



EU action to reduce and prevent food waste

Facilitating hospitality sector

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Webinar: Food waste management in Tourism
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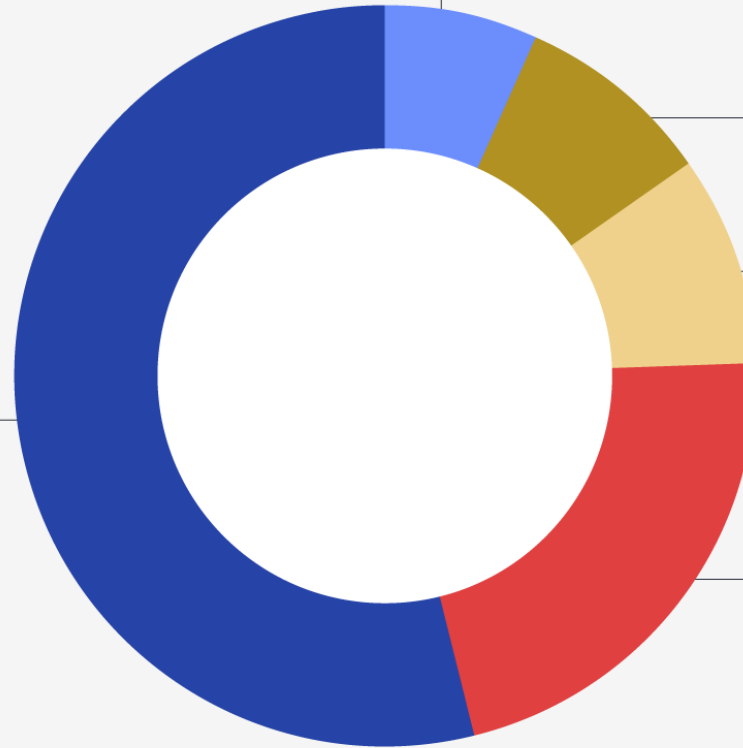
Latest data on food waste (source: Eurostat 2021)

Food waste in the EU by main economic sectors, 2021

(kg per inhabitant)

TOTAL: 131 KG PER INHABITANT

70KG
HOUSEHOLDS



9KG
RETAIL AND OTHER
DISTRIBUTION OF FOOD

11KG
PRIMARY PRODUCTION

12KG
RESTAURANTS
AND FOOD SERVICES **9%**

28KG
MANUFACTURE
OF FOOD PRODUCTS AND BEVERAGES

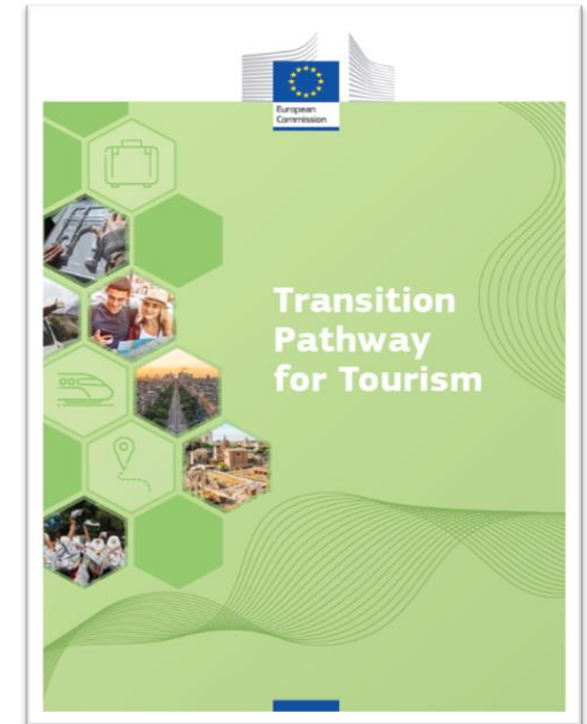
Data not available: Czechia, Germany, Greece, Spain, Cyprus, Malta, Romania.
Due to roundings, the sum of the values for the categories does not match the total.

Food waste in the EU: key numbers and impacts



- **16% of total GHG** from EU food system (254 million tonnes of CO₂)
- **132 bn EUR** in associated market value; **9.3 bn EUR** for waste collection and treatment
- **Unnecessary spending:** 4-person household could save about 400 EUR/year
- **Ethical dimension:** over 37 million EU citizens cannot afford a high-quality meal every second day

EU policy basis



Green transition: circular tourism services

EU food waste reduction targets



Legislative proposal adopted by the Commission on 05 July 2023

Part of the [revision of the Waste Framework Directive](#) (+textile waste)

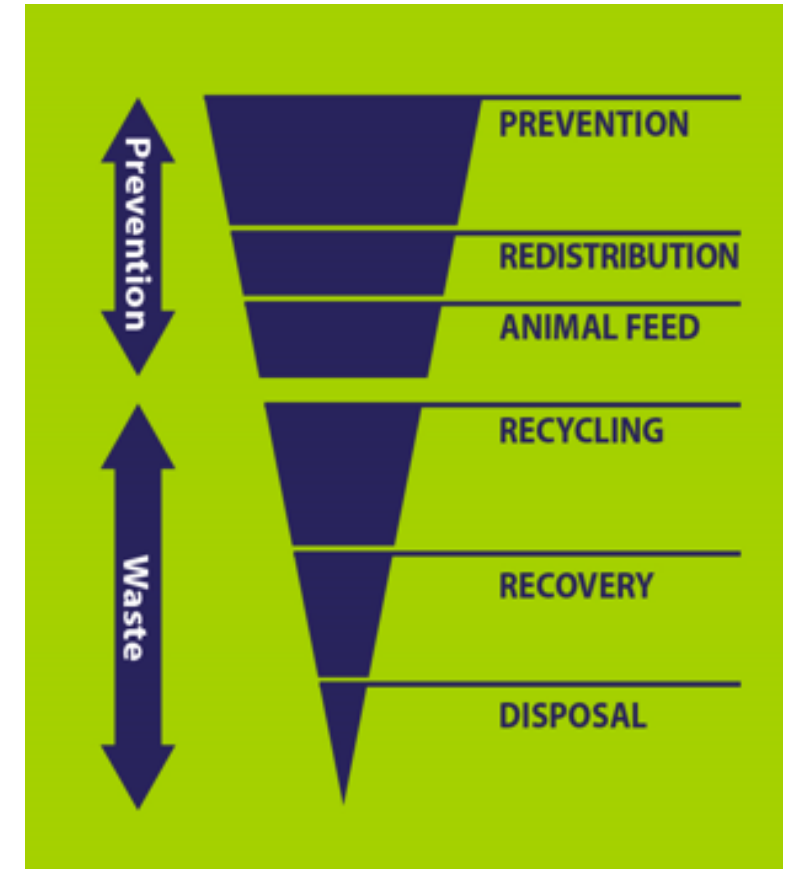
The proposal:

- establishes target levels
- includes a revision clause
- requires actions by Member State countries

Ongoing negotiations with the EP and the Council of the EU

Food waste prevention: building on the EU toolbox

- **Legal obligations** for Member States to reduce, measure and monitor food waste
- **Common EU methodology** to measure food waste consistently
- **EU Platform** on Food Losses and Food Waste
- **Facilitate food donation**
 - EU food donation guidelines
- **Optimise safe use of food in feed**
 - EU guidelines on feed use of food no longer intended for human consumption



Toolkit to reduce consumer food waste from the European Consumer Food Waste Forum

Check out the [website](#):

- See what type of action you can take -> **action planner**
- calculate the impacts of your action -> **food waste prevention calculator**
- Learn how to design, implement and evaluate an action -> **video tutorials**
- Read the recommendations of the experts -> **leaflets** (in all EU languages)

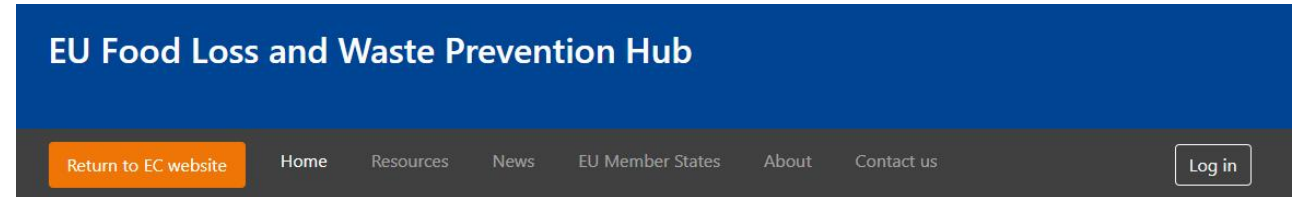


Scale up action and mobilise key players across the EU



Grants for projects to reduce consumer food waste (Single Market Programme)

Total budget: 4 million euros
Apply before 25 September!
Further information on the
[Funding & Tenders portal](#)



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Thematic Partnership on Food



[Food | UAEU \(urban-initiative.eu\)](https://urban-initiative.eu)

Sustainable Tourism Draft Action Plan Summary



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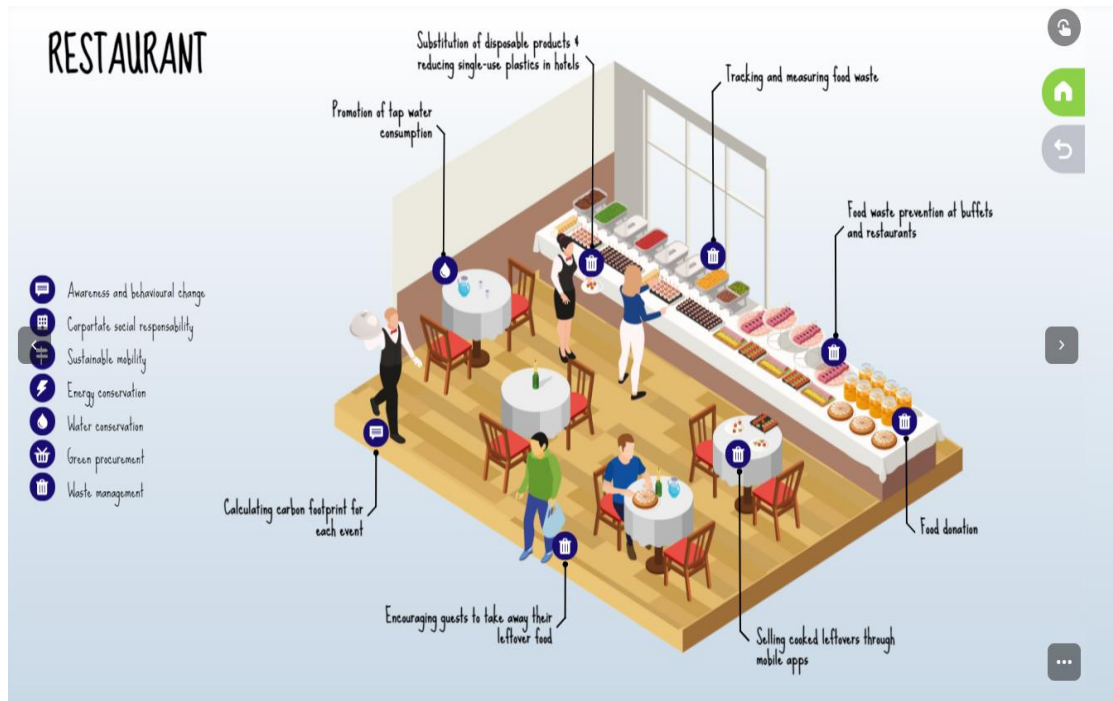
EU projects supporting food waste prevention in hospitality



[TOURISME Project \(tourisme-project.eu\)](https://tourisme-project.eu)

Supporting implementation of digital tools for tourism (restaurant sector)

<https://restwith.eu/>



More on food waste:



https://ec.europa.eu/food/safety/food-waste_en



https://ec.europa.eu/food/safety/food_waste/eu-food-loss-waste-prevention-hub/



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