

LEGISLATIVE FRAMEWORK FOR A UNION SUSTAINABLE FOOD SYSTEM





Objectives

- The current EU regulatory landscape is not equipped to enact the shift to sustainable food systems. A **framework law** is therefore **needed to create the capacity to change all the constituent parts of food systems, where necessary** (a systemic approach).
- The FSFS will create **the foundation for future policies** to deliver on food sustainability **a policy enabler**, such as the Climate Law for energy & climate.
- It will provide a **common understanding of what sustainability is** and entails for all policies, actors and operations in the food system.
- It will strengthen **resilience** and crneate the conditions to address the drivers of food security in the long term.

For the environment

- Building blocks of FSFS to ensure that **food system actors** contribute to the reduction of the climate and environmental footprint of the EU system
- Beneficial impact on climate change, biodiversity loss, and natural degradation

For society

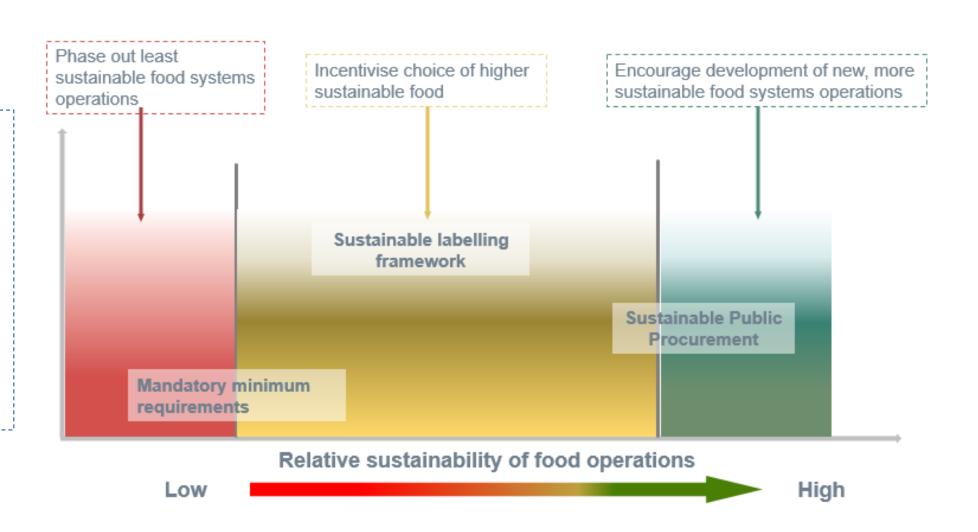
- Benefits on consumers' health and quality of life; reduction of health-related costs for society
- Creation of a favourable food environment that makes it easier for consumers to choose healthy and sustainable diets

For the economy

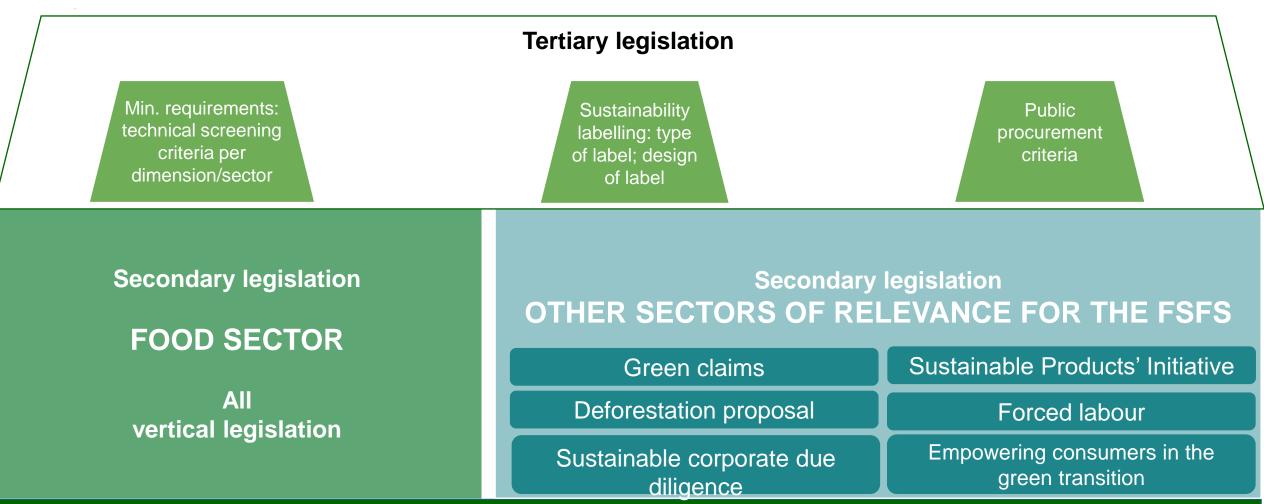
- Tackle economic sustainability across the value chain, for all actors
- Unlock the potential of the EU food system by ensuring stability, legal certainty and investment security
- Improve the valorisation of sustainability in the EU agri-food chain

Push and pull measures

- Common definitions
- General objectives
- General principles
- Governance provisions to frame and encourage multilevel engagement



Development of FSFS tertiary law and interplay with secondary legislation



FSFS:

A framework regulation setting **objectives**, **definitions**, **general principles and requirements and necessary empowerments** for a **sustainable food system** that guarantees the **long-term viability** of the EU food system.

Timeline and next steps

Steps	Timeline
Consultation on the Inception Impact Assessment	28 September 2021 – 26 October 2021
JRC reflection paper "Concepts for a sustainable EU food system"	31 January 2022
Open public consultation	28 April 2022 – 21 July 2022
JRC inception report	29 April 2022
Workshops with EU agencies and institutions (EP, EESC, CoR)	May 2022 – October 2022
Upstream meeting RSB	13 June 2022
Revised inception report	6 July 2022
Targeted surveys for business operators, NGOs and public authorities	18 July 2022 – 26 September 2022
Interviews with stakeholders	July 2022 – September 2022
SMEs survey	31 August 2022 – end October 2022
Stakeholder workshops	29 September 2022 –18 October 2022
Delivery of the interim report by JRC	30 September 2022
Delivery of the draft final report by JRC	15 December 2022
Submission of the final SWD to the RSB	15 February 2023
RSB meeting	15 March 2023

Thank you







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