



# **Update on Circular Economy Action Plan: EU food waste prevention initiatives**

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# CEAP progress update: food waste

- Key deliverables are on track:
  - **FLW Platform** established and operational (2016)
    - sub-groups: food donation (20 March 2017); food waste measurement (31 March); "action & implementation" – pending discussion today
    - digital tools: COM/REFRESH – roll-out planned (July-Sept)
  - **Food waste measurement methodology**
    - Key elements under discussion with Platform
    - Further developments linked to ongoing negotiations on the waste legislation proposal

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- Key deliverables are on track:
  - **Food donation**
    - EU guidelines: Final discussion with Platform today; ISC – summer; COM adoption forecast November/December
    - Pilot project: to be launched by end 2017
  - **EU guidelines for use of former foodstuffs as feed**
    - To be adopted by end 2017
  - **Date marking**
    - Study launched; results by end 2017



# Waste legislation – state of play

- Proposal to revise Waste Framework Directive (*COM(2015)595 final*) requires MS to:
  - **reduce food waste generation at each stage in the food supply chain** (primary production, processing/manufacturing, retail/other food distribution, restaurants and food services, households)
  - **Monitor** food waste levels, based on **common EU methodology**, and **report** (on a biennial basis).



# Key provisions related to food waste proposed by European Parliament

- Definition of “food waste” – (AM 98)
- Food waste hierarchy – (AM 107)
- Aspirational EU food waste target – (AM 145)
- Binding EU food waste target to be set by end 2020 for 2025/2030 – (AM 236)

Text of all amendments is available online at the website of European Parliament.



# Waste legislation – negotiations

- Proposal is subject to ordinary legislative procedure (former "co-decision") – i.e. has to be accepted both by Council and Parliament
- Negotiations in the form of "trilogue", involving Council, Parliament and Commission are currently ongoing
- Final outcome may have a significant impact on future food waste policy in EU

# Future Platform meetings & agenda forecast

- 7 November 2017- new topics to be addressed eg:
  - **Date marking:** presentation and discussion on main findings of COM study; update on initiatives in MS
  - **Green Public Procurement** for food and catering services (DG ENV)
  - **LIFE programme:** projects related to food waste prevention (DG ENV)
  - **Digital tools:** implementation update



# Future Platform meetings & agenda forecast

- **Sub-groups:**
  - **Next meetings:** 4th quarter 2017
- **2018 Plenary meetings (dates tbc):**
  - **March** – in context of AgroBalt Fair (LT)
  - **November**





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**Thank you**