

# Statement on EU legally binding targets to reduce food waste

As part of the EU's farm to fork strategy, the Commission aims to propose legally binding targets for EU member states to reduce food waste. This presents a historic opportunity to tackle food waste, unlocking significant benefits for emissions reduction, food security and biodiversity.

The EU has committed to meet Sustainable Development Goal 12.3 to reduce food waste by 50% by 2030, which Champions 12.3 recommend should be interpreted as a 50% reduction in all food loss and waste from farm to fork. To ensure this international commitment is honoured, the EU must set legally binding targets which are in line with this level of ambition.

**We, the undersigned, support the below proposals, and call on the European Commission, European Council, European Parliament and EU member states to support these proposals:**

- **Introduce legally binding targets for EU member states to collectively achieve a 50% reduction in EU food loss and waste by 2030 (not lower ambition targets below 50%)**
- **These legally binding targets should require 50% reduction in all food loss and waste from farm to fork (including a 50% reduction for primary production, manufacturing, catering, retail and household sectors within scope of the delegated decision on EU food waste measurement)**
- **Launch a review of expanding the scope of food waste measurement and targets by EU member states to include edible food left unharvested or used on farm at primary production (currently excluded under the delegated decision)**

## Signatories:





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