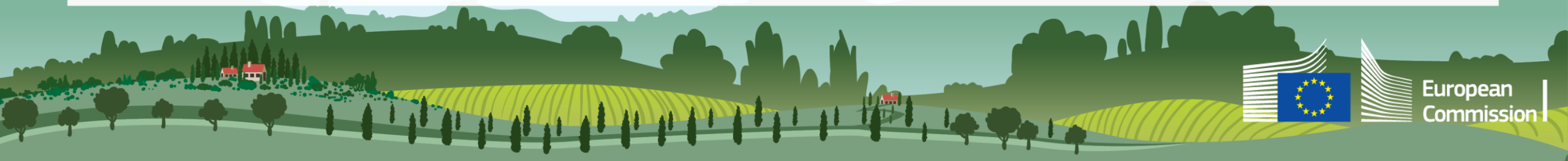
... which, based on SWOT analysis, link national (climate) strategies to CAP policy measures

- ***Significant reduction in input use ...***

... need to be reflected in CAP plans with respect to fertilisers, pesticides and antibiotics

- ***Boosting organic production ...***

... with measures that ensure a balanced growth of both supply and demand





A key role for stakeholders

Transition to sustainable food systems needs all actors along the food chain to engage and co-create effective policies

We want the process to be:

- **Inclusive: We are doing this together, we need your participation!**
- **Interactive: We listen to the evolving concerns of citizens, preoccupations of farmers and the industry, collect ideas/suggestions and address them openly**
- **Based on partnership: COM will give voice to regional, municipal and community initiatives, as well as encourage and support ambitious pledges and commitments from food chain actors.**

THANK YOU

Further information is available at:

https://ec.europa.eu/info/strategy/priorities-2019-2024/european-green-deal_en