

FIRST COMMON FINANCIAL FRAMEWORK FOR THE FOOD CHAIN 2014-2020 COVERING ANIMAL AND PLANT HEALTH, ANIMAL WELFARE AND OFFICIAL CONTROLS



BUDGET:

An allocation of almost
€1.9 billion
for 2014-2020:

- **65%** on **animal health** programmes;
- **6.9%** on **plant protection** programmes;
- **19.9%** on **official control** programmes;
- **7%** on **emergency measures** for animal and plant health;
- **1%** to the **Consumers, Health and Food Executive Agency (Chafea)** which will implement some specific programmes.

PROGRAMMING AND IMPLEMENTATION:

access to grants through annual or multi-annual work programmes.

CONTROL AND ERADICATION:

By 31 May every year, EU countries submit their annual or multi-annual programmes requesting the Commission to provide an EU contribution for the following year(s).

Goals

- To provide a single, clear financial framework that underpins the EU from farm to fork policy objectives.
- To support the animal, plant and control package of reforms which will simplify the regulatory environment and reduce the administrative burden for food operators along the food chain, plant health professionals and veterinarians.
- To ensure a modern and more flexible financial tool that is better equipped to respond to environmental, demographic and social challenges.

Objectives

To support and complement EU Member States' efforts to contribute to a high level of health for humans, animals and plants whilst protecting consumers' interests by:

- Contributing to a high level of food safety and a sustainable food production;
- Achieving a higher animal health status and improved animal welfare;
- Contributing to the timely detection and eradication of animal diseases and plant pests;
- Improving the effectiveness, efficiency and reliability of official controls;
- Developing training programmes for increased awareness of specific EU food chain legislation.

Beneficiaries

Direct beneficiaries for funding are the competent authorities in the field of animal and plant health, animal welfare and official controls in all EU Member States', as well as international organisations active in the areas covered by the financial framework.

Indirect benefits for all EU citizens, through access to a high level of food safety, increased choice and more competitive prices.

Higher level of human, animal and plant health while protecting consumers' interests and the environment.

*Thematic Priorities**

1. ANIMAL HEALTH

- 1.1** Emergency measures related to a number of listed diseases likely to constitute a threat for the EU due to their significant impact on:
- human health;
 - animal health or animal welfare; or
 - agricultural or aquaculture production or related sectors of the economy.
- 1.2** Programmes for the eradication, control and surveillance of a list of animal diseases and zoonoses taking into account the:
- situation vis-à-vis animal diseases that have a significant impact on livestock production or trade;
 - development of zoonoses which pose a threat to humans; or
 - scientific or epidemiological developments.
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2. PLANT HEALTH

- 2.1** Emergency measures to:
- eradicate a pest from an infected area;
 - contain a pest;
 - provide additional protection against the spread of a pest.
- 2.2** Survey programmes concerning the presence of pests. Programmes to control pests in outermost EU regions.
- 2.3** Programmes to control pests in outermost EU regions.
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3. FINANCIAL SUPPORT FOR OFFICIAL CONTROLS AND OTHER ACTIVITIES

- 3.1** Support the EU Reference Laboratories to ensure high quality, uniform testing in the EU and support Commission activities on risk management and risk assessment in the area of laboratory analysis.
- 3.2** Training staff in the national competent authorities responsible for official controls.
- 3.3** Coordinated control plans and data collection.
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4. OTHER MEASURES

- 4.1** Support information systems at EU level (such as the Rapid Alert System for Food and Feed).
- 4.2** Support technical and scientific work, including studies and coordination activities for the implementation and adaptation of rules governing the food chain.

* The Regulation can be found at: <https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?uri=CELEX:32014R0652>