

# The Farm to Fork Strategy

For a fair, healthy and  
environmentally-friendly  
food system

European Union



# Challenges to the EU food system

## SOCIAL SUSTAINABILITY



Healthier diets  
– reduce  
overweight



Improve  
animal  
welfare



Social rights  
workers in food  
chain



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



Just  
transition



New business & job  
opportunities

# Establish a sustainable food system that:



- **has neutral or positive environmental impact:**
  - preserving and restoring the land and sea-based resources;
  - mitigate climate change and adapt to its impact;
  - reversing the loss of biodiversity;



- **ensures food security and public health:**
  - access for everyone to sufficient, nutritious, sustainable food;
  - high standards of safety and quality, plant health, animal health and welfare;



- **preserves the affordability of food, while:**
  - generating fair economic returns & fostering a competitive sector
  - promoting fair trade & leading a global transition towards sustainability
  - safeguarding occupational health and safety
  - ensuring integrity of the single market



**Food security and food safety are cornerstones of our food system, and will never be compromised**



# Green Deal EU targets for agriculture

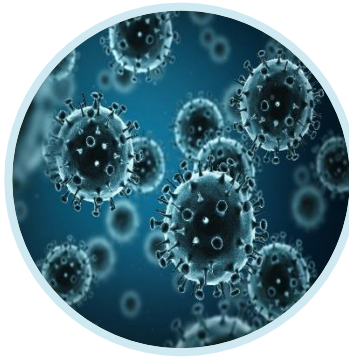
*Defined in the Farm to Fork and Biodiversity Strategy*



Reduce by 50% the overall use and risk of **chemical pesticides** and reduce use by 50% of more hazardous pesticides by 2030



Achieve at least 25% of the EU's agricultural land under **organic farming** and a significant increase in **organic aquaculture** by 2030



Reduce sales of **antimicrobials** for farmed animals and in aquaculture by 50% by 2030



Reduce **nutrient losses** by at least 50% while ensuring no deterioration in soil fertility; this will reduce use of **fertilisers** by at least 20 % by 2030



Bring back at least 10% of agricultural area under **high-diversity landscape features** by 2030



Achieve 100% access to **fast broadband internet** in rural areas by 2025

# Farm to Fork action plan includes:

Adopt recommendations to MS on implementing the future **Common Agricultural Policy (CAP)**, before submission of draft **Strategic Plans** (2020)

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

Proposal to revise **animal welfare** legislation (farm, transport, slaughter) (2023)

**Horizon Europe**: EUR 10 billion in R&I related to food, bioeconomy, natural resources, agriculture, fisheries, aquaculture and environment



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



Review of the **EU promotion programme** for agricultural and food products (aimed at sustainable production and consumption) (2021)

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

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

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

Proposal for **EU-level targets for food waste reduction** & Revise EU rules for date marking ('use by' and 'best before' dates)

