

TO
Alexandra Nikolakopoulou
Head of Unit
Farm to Fork Strategy
Directorate-General for Health and Food Safety (DG SANTE)
European Commission

Stockholm, 1 July 2021

## Dear Mrs Nikolakopoulou,

This is to confirm that Coop Sweden, a leading co-operative retail chain, endorse the EU Code of Conduct on Responsible Food Business and Marketing Practices and stand ready to sign up, effective immediately.

The Code's ambition is very much in line with Coop Sweden's sustainability strategy and we are currently internally reflecting to continue to put forward ambitious and tangible commitments in multiple areas, including:

- 1. Reduce and communicate the sustainability impact from our food products with the aid of our sustainability declarations (that has focus on 10 sustainability aspects).
- Reduce climate impact and we have committed to a goal in compliance with Science based targets with ambition 1,5 degrees Celsius. With the aid of our sustainability declarations we will make sure that the climate reduction is not being achieved at the cost of any other sustainability aspects when it comes to our food products.
- 3. Decrease the food loss and waste. Both in our stores and help our members reduce the food loss and waste.
- 4. Focus on plastics to decrease the climate foot print and waste.
- 5. Continue to develop circular business models

Due to the Code's quick development and the tight deadlines, Coop Sweden can only provide indications of their commitments. They will put forward concrete and tangible actions, and, as stipulated by Section 3.2.2 of the Code, submit by 31 December 2021 a brief document with the rationale and motivation and the KPIs / methodology used to track progress.

Coop Sweden continuously strive to innovate operations in view of higher sustainability performance. The success of the Code and the Farm to Fork Strategy requires every actor to do their fair share and we stand ready to co-operate nationally and internationally through the appropriate structures. We will coordinate our work with our EU-level association Euro Coop for the effective promotion of high sustainability practices.

With co-operative greetings,

Marie Nygren Chair of the Board, Coop Sweden Magnus Johansson CEO Coop Sweden

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