

Challenges for an EU Sustainable Food System

SOCIAL SUSTAINABILITY

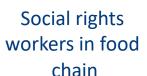




Healthier diets reduce overweight

Improve animal welfare







Food affordability

ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY



Tackle climate change



Protect the environment



Preserve biodiversity



Reduce food losses and waste



Circular bio-based economy

ECONOMIC SUSTAINABILITY





Fairer incomes for farmers, fishers & aquaculture producers





New business & job opportunities



Farm to Fork Strategy: overall goals



climate footprint



global transition



new opportunities



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



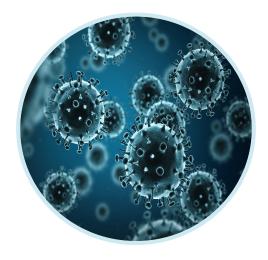
2030 Targets for sustainable food production







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



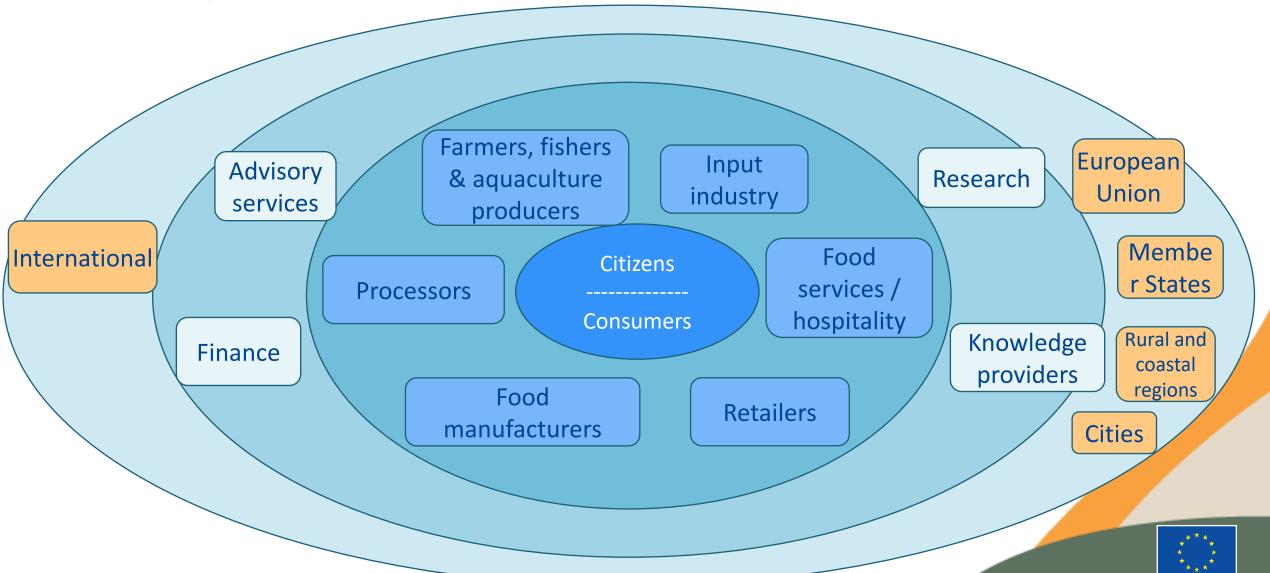
Reduce sales of antimicrobials for farmed animals and in aquaculture by 50%



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



Integrated approach from farm to fork needed



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

Development of a **contingency plan** (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)

Proposal for a revision of the existing **animal** welfare legislation, including on transport and slaughter (2023)

Proposal for a revision of the **feed additives** Regulation to reduce the environmental impact of livestock farming (2021)



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

Clarification of the scope of competition rules with regard to sustainability in collective actions (2022)

Proposal for a Farm
Sustainability Data
Network (data and advice
on sustainable farming
practices) (2022)



Actions to stimulate sustainable practices by food industry and retail, hospitality and food service

Initiative to improve the corporate governance framework (integrate sustainability into corporate strategies) (2021)

Develop an EU code and monitoring framework for responsible business and marketing conduct in the food supply chain (2021)

Stimulate **reformulation** of processed food, including setting of **maximum levels for certain nutrients** (2021)



Set **nutrient profiles** to restrict promotion of food high in salt, sugar or fat (2022)

Proposal revision EU legislation on Food Contact Materials (food safety, environmental footprint)
(2022)

Revision **EU marketing standards**for agricultural, fishery and
aquaculture products (ensure
uptake and supply of sustainable
products (2021-22)

Enhance coordination to tackle **Food Fraud** (2021-2022)



Actions to promote shift towards healthy, sustainable diets

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

Review of the **EU school scheme** legal framework: refocus on healthy and sustainable food (2023)

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

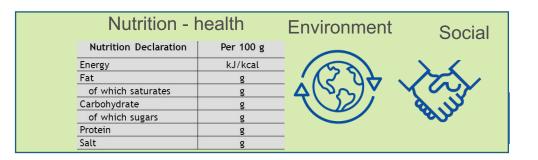
Proposal VAT rates (currently being discussed in Council): could allow to make more targeted use of rates (e.g. to support organic fruit and vegetables).



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

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

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



Actions to reduce food loss and waste

Committed to reaching the UN SDG Target to halve food waste at retail and consumer levels by 2030, and reduce food losses along the food production and supply chains.

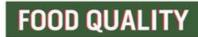












Revise EU rules for date marking ('use by' and 'best before' dates) (2022)

