

# Achieving sustainable food systems in the EU

March 7<sup>th</sup>, 2019, Hotel Crowne-Plaza, Brussels  
Final workshop of the research project SUSFANS



## Morning sessions: Metrics, drivers and models. Results & reflections

10:00	Parallel session 1 – Sustainable food supply	Parallel session 2 – Sustainable diets
10:00 – 10:15	Introduction	Introduction
10:15 – 10:35	Food systems metrics and visualisation	Food systems metrics and visualisation
10:35 – 11:15	Current status and reflection on monitoring. Focus: Assessing environmental /economic sustainability of food supply	Current status and Reflection on monitoring. Focus: Assessing food consumption in EU and related health and environment trade-offs

## 11:15 – 11:35 Coffee break

11:35 – 12:00	Future challenges and opportunities: Foresight on EU food supply towards 2030.  Growth, technology and trade: What challenges and opportunities for climate change, biodiversity, sustainable & healthy diets?	Future challenges and opportunities: Foresight on EU food consumption towards 2030.  Consumer preferences & choice: What challenges and opportunities for climate change, biodiversity, sustainable & healthy diets?
12:00 – 12:30	Reflection	Reflection

## 12:30 – 13:30 Lunch break

## Afternoon session: An integrated perspective on the EU's food systems. Science meets policy

13:30 – 13:50 Reporting from the morning session & meeting of perspectives:

What are the key challenges and opportunities from the perspective of sustainable food supply and sustainable diets?

*Brief reflection on the morning sessions by the moderators*

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*The Young SUSFANS Food Systems Academy, Interviews with the SUSFANS*

*PhD students*

13:50 – 14:15 Towards a more sustainable food supply and sustainable diets in the EU: Recommendations from the SUSFANS project.

14:15 – 15:00 World Café session: table discussions on the key recommendations

Themes for discussion:

- Need for greater coordination of national food consumption patterns at EU level, informed by a monitoring of diets in all EU Member States against a reference sustainable diet.
- Better manage trade-offs across and within nutrition & health, environmental protection, viable business and equity through aligning food policy in the EU and Member States.



14:15 – 15:00 World Café session: table discussions on the key recommendations:

Themes for discussion (continued)

- Combine incentive-driven strategies, innovation and directive instruments across the food supply system to transform the consumer food environment.
- EU Common Agriculture and Fisheries Policies can contribute to push sustainability in the EU diet; however in the context of open markets and trade (intra/extra-EU); the current policy brings few benefits in terms of nutrition and health of the population at large.

15:00 – 16:20 Panel debate “Setting the table” :

Reflection from a panel of European Commission and stakeholders on SUSFANS recommendations regarding sustainable food.

Plenary feedback from the world cafe session.

Reflection from key stakeholders e.g.: EFSA, DG SANTE, Danish Veterinary and Food Agency, DE Environment, DG Clima, World Business Council for Sustainable Development, DG RTD, EU Federation of Associations of Dieticians, DG AGRI, DG MARE, IPES Food, EIT Food4Life

16:20 Closing comments from moderator & project coordinator

16:30 Networking reception

17:45 End of networking reception

19:30 Departure for Den Haag (for SUSFANS consortium)

### Workshop objectives

- Report main results to decision-makers and researchers in the public and private sector. Test the ability of the SUSFANS metrics framework and foresight to inform different perspectives on sustainable food systems and healthy diets in the EU.
- Provide examples and suggestions for private and public policy action on sustainable food systems and healthy diets in the EU at the level of the European institutions.
- Make a contribution to an evidence-based policy discussion on food systems transformation at EU level. Discuss how and by whom the SUSFANS framework of analysis and core results of the project could be taken up.

### Registration & more information

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