

In 2018 **421** Food Banks and branches





equivalent to

4.3 million daily meals



through 45,700 charities



assisting

9.3 million deprived people

thanks to the professionalism of

31,700 co-workers, of which

85% are volunteers



Action Code	WHO	WHAT	HOW	WHEN
RED 1	European/national authorities in collaboration with Food Banks and food value chain		To disseminate existing European/national and sectorial guidelines through stakeholders' dialogues at European and national level	
RED 1	National authorities in collaboration with Food Banks and food value chain	To ensure a correct interpretation of existing European legislation and, if needed, promote the adoption of national legislation in order to facilitate food donation	To foster the adoption of national legislation facilitating food donation, including measures to promote the processing of food (fruit, vegetables, fish, meat, etc.)	
RED 1	Food Banks in collaboration with national authorities		To adopt clear national guidelines of good practices for charitable organisations (Article 8 of Regulation (EC) No 852/2004)	
RED1	Food Banks in collaboration with national authorities and food value chain		To address barriers where needed, leveraging the experience of other Member States	

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RED2	Food Banks in collaboration with food value chain		To identify new sources of supply: from retail to contract catering, from congress and banqueting services (mass caterers) to farmers	
RED2	Food Banks in collaboration with European/national authorities and food value chain		To share knowledge and best practice, leveraging the experience of other Member States	
RED2	Food Banks in collaboration with European/national authorities and food value chain	To promote an increase of food donation both in quantity and quality	To analyse and put in place systems that allow for the rapid reworking/processing of products, such as fruit, vegetables, fish and meat, in order to make them far easier to store and preserve while ensuring the nutritional value	
RED2	Food Banks in collaboration with food value chain		To analyse the impact of food donation on the efficiency of the food value chain and the prevention of food waste	
RED2	Food Banks in collaboration with food value chain		To leverage food donation as an integral part of the food value chain and of a company's corporate social responsibility	

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RED3	Food Banks in collaboration with European/national authorities and food value chain	To better assess the impact of food donation	To develop and share standardized methodology to assess the impact of food donation supported by digital tools, while considering economic, environmental, nutritional, and social impacts.	
RED4	Food Banks in collaboration with European/national authorities and food value chain		To ensure financing for the innovation and modernisation of the system: amongst other possible funding sources, the Single Market Programme could be a new EU funding source in future	
RED4	Food Banks in collaboration with and food value chain	To innovate and modernize food donation	To establish stable partnerships between Food Banks and the food value chain with a holistic approach (e.g. food donation, financial support, sharing of expertise, involvement of employees, etc.)	
RED	Food Banks in collaboration with European/national authorities and food value chain		To share knowledge and best practice, leveraging the experience of other Member States	

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RED – CC1	Food Banks, food value chain and academia		To analyse the logistical challenge to food donation, both for the donor and the receiver, in order to recognise the added value of food donation as an integrated part of the food value chain and not an option, and to increase the potential of food recovery	
RED – CC1	Food Banks, food value chain and academia	To recognise the added value of food donation as an integrated part of the food value chain and innovate the cooperation between Food Banks and other stakeholders both in operational and relational terms	To analyse the positive (economic, environmental, nutritional, and social) impacts of food donation on the food supply chain	
RED – CC1	Food Banks and food value chain		To enhance the efficiency of the system through the use of technology, including tractability and data collection	
RED – CC1	Food Banks and food value chain		To establish stable partnerships between Food Banks and the food value chain with a holistic approach (e.g. food donation, financial support, sharing of expertise, involvement of employees, etc.)	
RED – CC1	European/national authorities, Food Banks and food value chai		As it is already foreseen for other renewable resources, appropriate European and national funding could leverage the activity of Food Banks, especially when initial investments remain an obstacle for many new and/or small organisations	

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RED – CC2	European/national authorities, Food Banks and food value chai	To share results-based positive best practices	To promote campaigns and joint actions aimed at raising awareness about the reduction of food waste, highlighting the positive impact of food donation on business reputation, and targeting all the players of the food value chain	
RED – CC2	European/national authorities, Food Banks and food value chain		To strengthen and relaunch the collaboration between all the stakeholders who are contributing to the reduction of food waste, with the creation of a stable coalition (e.g. Champions 12.3) at European level, with a strong commitment, common actions, and high visibility	