## Farm to Fork Conference 2020

High-level panel discussion *Building an EU legislative framework for sustainable food systems* 

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### 17 GOALS TO TRANSFORM OUR WORLD





## 7 key food supply chain corporate social responsibility (CSR) dimensions

- Environment,
- Product safety,
- Nutrition,
- Occupational welfare,
- Animal welfare,
- Economic responsibility and
- Local market presence

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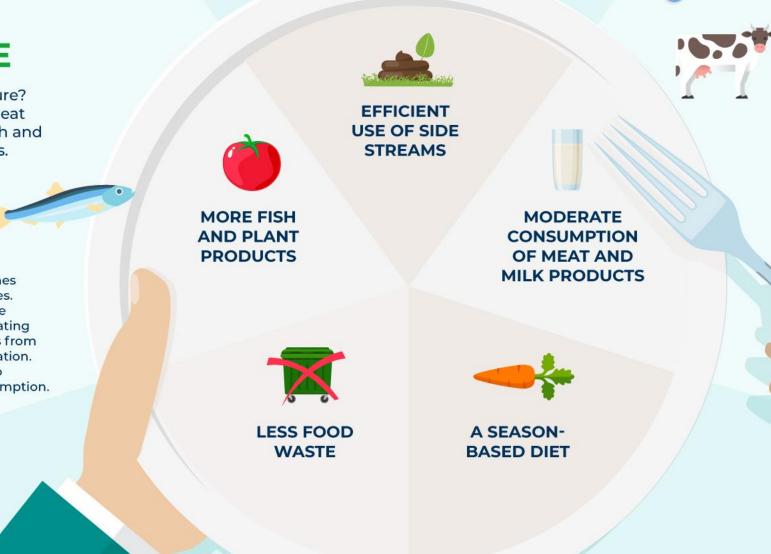
### THE FINNISH FOOD SYSTEM OF THE FUTURE

What will we eat in the future? We will produce, serve and eat what we need for our health and wellbeing on nature's terms.

#### MORE FISH AND PLANT PRODUCTS

+ health and wellbeing + a smaller carbon footprint

Local, seasonal vegetables, legumes and berries are sustainable choices. We can utilise local, wild fish more extensively than we do now. By eating fish, you help to remove nutrients from waterways and reduce eutrophication. Fish farming is an effective way to produce animal protein for consumption.



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#### MODERATE CONSUMPTION OF MEAT AND MILK PRODUCTS

- + health and wellbeing
- + a smaller carbon footprint

Livestock production and the manure produced by animals are an essential part of the carbon and nutrient cycle in agriculture. Manure maintains the growth capacity of arable land, while grazing promotes biodiversity.



Reliable administration and stringent legislation guaranteeing quality and sustainability:

- Safe food is produced with minimal use of antimicrobials and contains least amount of pesticide residues.
- Monitoring data to prove compliance.
- Animal welfare at a high level: room to roam, stimulus, access to outdoors, all pigs get to keep their tails!
- Food system relies on cooperation.
- Improving the profitability of the farming
- Improving farmer's position in the food system





## Implementation of F2F

- 1. Subsidiarity principle
- 2. Impact assessments are needed
  - The history of the use of antibiotics, fertilizers, pesticides, organic areas in MS's should be taken account
- 3. Non-legistative proposals
- 4. Legislation we look forward to the proposals



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## Sustainability of the food sector

"Modern, scientific-based legislation ensures a level playing field for the operators and high quality products for the consumers"

### Case food labelling

- The results of the consumer surveys show very clearly that consumers want to see the origin indication of the **meat** and **milk** also when used **as an ingredient** and especially in **prepacked foods**.
- Harmonized EU legislation would ensure the appropriate application of the requirements in all EU MS and ensure the proper functioning of the internal market.
- New rules for origin indication should be in line with the rules for origin indication in the current legislation.



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### Case animal welfare and animal health

- Animal welfare legislation (farm level, transport and slaughter) to be evaluated, revised and complemented.
- New Animal Health Regulation a basis for animal disease prevention and preparedness.
- Regulation on veterinary medicinal products and medicated feed tools to **fight against the AMR**.
- Regulating criteria for sustainability related labelling schemes (animal welfare, carbon footprint etc.) and innovative technics.
- Step-by-step procedure for safely phasing out the feed ban and supporting circular economy (animal by-products).



### We are supporting:



- Reduction of the food loss and waste
- The work against food fraud
- Sustainable packaging solutions
- Plant health and plant protection measures, IYPH 2020
- The scrutiny of the legislation of new breeding techniques
- One Health approach
- Contingency plan for ensuring food supply and food security



## Thank you!

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