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9th meeting of the EU Platform on Food Losses and Food Waste

10 December 2020

10:00 – 17:00

Online (WebEx)

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Chaired by Ms. Nathalie Chaze, Director, Food sustainability, international relations

Draft agenda

- 09:30 – 10:00 Technical start (participants connect to the meeting through WebEx Meetings; technical assistance is provided as needed)
- 10:00 – 10:05 **Introduction** by the Chair
- 10:05 – 10:15 **Keynote speech** by Claire Bury, Deputy Director General for Food Sustainability in DG SANTE
- 10:15 – 10:40 **Update on the implementation of the Farm to Fork Strategy**, presentation by Alexandra Nikolakopoulou, Head of Unit, Farm to fork strategy (DG SANTE D1) and exchange with members
- 10:40 – 11:40 **EU actions to prevent food loss and waste: progress and future outlook**
- **Assessment by the German Presidency of progress made on the implementation of June 2016 Council conclusions** (update from 16 November informal videoconference of Ministers of Agriculture and Fisheries) – presentation by Dr. Anke Niederhaus, Head of Unit, Sustainable Nutrition, Reduction of Food Waste, Federal Ministry of Food and Agriculture, Germany
 - **Perspective from the Commission, including implementation of the EU Platform’s recommendations for action**
 - **Discussion with members**

Food redistribution

- 11:40 – 11:50 **Update on food waste prevention activities from the European Food Banks Federation**, presentation by Angela Frigo, Secretary General, European Food Banks Federation (FEBA)
- 11:50 – 12:00 **Recovery and redistribution of surplus food through online platforms**, presentation by Robert van Otterdijk, AgroIndustry Officer, *SAVE FOOD - Initiative on Food Loss and Waste Reduction*, Regional Office for Europe and Central Asia, Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO)
- Exchange with members on the presentations from FEBA and FAO.
- 12:00 – 14:30 **Lunch break**

Date marking

- 14:30 – 15:30 **Scientific opinion of the European Food Safety Authority (EFSA) Panel on Biological Hazards – *Guidance on date marking and related food information: part 1 (date marking)***, presentation by Michaela Hempen, EFSA BIOCONTAM Unit Scientific Officer and Roland Lindqvist, EFSA BIOHAZ Panel member and exchange with members
- 15:30 – 16:00 **Campaign to increase understanding of date marking**, presentation by Christophe Diercxsens, *Too Good To Go*, and Erwan de Gavelle PhD, Food & Health Project Manager, Ministry for Agriculture and Food, France. Exchange with members.

Food waste prevention in food services and hospitality sectors

- 16:00 – 16:30 **A voluntary agreement initiative for the hospitality and food service sectors in Europe**, presentation by Thomas Candéal, International Food Waste Coalition (IFWC) and exchange with members
- 16:30 – 16:40 **Developing a circular economy model for food in healthcare facilities**, presentation by Paola Hernández, Health Care Without Harm and exchange with members
- 16:40 – 16:50 **Measuring and reducing food waste in canteens in healthcare, schools, and company restaurants**, presentation by Jasmien Wildemeersch, FoodWIN and exchange with members
- 16:50 – 17:00 **Conclusions and wrap-up by the Chair**