



FEAD

**Fund for European Aid
to the most Deprived**

Setting the scene

Launched in March 2014 with the main aim of breaking the vicious circle of poverty and deprivation

Shared management: EU budget of EUR 3.8 billion and top up by Member States with EUR 674 million as national co-financing

Support delivered through partner organisations

Main principles

Non-discrimination: enhancing and maintaining equality between men and women; respect and dignity for all

Environment: considering the possible impact of the earth's climate when purchasing food, and making an effort to reduce food waste

Promotion of a balanced diet: contributing to the balanced diet of the most deprived

Partnership: forming partnerships between Member States, regional and local authorities and non-governmental organisations (NGOs)

Effectiveness and efficiency: implementing sound financial management and reducing administrative burdens

Target groups and types of assistance

The persons who will benefit from FEAD are determined at the national level

OP I: 24 Member States

Food assistance -Material support -Accompanying Measures

OP II: 4 Member States

Social inclusion measures

Partner Organisations

- Public Bodies or NGOs.
- For OP I:
 - Distribute material assistance directly or indirectly
 - If distribute directly, must undertake social inclusion activities.
 - Receive food and goods or funding.
- For OP II: Receiving funding to implement actions

Eligible expenditure

- For OP I:
 - Cost of purchases of food and goods
 - 5% for administrative costs
 - 5% for accompanying measures (if funded by the OP)
- For OP II: National eligibility rules apply



FEAD Network

The FEAD is more than just a source of funding, it is also a network.

Partner organisations participating in the implementation of national programmes, the managing authorities and organisations at the European, national, regional or local level involved in monitoring the actions or in the fight against poverty and social exclusion may participate in the FEAD network.

FEAD Network

	Event	Timing of event	Topic	No. of delegates	Duration
3 Network Meetings in Brussels	Brussels	4 th meeting on 22 February 2017	Selection of food products	90 (actual)	1 day
		6 th meeting on 19 June 2017	'Whole person' approach	83 (actual)	1 day
		7 th meeting (21 September 2017)	Food waste	80	1 day
2 Network Meetings outside Belgium with possible site visits	Berlin	5 th meeting on 6-7 April 2017	Identification and outreach of target groups	96 (actual)	1 day, spread over 2 days (1 st day meeting, 2 nd day site visits)

FEAD and Food Waste

Food redistribution functions as an important form of income support

Challenges

- attracting and retaining volunteers
- lack of capacity building to undertake task
- early intervention: awareness raising among children on food waste prevention

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Challenges(continued)

- Administrative barriers (goldplating)
- Lack of financial incentives for supermarkets to reduce food waste
- Involvement of partner organisations in redistribution requires appropriate infrastructure

FEAD results so far

Over 14 million people, 47.2 % (6.7 million) of whom are women, are estimated to have benefited from FEAD food assistance in 2015. Approximately 30 % of the end recipients (4.1 million) are estimated to be children aged 15 or under and 10 % (1.4 million) people aged 65 or over. Among the end recipients, there are also an estimated 5.5 % (0.8 million) people with disabilities, almost 14 % (2 million) migrants, people with a foreign background (including refugees and other beneficiaries of international protection) and minorities, and 8.5 % (1.2 million) homeless people.

Omnibus FEAD Trilogue

Second meeting on 10/10/2017

- funding of integrated operations with retroactive effect (article 23 (6))
- ceiling for lump sums (article 25(1))