

### **Summary**

- 1. What is the Transition Pathway for the agri-food industrial ecosystem?
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Transition pathway for the agri-food industrial ecosystem - European Commission (europa.eu)



# Relevant EU initiatives in Agri-food

The European Green Deal

Farm to Fork Strategy

The EU Code of Conduct on responsible food business and marketing practices

**Biodiversity Strategy** 

**Bioeconomy Strategy** 

Blue economy Strategy

Common Agricultural Policy (CAP) / Common Fisheries Policy (CFP)

**EU New Industrial Strategy – Industrial eco-systems** 



# **Industrial Ecosystems in the EU**





# What is the agri-food ecosystem?



Green and Digital transition Launched on 11 March 2024

Agri-food Industrial Ecosystem

all operators in the food supply chain (farmers, cooperatives, fishers, food industry, food retail and wholesale, and food service) and their suppliers of inputs and services

Agri-food industry

Agriculture and farming, and food processing; (NACE A + NACE C10-C12)



# What is the agri-food transition pathway?

#### It is...

- ✓ a joint vision for the future of the EU agri-food ecosystem
- ✓ the result of a co-creation process among stakeholders
- ✓ a concrete and actionable plan for the resilience, sustainability and digitalization of the EU agri-food ecosystem

#### It is not...

- ✓ meant to substitute on-going work and consultations on legislative proposals and other policy action
- ✓ an assessment of existing legislation

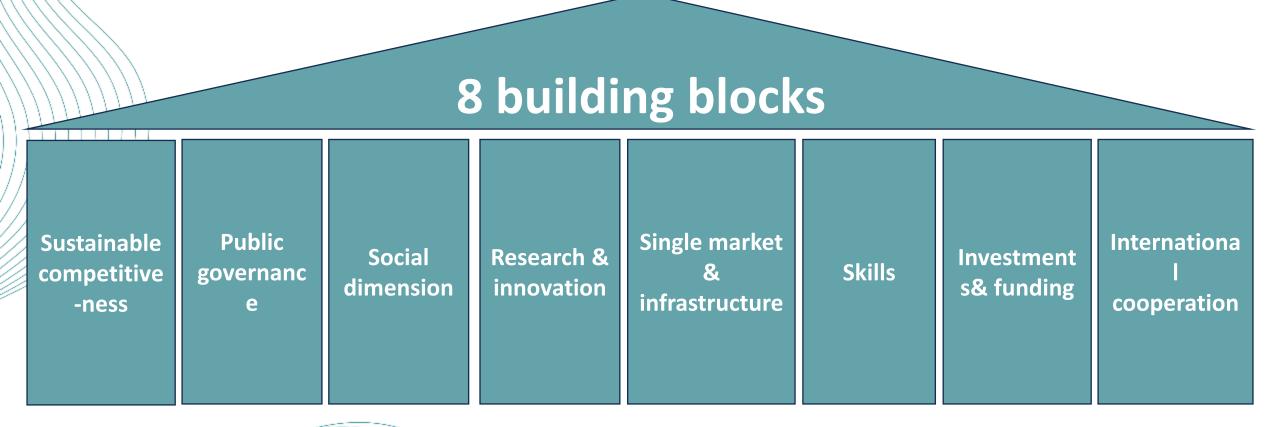


### **Co-creation process of the Agri-Food Transition Pathway**





#### Transition pathway for the agri-food industrial ecosystem



Each chapter contains background, co-creation input & actions



# **Investment and funding**

Increase awareness of the investment needs

Showcase company sustainability transition success stories on Transition Pathway Platform (TPP)

Share information about funding and financing opportunities (mapping)

Local, regional or national schemes to overcome barriers to funding and investments

Provide information on agri-food-focused incubators and accelerators to support SMEs

EIC Accelerator Work Programme 2025



## Mapping of EU Investment and funding opportunities (2023)

\*Information from Transition Pathway for the agri-food industry report Annex 1

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Programme	Lead EC Service	<b>Definitions (2021-2027)</b>	Quantities
САР	AGRI	EAFRD + MS. Mostly agriculture	€ 35 billion
CFP	MARE	EMFAF + MS. Fisheries	€ 6.1 billion
<b>Cohesion Policy Funds</b>	REGIO	ERDF, CF, ESF, JTF. All sectors	€ 1.2 trillion (€ 7 billion)
ESF+	EMPL	Employment, education, skills. All sectors	€ 99.3 billion
RRF	MS / RECOVER	NextGeneration EU (Grants and loans). All	€ 0.7 trillion (€ 6.7 billion)
TSI	REFORM	Demand driven. All sectors	€ 0.86 billion
InvestEU	ECFIN	EIB Group (EIB+EIF). Access to finance. All	€ 26.2 billion
SMP / COSME	GROW / EISMEA	SMEs. All sectors.	€ 4.2 billion
Horizon Europe	RTD	Research and Innovation. All sectors	€ 95.5 billion (€ 9 billion)
HE Pillar 3	EIC	Innovation including scale up. All sectors	€ 10.1 billion
HE Pillar 3	EIT	EU + Private. R&I. Some sectors. EIT-Food	€ 3 billion (€ 431 million)
LIFE	ENV	Environment. Some sectors	€ 4.43 billion
Digital Europe	CNECT	Digitalisation. Some sectors	€ 7.59 billion
Erasmus+	EAC	Education and training. All sectors	€ 26.2 billion

### **Next steps**

Budget is allocated to create a **Transition Pathway Stakeholders Support Platform** (DG GROW)

3 years – extendable to 6 years

Budget is allocated to support a contractor for development of contents (DG GROW)

2 years – extendable to 4 years

Alignment particularly with the EU Code of Conduct (DG SANTE)

Synergies particularly with the **SFS Partnership** and **EIT-Food** (DG RTD)

Synergies with other DGs to take into account (AGRI, ENV, EMPL, MARE...)

Synergies in the International dimension (INTPA, UN FS Summit platform)



# The Transition Pathway Stakeholders Support Platform

Online Stakeholders support platform with different functionalities (examples):

- Pledges submission by stakeholders
- Best practices sharing
- One-stop shop for information (e.g. funding, legislation)
- Linked to other ecosystems
- Food system approach



