

A Successful Model to fight Food Waste

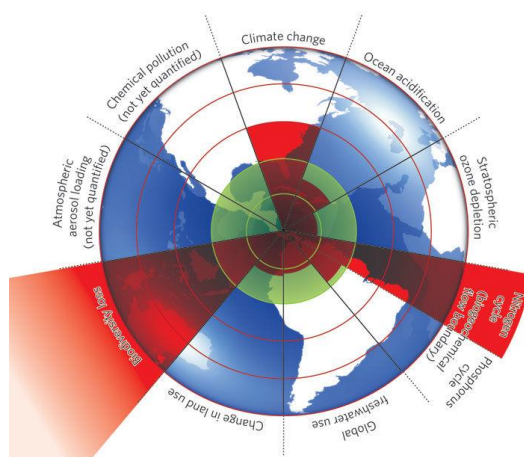
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Drivers for change



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Towards a circular economy in food

- Catalyse and accelerate the **Transition** in the Netherlands, Europe and globally towards a **Circular Food System**.
- Activities are focussed on **Prevention** (design) and **Reduction** (innovation) of **Food Waste**. And the highest possible **Utilisation** of (unavoidable) food waste and side streams.
- By organising and developing frameworks for action, **Business case** development, create proof of concepts, develop impactful **Solutions**, deliver actions and monitor **Progress**.



Ambitions

- Ambition **SDG 12.3**: towards 50% reduction of food loss & waste in 2030. Indicator: reduction of food loss and waste (kg) across the food supply chain.
- Contribute to the reduction and mitigation of **Greenhouse Gas emissions** (climate change, Paris Agreement) and other environmental impacts (water, land use, biodiversity).
- Increased **food security** (in emerging/developing countries) by reducing post-harvest losses, better food for more people (access to food).



Anti food waste movement

The Guardian



Nearly half of all fresh potatoes thrown away daily by UK households

Figures show nearly 6 million potatoes a day are wasted, at a cost of £230m a year

Nearly half of the edible fresh potatoes bought by UK householders each day are thrown away - 5.8 million of them per day, and at a "staggering" annual cost of £230m, figures show.



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Food waste – latest estimate EU-28

EU-28
PRODUCES



88 MILLION
TONNES
of food waste per year

amounting to an estimated

143 BILLION
EUROS

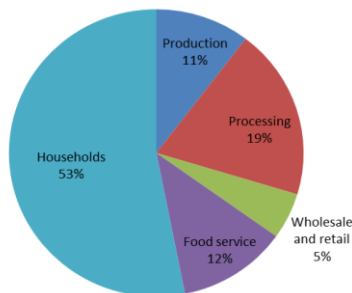


For more information on data and quantification, access the March 2016 FUSIONS reports "Estimates of European Food Waste" & "Food Waste Quantification Manual to monitor Food Waste Amounts and Progression"



173 kg pro-capita
food waste

- Equivalent of **20%** of all produced food in EU
- **143** billion euros
- ~ **304 Mt CO2 eq** (6% of total emissions of GHG in EU28%)

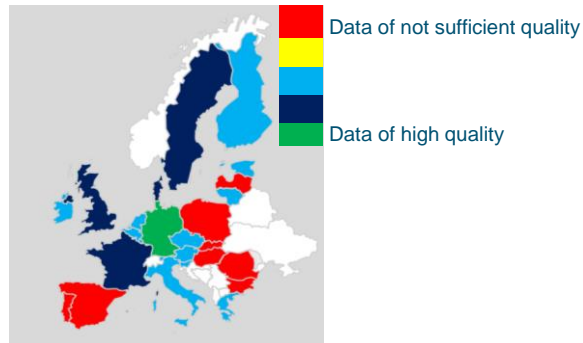


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European policy Arena; What's happening

Policy Commitments: SDG12.3, Circular Economy Package

- Monitoring of food waste at MS level
Building on EU-FUSIONS, Eurostat and FLW protocol
- An EU platform food loss & food waste (public/private)



European policy Arena; What's happening

- Harmonisation of food donation guidelines
- Date labelling (study private sector practices, review terminology, annex products with no expiration date)
- Support former foodstuffs utilisation as animal feed
- European Court of Auditors report



European policy Arena, Member States actions

Collaborative models with Multiple Approaches (& mixed models)

- Enforced by legislation
 - France (law to “oblige” donation by supermarkets)
 - Italy (facilitate donation, incentives)
 - UK (Groceries Code Adjudicator, fair trading practices)



European policy Arena, Member States actions

- Voluntary agreements (already running for some years):
 - Courtauld Agreement (UK), Sustainable Food Alliance (NL), Format/Mattvet (NO), Chain Roadmap (BE)
- Urban City (Milan Urban Food Policy Pact, Amsterdam Metropolitan Solutions)



1.2Mt
Packaging and
Food Waste
prevented

3.3Mt | **£1.8bn**
CO₂e saved | saved

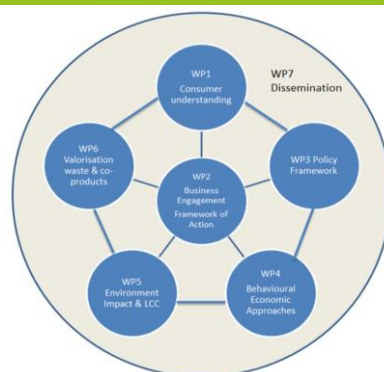




Resource Efficient Food and dRink for the Entire Supply cHain (2015 – 2019)

26 partners, 12 countries

Multi stakeholder platforms: the Netherlands, Germany, Spain, Hungary, China



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The REFRESH Project

A central ambition of the REFRESH project is to develop a 'Framework for Action' model that is based on strategic agreements across all stages of the supply chain (backed by Governments), delivered through collaborative working and supported by evidence-based tools to allow targeted, cost effective interventions.



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The Netherlands, Cooperation with industry

- Cooperation between industry (sector organisations) and government since 2009
- Joint agenda on reduction food waste
- 2014 year against food waste



Rijksoverheid



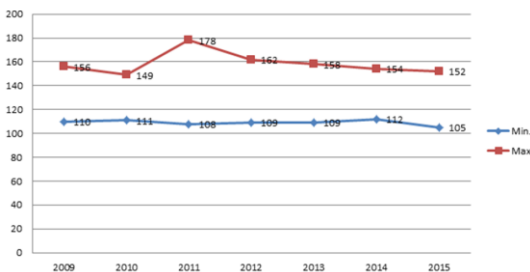
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The Netherlands, time for a next step

Food waste across supply chain (kg.pp.py)



- Food waste losses on political and business agenda
- Awareness
- Lots of individual actions (research, campaigns, new business models)
- But: no 20% reduction
- New phase



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UNITED AGAINST FOOD WASTE

WHAT IS THE TASKFORCE?

Prevention and reduction of food waste is a crucial part of achieving a circular economy. All partners in the Taskforce Circular Economy in Food will collaborate and accelerate to minimize food waste, both across the food chain and by consumers, and to contribute in a transparent manner to this aim.

WHY JOIN FORCES TO COMBAT FOOD WASTE?



A third of the world's food is lost or wasted every year.¹

1/3



Food waste in Europe causes 6% of all greenhouse gases emitted through human activity.²



Wasting less food = helping to achieve climate goals and ensuring there is enough valuable food for the growing global population.

That is equal to **105-152 KG** per capita annually in the Netherlands.³

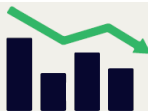
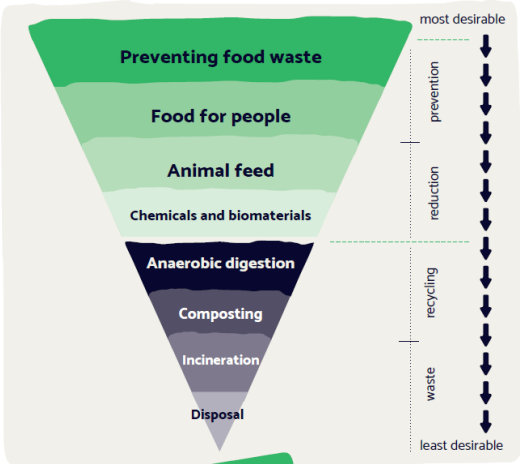
2015 - 2030
50% reduction

OUR OBJECTIVES

In a joint effort, we aim to make the Netherlands one of the first countries to cut food waste in half. We will make the Netherlands a leader and a global role model in terms of realizing Sustainable Development Goal 12.3.

The focus of the Taskforce

The Taskforce focuses on reducing food waste throughout the entire food chain. We will accomplish this by preventing and reducing as much food waste as possible and creating value from side flows according to the "Moerman Food Use Hierarchy".



1. Monitoring progress and impact: The Taskforce measures the effects of its individual and joint approach.



3. Joining forces to combat food waste by consumers: The Taskforce aims to achieve sustainable changes in behaviour through campaigns, interventions and living labs.

The Taskforce acts in four distinct ways:



2. Joining forces to combat food waste across the food supply chain: Taskforce members and leaders combine their strengths, networks and knowledge to develop innovative solutions.



4. Changing the rules: The Taskforce promotes the legislation and instruments needed to create a circular economy.

**WOULD YOU
LIKE TO
PARTICIPATE?**
Join the Taskforce!

SAMEN TEGEN VOEDSELVERS PILLING.NL

¹FAO, Global Food Losses and Food Waste—Extent, Causes, and Prevention, 2011.

²FUSIONS, Criteria for and baseline assessment of environmental and socio-economic impacts of food waste, 2016.

³Wageningen Food & Biobased Research, 2017, Monitor Voedselverspilling, update 2009-2015, rapport nummer 1747.

Taskforce Circular Economy in Food



National Frameworks for Action



Ecosystem for implementation & action



Dutch Champions 12.3 event 20 Maart 2018



Business pilots on Surplus Food concepts



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Do we stimulate the right options ?

THE PIG IDEA
LET THEM EAT WASTE

FEED BACK

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ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT OF FOOD WASTE RECYCLING

	Pig feed (wet)	Pig feed (dry)	Biogas	Compost
Damage to the ozone layer	Green	Green	Orange	Red
Carcinogens	Green	Green	Orange	Red
Non-carcinogenic toxins eg heavy metals	Green	Green	Orange	Red
Ionizing radiation	Green	Green	Orange	Red
Photochemical oxidant formation	Green	Green	Orange	Red
Global Warming Potential *	Green	Green	Orange	Red
Freshwater eutrophication	Green	Green	Orange	Red
Marine eutrophication	Green	Green	Orange	Red
Terrestrial eutrophication	Green	Green	Orange	Red
Eco-toxicity	Green	Green	Orange	Red
Fossil fuel depletion *	Green	Red	Green	Orange
Depletion of other non-renewable resources	Green	Green	Orange	Red
Acidification	Green	Green	Orange	Red
Particulate matter emissions	Green	Green	Orange	Red

* The Global Warming Potential and fossil fuel depletion calculations use the current UK energy mix. If renewable energy were to be used for the processing of the feed, feed would score better on these aspects.

ENVIRONMENTAL BENEFITS

MOST

LEAST



A scenario analysis

Co-products



Food-waste



Marginal land



14 g protein per day



3 to 7 g protein per day

21 g protein per day

60 g protein needed
Livestock important role in global food supply

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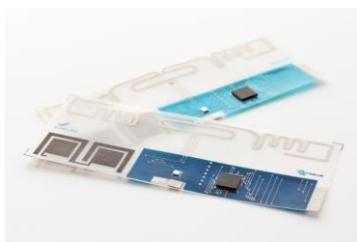


Hannah van Zanten, Feed sources for livestock

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Technology & ICT as a game changer

Smart monitoring



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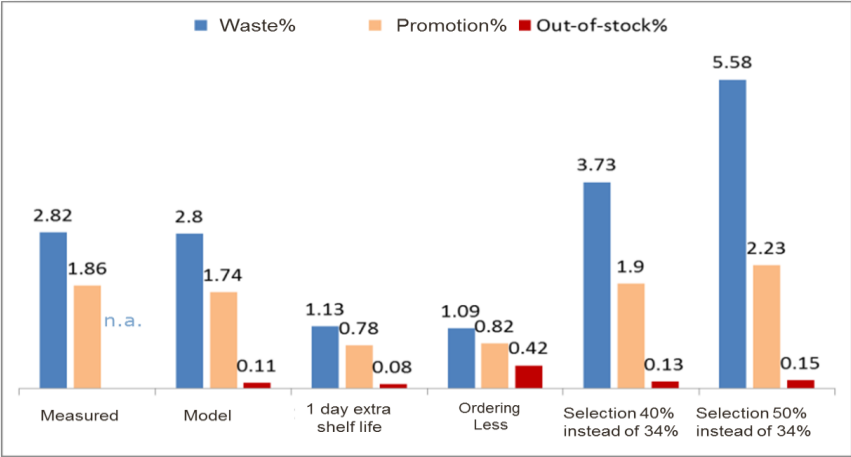
Decision Support modelling

Scenario's	Vegetable chain		Meat chain	
	Retailer	Producer	Producer	Retailer
Change of production season	X	X		
Variation in keep ability / shelf life	X	X	X	X
Variation order unit (combined with 'change of production season')	X	X	X	X
Variation temperature	X	X	X	X
Variation customer demand		X		
Waste vs. Out-of-Stock	X			X
Effect of promotions	X			X
Effect of other (better, smarter) order policies	X	X	X	X

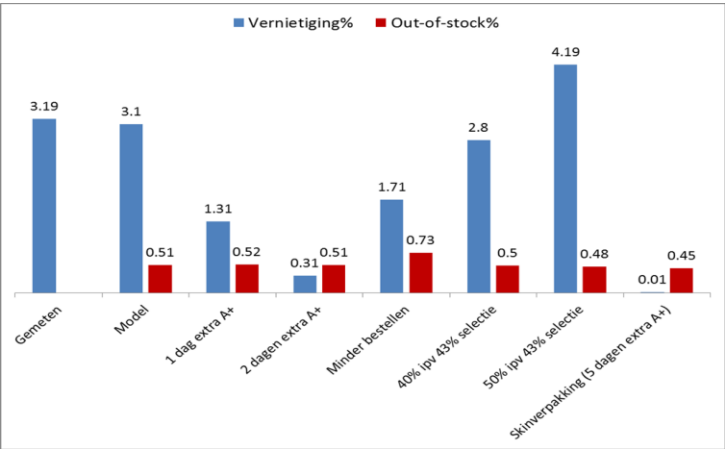


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Decision Support modelling, iceberg lettuce



Decision Support modelling, packed pork meat



New business models



"business case" of FLW

1. SAVE MONEY

An analysis of 700 companies in 17 countries found that investing in food loss and waste reduction yielded a 14-fold return.

COMPANIES

-	+
EVERY \$1 INVESTED	YIELDS \$14 IN RETURN
Measuring waste	Selling imperfect produce
Training staff	New products
Buying storage equipment	Reducing waste management costs
Changing packaging	Avoiding cost of food not sold



CHAMPIONS 12.3

2. FIGHT HUNGER

The world throws out **1 billion tons** of food each year while **1 in 9 people globally** remain malnourished.



3. CURB CLIMATE CHANGE

Food loss and waste produces **8% of global greenhouse gas emissions**; if it were its own country it would be world's **third-largest emitter**.



4. CONSERVE RESOURCES

It takes a **China-sized amount of land** to grow food that's ultimately lost or wasted.



5. IMPROVE REPUTATION

Reducing food loss and waste improves relationships with customers, vendors and other stakeholders.



6. COMPLY WITH LAWS

Government agencies and companies sometimes must adhere to regulations on disposing organic waste, including food.



7. UPHOLD ETHICS

Executives, staff and consumers increasingly recognize food loss and waste reduction as **'the right thing to do.'**





Frameworks for action, some systemic aspects

- **Transparency** (Target, Measure, Act), Actions & Monitoring progress
- Supply chain **collaboration** (forecasting, utilisation & circular business models), value chains & **responsibility**
- **Externalities** & balance in economic, ecologic & social-economic impacts
- **Policy coherence** (e.g. biofuels – prevention should come first)
- **Economic & legal frameworks** (food -> feed, food -> food)
- Commitment for a collective **consumer driven** action program (harmonised consumer insights research)



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