



FOOD SAFETY EU BUDGET FOR THE FUTURE

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A SUSTAINABLE FOOD FOR ALL

Guaranteeing that food sold in the EU remains safe is at the centre of a **Europe that protects**.

EU food safety rules empower citizens, businesses and policy makers to contribute to a safe, prosperous and sustainable Europe.

The EU budget for 2021-2027 will make food safety, animal and plant health as well as animal welfare core principles of the **Single Market Programme**.

Food policies will be funded by the following financial instruments:

Single Market Programme

European Social Fund
Plus (ESF+)

Horizon Europe
(EU research programme)

Common Agriculture Policy (CAP)

Digital Europe Programme

Emergency Aid Reserve



THE SINGLE MARKET PROGRAMME AS CORNERSTONE

With a proposed budget of **€ 1 680 million**, the financing of food safety policies under the Single Market Programme will aim at:

- **Preventing and eradicating diseases and pests:** by conducting surveys for plant pests and by implementing surveillance, monitoring and eradication activities for animal diseases as well as emergency measures addressing both animals and plants, in order to ensure a high level health status in the EU territory
- **Supporting policies to increase animal welfare**
- **Supporting a sustainable food production and consumption:** by reducing food waste and informing consumers in view of ensuring high quality standards across the EU
- **Improving the effectiveness, efficiency and reliability of official controls** all along the food chain with the view to ensuring the proper implementation and enforcement of EU rules in this area



SUCCESSES AND ADDED VALUE OF EU INTERVENTION



FIGHT AGAINST ANIMAL DISEASES AND PLANT PESTS

WHAT & WHY?

- Among the measures adopted to fight **African Swine Fever** since 2013, almost € 50 M have been mobilized to support eradication programmes and emergency measures
- **Salmonella** dropped from 150 000-220 000 cases per year in 15 Member States before 2002 to about 90 000 cases in 28 Member States in 2012-2015. The number of Salmonella outbreaks has fallen by 41% since 2010

FUTURE FUNDING 2021-2027

- Disease prevention, emergency measures and crisis management; phytosanitary surveillance to early detect pests in the EU, and emergency measures at the initial stage of any outbreaks



OFFICIAL CONTROLS & TRAINING OF STAFF

WHAT & WHY?

- Around 100 000 people across the EU **perform controls** of some 20 million food operators
- **Better Training for Safer Food programme**: in 2016 some 1 300 training events have been organised for close to 55 000 officials of national authorities involved in official controls in the EU Member States and non-EU countries

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- Support to Member States to implement sectoral measures, thus enabling the sophisticated EU enforcement system to work efficiently (laboratories activities, training, and alert and notification tools managed at Commission level)



FOOD WASTE/FOOD FRAUD

WHAT & WHY?

- **EU Platform on Food Losses and Food Waste** to facilitate cooperation and share best practice
- **EU guidelines on food donation** to facilitate the recovery and redistribution of safe, edible food to those in need
- **Combat food fraud** by coordinating actions with Member States and raising awareness campaigns

FUTURE FUNDING 2021-2027

- Increased consumer and operator awareness and promotion of public-private engagement for reducing food waste all along the food chain



ANIMAL WELFARE

WHAT & WHY?

- First **EU Reference Centre for Animal Welfare** providing scientific and technical expertise to Member States, carrying out studies and developing methods for assessing the welfare level of animals and its improvement
- **EU platform on animal welfare** to promote an enhanced dialogue on animal welfare issues relevant at EU level among competent authorities, businesses, civil society and scientists

FUTURE FUNDING 2021-2027

- Improved animal welfare standards and ensuring enforcement by EU countries