



Das Europäische Projekt FUSIONS zur Vermeidung von Lebensmittelabfällen

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Food Use for Social Innovation by Optimising Waste Prevention Strategies

The overall aim of the project is to **contribute** significantly to the **harmonisation** of food waste monitoring, feasibility of **social innovative measures** for optimised food use in the food chain and the development of a **Common Food Waste Policy** for EU28.

Project duration: 48 months (2012 – 2016)

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Involving 21 partners in 13 countries



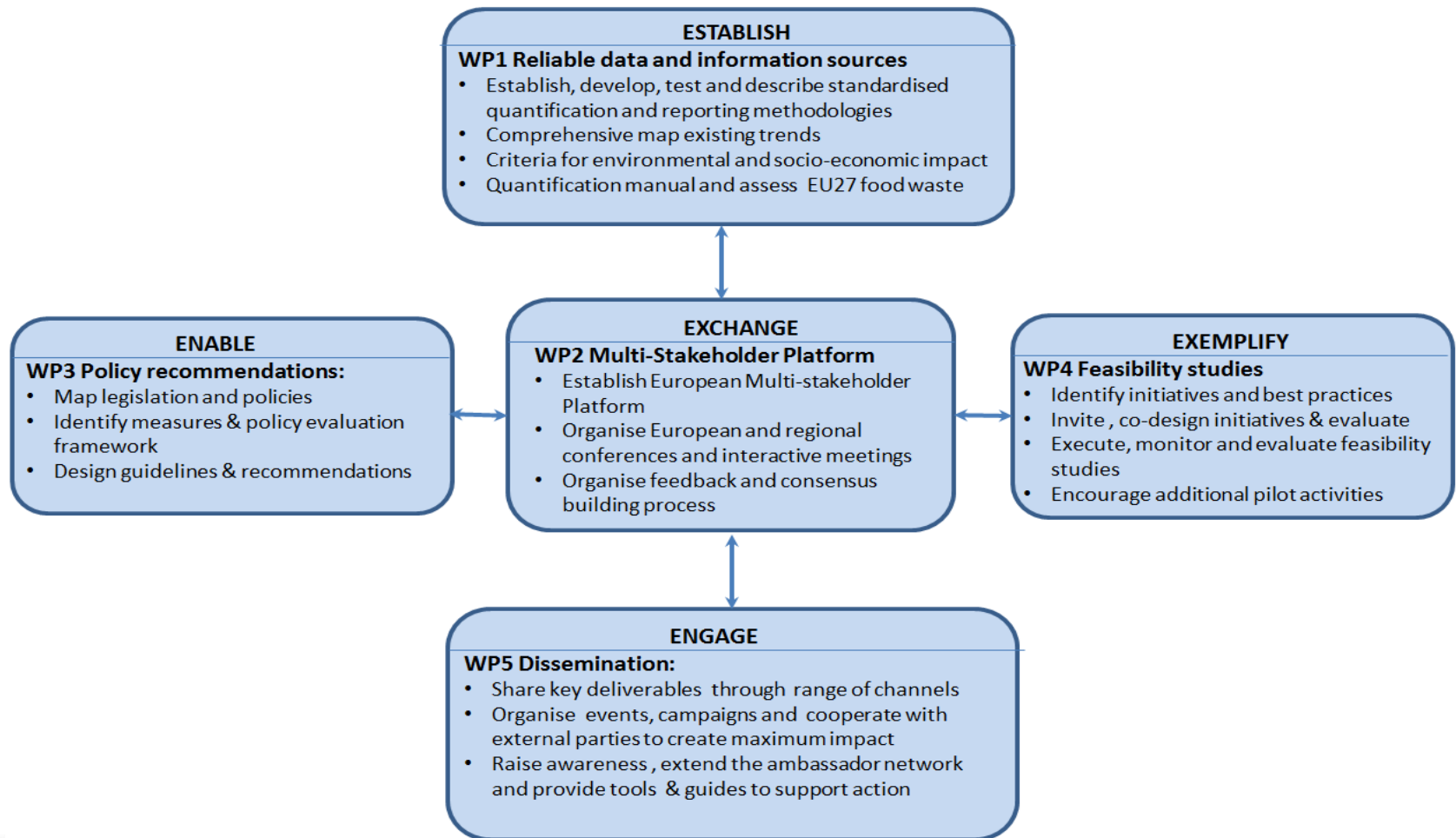
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Project structure



FUSIONS Feasibility Studies

Decentralised Food Donation



Cr-EAT-ive Schools



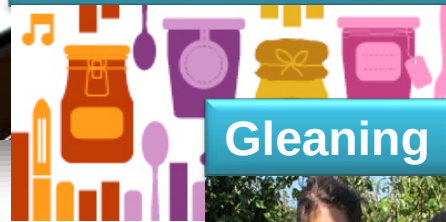
Advancing Social Supermarkets



Food Service Surplus Solution



Disco BôCô



Gleaning Network EU



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FUSIONS Platform Members



Awareness raising events

2013-2014 events in Amsterdam, Copenhagen, Brussels, Barcelona, Tessaaloniki , Warsaw
Example: Feeding the 5000 Brussels
(1 April 2014)

Together with Partners, Feeding the 5000 served up over 6000 delicious lunches all made from ingredients that otherwise would have gone to waste to highlight the positive solutions to the global food waste scandal.



Photo: Julie Feyaerts

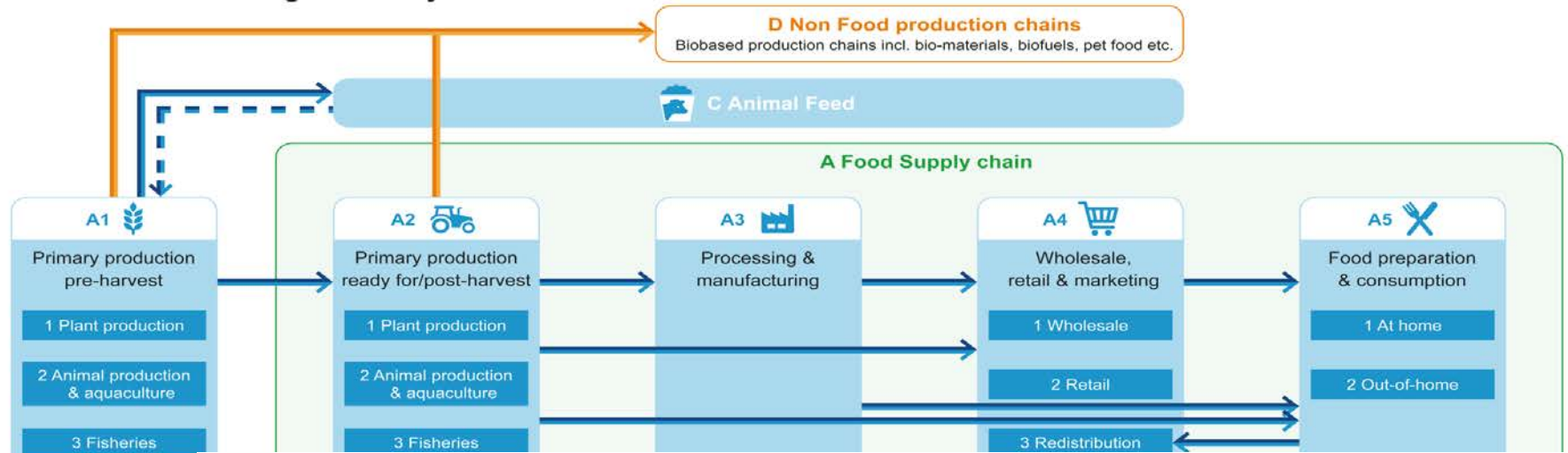


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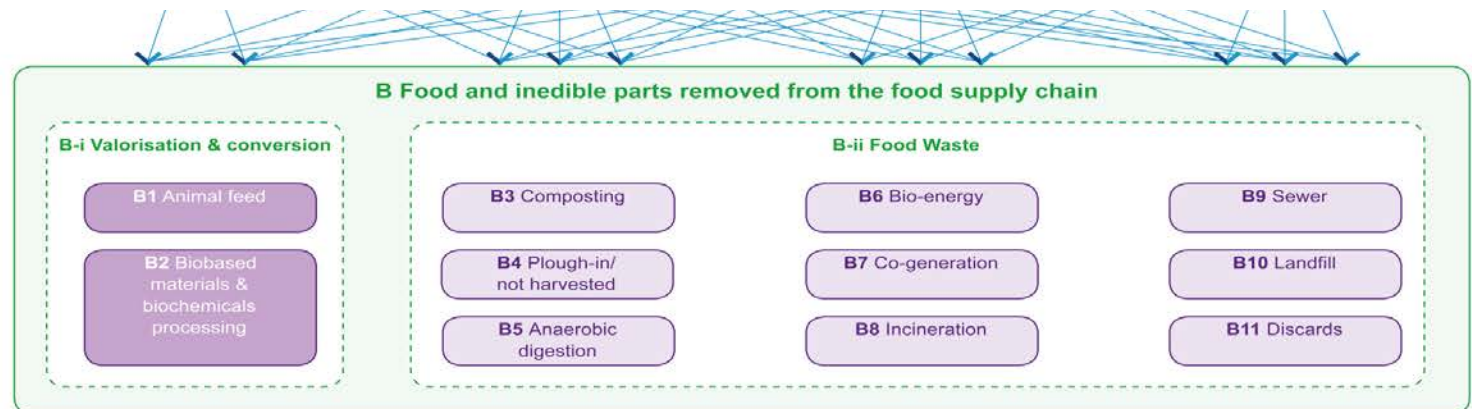


FUSIONS definitional framework

Resource flows in Agri-Food System



Food waste: Any food, and inedible parts of food, removed from the food supply chain to be recovered or disposed to B3-B11, describing different end of life treatments



Source: Östergren et al. (2014)



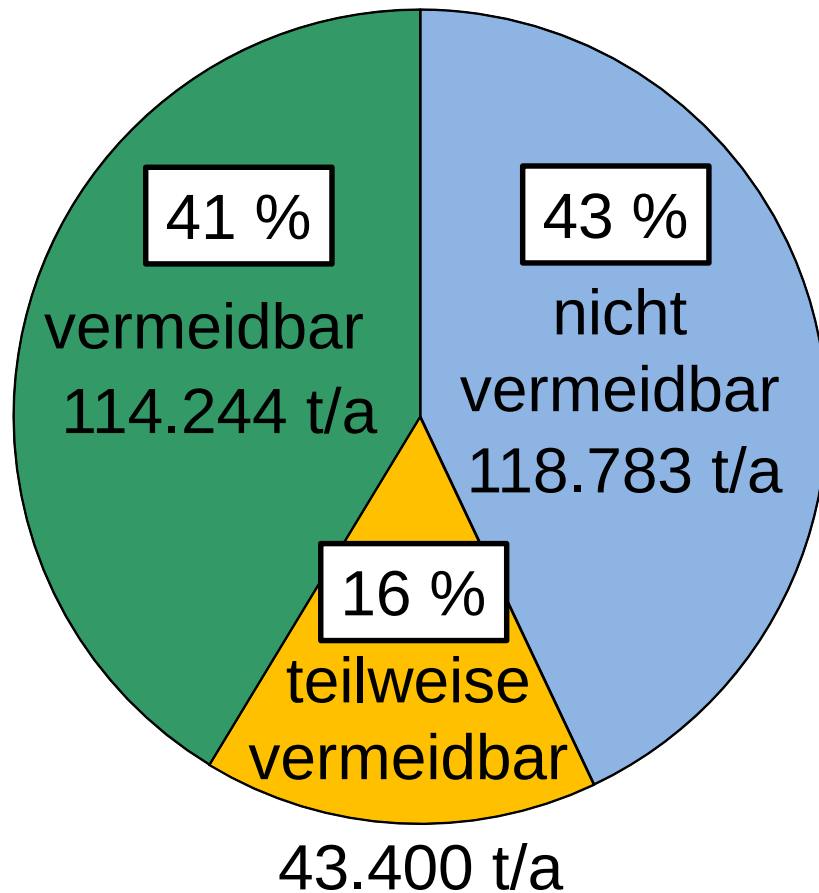
Einteilung hinsichtlich Vermeidbarkeit

- Vermeidbare Lebensmittelabfälle
 - Die zum Zeitpunkt ihrer Entsorgung noch uneingeschränkt genießbar sind oder die bei rechtzeitiger Verwendung genießbar gewesen wären.
- Nicht vermeidbare Lebensmittelabfälle
 - Die im Zuge der Speisenzubereitung entfernt werden (Schalen, Knochen)
- Teilweise vermeidbare Lebensmittelabfälle
 - Mischfraktion oder wenn die Literaturquelle nicht aussagekräftig genug ist.

Quelle: Schneider F., Part F., Lebersorger S., Scherhauser S., Böhm K. (2012): Sekundärstudie Lebensmittelabfälle in Österreich. Endbericht, im Auftrag des Bundesministeriums für Land- und Forstwirtschaft, Umwelt und Wasserwirtschaft, Wien, November 2012

Österreichische Haushalte

Lebensmittelabfälle im Restmüll



Teilweise bzw. vermeidbar sind:

- 14,5 Masse-% d. Restmülls
- 158.000 t/a bzw. 19 kg/EW.a

Entspricht Geldwert von:

- rund 1 Mrd. EUR
- bzw. 116 EUR pro Kopf
- entspricht 6,2 % der Verbrauchsausgaben für Ernährung u. alkoholfreie Getränke

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Datenlage in Österreich

Vermeidbare Lebensmittelabfälle in Österreich

	Landwirtschaft	Produktion	Handel	Außer-Haus-Verpflegung	Haushalt
Datenübersicht	 ?	 ?	 116.300 t/a (Bruch und Abschreibung: 74.100 t; Weitergabe an soziale Einrichtungen: 6.600 t; Retourware: 35.600 t)	 175.000 t/a¹⁾ 156.000 – 258.000 t/a²⁾	 206.990 t/a (Restmüll: 157.650 t; Biotonne: 49.340 t)
Datenquellen	SCHNEIDER et al. 2014 (orientierende Erhebung der Verluste – Befragung von 287 Landwirten, 71 Lieferanten von 24 Obst- und Gemüsesorten)	Keine Zahlen verfügbar	LEBERSORGER und SCHNEIDER 2014 (Beteiligte Unternehmen decken 83% des Marktanteils)	¹⁾ HRAD et al. 2016, www.united-against-waste.at (Berechnungsbasis 49 Betriebe) ²⁾ SCHNEIDER et al. 2012	SCHNEIDER et al. 2012 (Verlässliche Daten zu LM-Abfall im Restmüll; nur grobe Abschätzung zu Abfällen in Biotonne)
Datenlücken	Befragung deckt nur geringen Anteil der österr. Anbauflächen (2016 Fortführung der Erhebung)	getrennte branchenspezifische Erhebung	Großhandel	unvollständige Abdeckung einzelner Sektoren; geringe Anzahl an Datensätzen	weitere Entsorgungswege wie Kanal, Heimkompostierung, Verfütterung
	Geringe Datenlage		Mäßige Datenlage	Ausreichende Datenlage	

Publicly available data EU28 -> many gaps

Country	1. Production (NACE 1-3)	2. Processing (NACE 10-11)	3. Wholesale and logistics (NACE 46)	4. Retail and markets (NACE 47)	5. Redistribution (food donation etc.)	6. Food service (NACE 56)	7. Household
Austria	No data available	Food waste data of low quality	No data available	Data of sufficient quality	Data has been submitted but no estimation of food waste amounts has been made.	Data of sufficient quality	Data of sufficient quality
Belgium	Food waste data of low quality	Food waste data of low quality	Food waste data of low quality	Food waste data of low quality	No data available	Food waste data of low quality	Food waste data of low quality
Bulgaria	No data available	No data available	No data available	No data available	No data available	No data available	No data available
Croatia	Low food waste amounts	Low food waste amounts	Low food waste amounts. Several or major waste flows not being covered.	Low food waste amounts. Several or major waste flows not being covered.	No data available	Low food waste amounts. Several or major waste flows not being covered.	Low food waste amounts. Several or major waste flows not being covered.
Cyprus	No data available	No data available	No data available	No data available	No data available	No data available	No data available
Czech republic	Low food waste amounts without any explanation given	Low food waste amounts	Food waste data of low quality	Food waste data of low quality	No data available	Low food waste amounts. No explanation on what was included.	Several or major waste flows not being covered.
Denmark	Data of sufficient quality	Data of insufficient quality as only edible food waste was reported.	Data of sufficient quality	Very high food waste amounts	No data available	Data of sufficient quality	No information on what was included was retrieved.
Estonia	No data available	Low food waste amounts	Data of sufficient quality	Data of sufficient quality	No data available	Low food waste amounts	Data of sufficient quality
Finland	No data available	Data of insufficient quality as only edible food waste was reported.	No data available	High food waste amounts. No explanation on what was included.	No data available	Data of sufficient quality	Data of sufficient quality
France	Low food waste amounts. Several or major waste flows not being covered.	Data of sufficient quality	High food waste amounts. No explanation on what was included.	High food waste amounts. No explanation on what was included.	No data available	Data of sufficient quality	No information on what was included was retrieved.
Germany	Data of sufficient quality	Data of sufficient quality	Data of sufficient quality	Data of sufficient quality	No data available	Data of sufficient quality	Data of sufficient quality
Greece	Low food waste amounts without any explanation given	High food waste amounts.	Data of sufficient quality	Data of sufficient quality	No data available	Low food waste amounts. No information on what was included was retrieved.	No information on what was included was retrieved.
Hungary	No data available	No data available	No data available	No data available	No data available	No data available	No data available
Ireland	No data available	No data available	High food waste amounts. No information on what was included was retrieved.	High food waste amounts. No explanation on what was included.	Data has been submitted but no estimation of food waste amounts has been made.	Data of sufficient quality	Data of sufficient quality
Italy	Data of sufficient quality	Data of insufficient quality as only edible food waste was reported.	Data of sufficient quality	Data of sufficient quality	No data available	No data available	No explanation given?
Latvia	No data available	No data available	No data available	No data available	No data available	No data available	No data available
Lithuania	Low food waste amounts	Data of sufficient quality	Data of insufficient quality.	Data of insufficient quality.	No data available	Data of insufficient quality.	No information on what was included was retrieved.
Luxembourg	No data available	Low food waste amounts without any explanation given	Data of sufficient quality	Data of sufficient quality	No data available	Low food waste amounts without any explanation given	Data of sufficient quality (excluding sewer and home composting).
Malta	No data available	Data of insufficient quality.	No data available	No data available	No data available	No data available	Data of sufficient quality (excluding sewer and home composting).
Netherlands	No data available	No data available	No data available	Data of sufficient quality	Data has been submitted but no estimation of food waste amounts has been made.	Several or major waste flows not being covered.	Data of sufficient quality (excluding home composting).
Poland	No data available	No data available	No data available	No data available	No data available	No data available	No data available
Portugal	Low food waste amounts without any explanation given	Low food waste amounts. Several or major waste flows not being covered.	No data available	No data available	No data available	No data available	No data available
Romania	No data available	No data available	No data available	No data available	No data available	No data available	No data available
Slovakia	Low food waste amounts. Several or major waste flows not being covered.	Several or major waste flows not being covered.	No data available	No data available	No data available	No data available	No data available
Slovenia	Low food waste amounts. Several or major waste flows not being covered.	No explanation of what was included in the amounts could be given.	Data of sufficient quality	Data of sufficient quality	No data available	Low food waste amounts. Several or major waste flows not being covered.	Park waste and non household MSW are included in the amounts
Spain	No data available	No data available	No data available	No data available	No data available	No data available	No data available
Sweden	Low food waste amounts. Several or major waste flows not being covered.	Byproducts are included in the amounts.	No data available	Data of sufficient quality	No data available	Data of sufficient quality	Data of sufficient quality
United Kingdom	Data of insufficient quality.	Data of sufficient quality	Data of sufficient quality	Data of sufficient quality	No data available	Data of sufficient quality	Data of sufficient quality

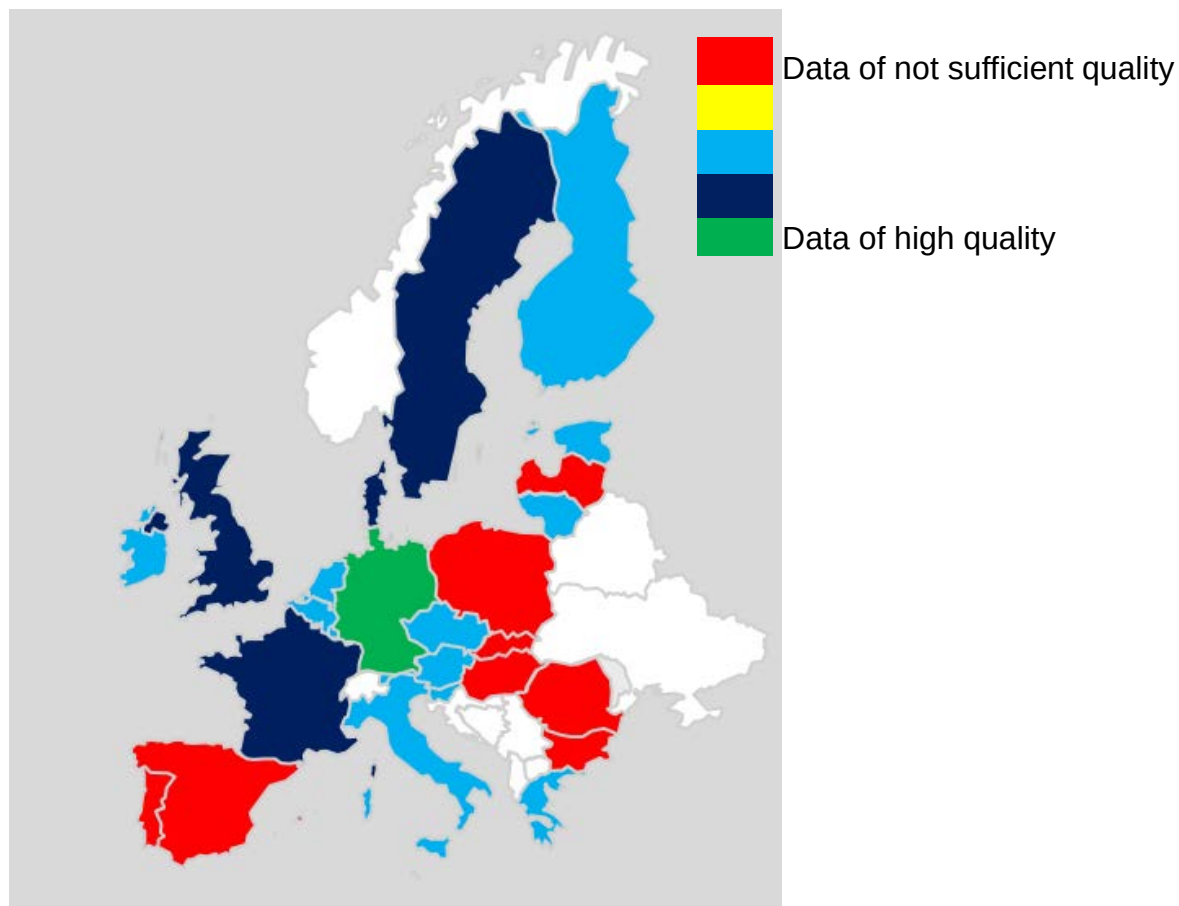


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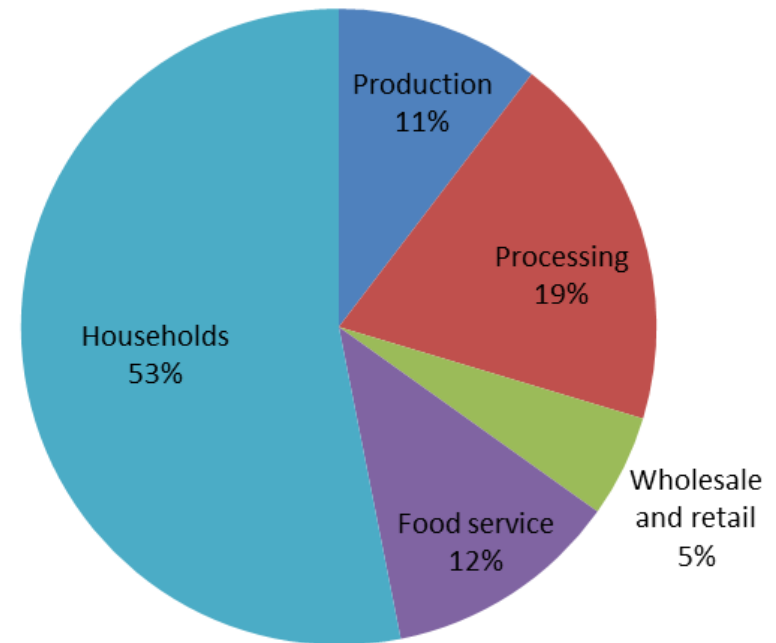
EU 28 has large ambitions reducing food waste

..but the current quantification methodologies are not in phase with the ambition.



Food waste estimates for EU28

- **88 ($\pm$ 14)** million tonnes of food waste per year
- Equivalent of **20%** of all produced food in EU
- **143** billion euros
- **173** kilograms of food waste per person



Source: Stenmarck Å., Jensen C., Quedsted T., Moates G. (2016): Estimates of European food waste levels. Report of the project FUSIONS (contract number: 311972) granted by the European Commission (FP7). ISBN 978-91-88319-01-2



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Food waste quantification manual

- Quantifying food waste in each sector (i.e. stage) of the food chain
- Combining sectorial quantifications using a common framework at national level
- Reporting the results of the national food waste quantification study at country level in a consistent and comparable manner.
- Harmonised with the FLW-protocol



- methodologies and baseline assessment of:

Socio-economic impacts of food waste

- nutritional losses
- impacts on global food prices
- social impacts on food redistribution organisations

Environmental impacts of food waste

- global warming potential
- acidification potential
- eutrophication potential

Source: Scherhauser et al. (2015)

Baseline results of impacts on health and nutrition

Nutrients	Number of people that could meet their recommended intake a day from nutrients present in food waste
Vitamin C	90 resp. 97 million
Retinol equ.	407 resp. 150 million
Total dietary fibre	139 resp. 173 million
Total iron	157 resp. 169 million
Zinc	181 resp. 210 million



- Nutritional data from food composition databases describe edible products only → inclusion of inedible parts necessary
- Data on food product level necessary
- Results are subject to certain biases → a first estimation

Source: Scherhauser et al. (2015)

Socio-economic impacts on global food prices



- Approach: Comparative analysis for a framework paper based on:
 - MAGNET Computable General Equilibrium (CGE) model
 - AGLINK - COSIMO FAO OECD partial equilibrium model and economic framework of FLW literature
- CGE Scenario analysis looked at producers and consumers in EU and SSA
- Assumes inaction in SSA and all things constant/ceter paribus
- no economic cost considered for the implementation of the prevention and reduction of FLW
- policy and awareness raising can influence the outcome

Source: Scherhauser et al. (2015)

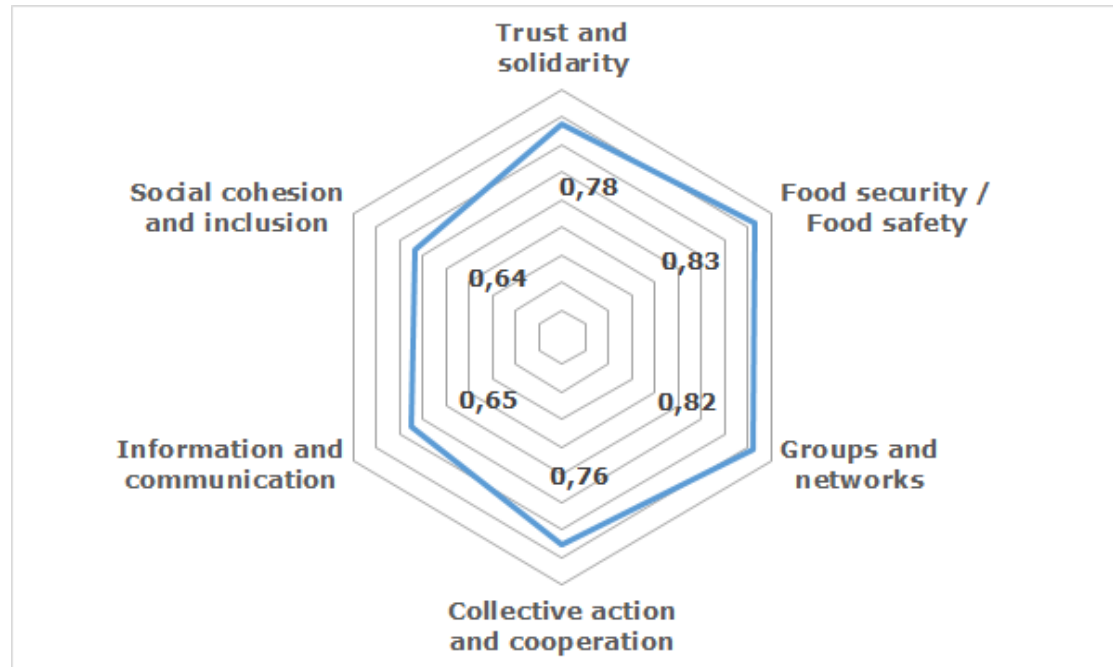


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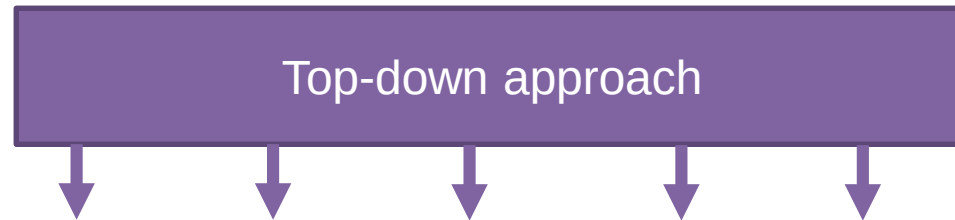


Social impacts of food redistribution

- Methodology: social capital from the World Bank
- Survey sent to 211 food redistribution organisations in Europe
- Response rate of 15%

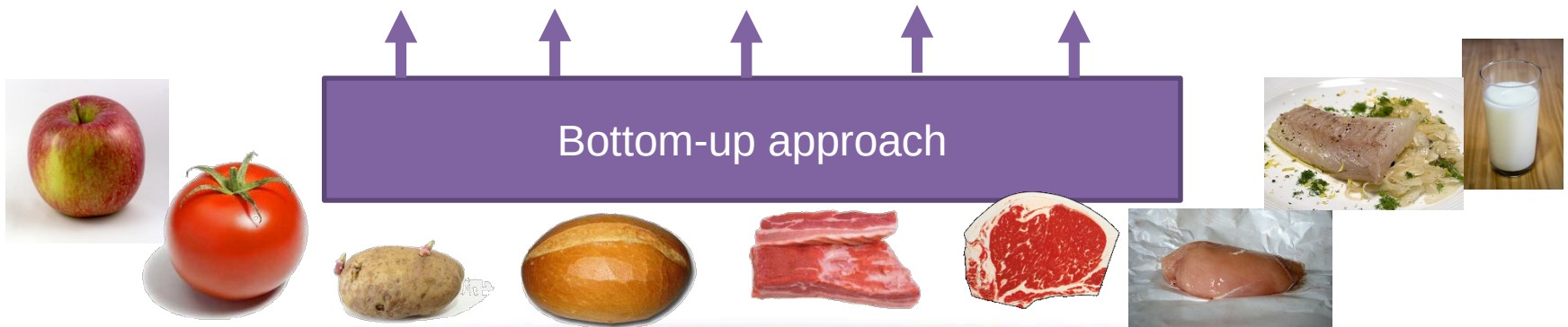


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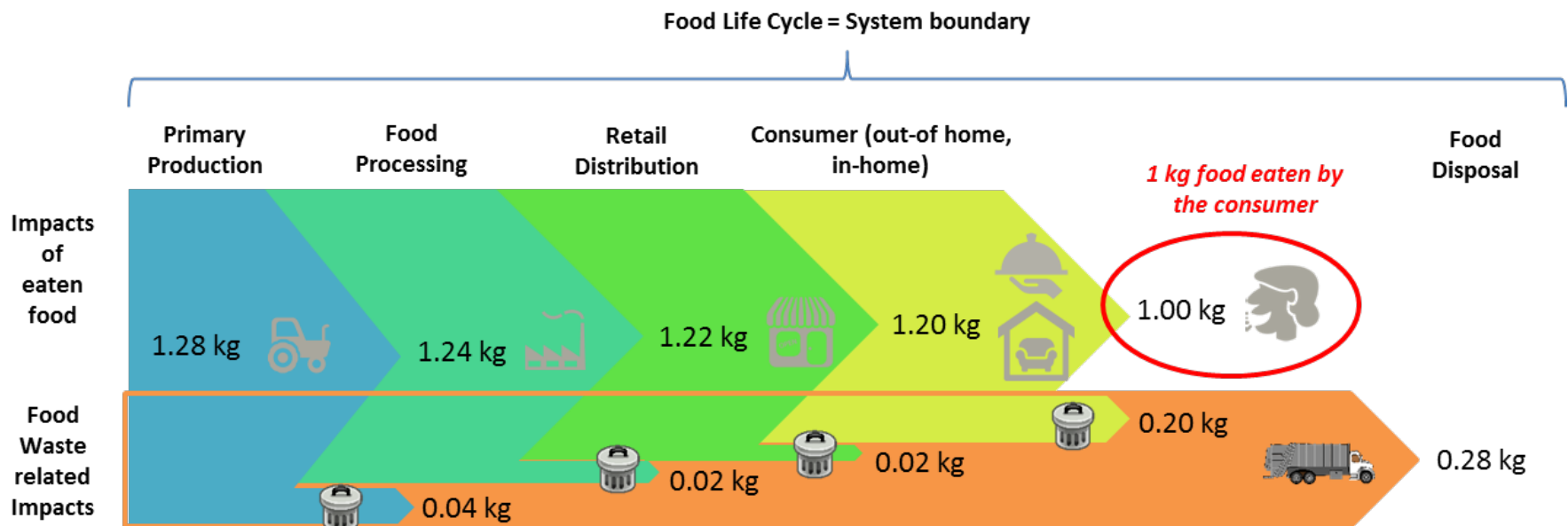
Functional unit:

1 kg food product eaten by the consumer

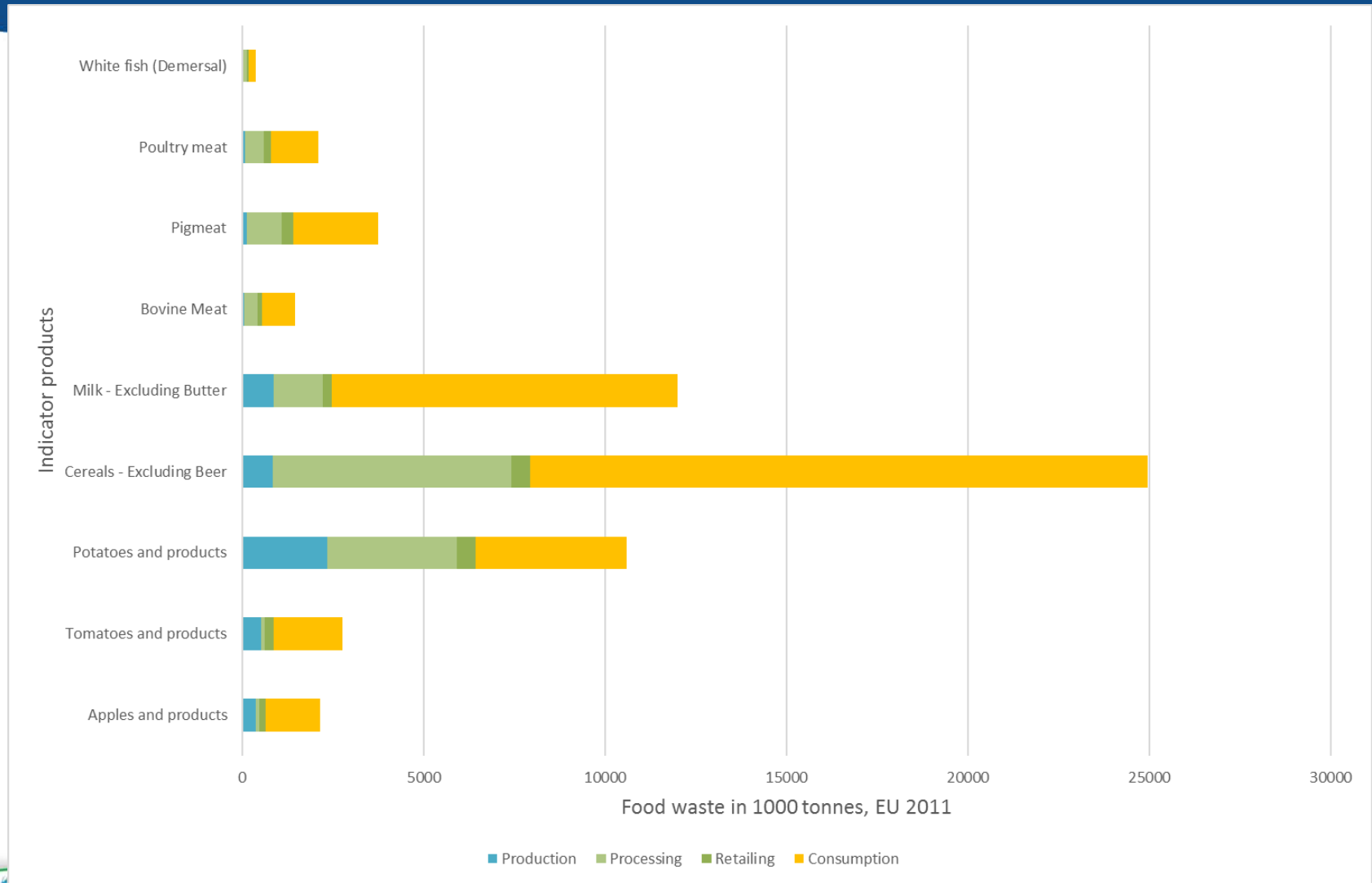


Food Life Cycle vs. Food Waste related Emissions

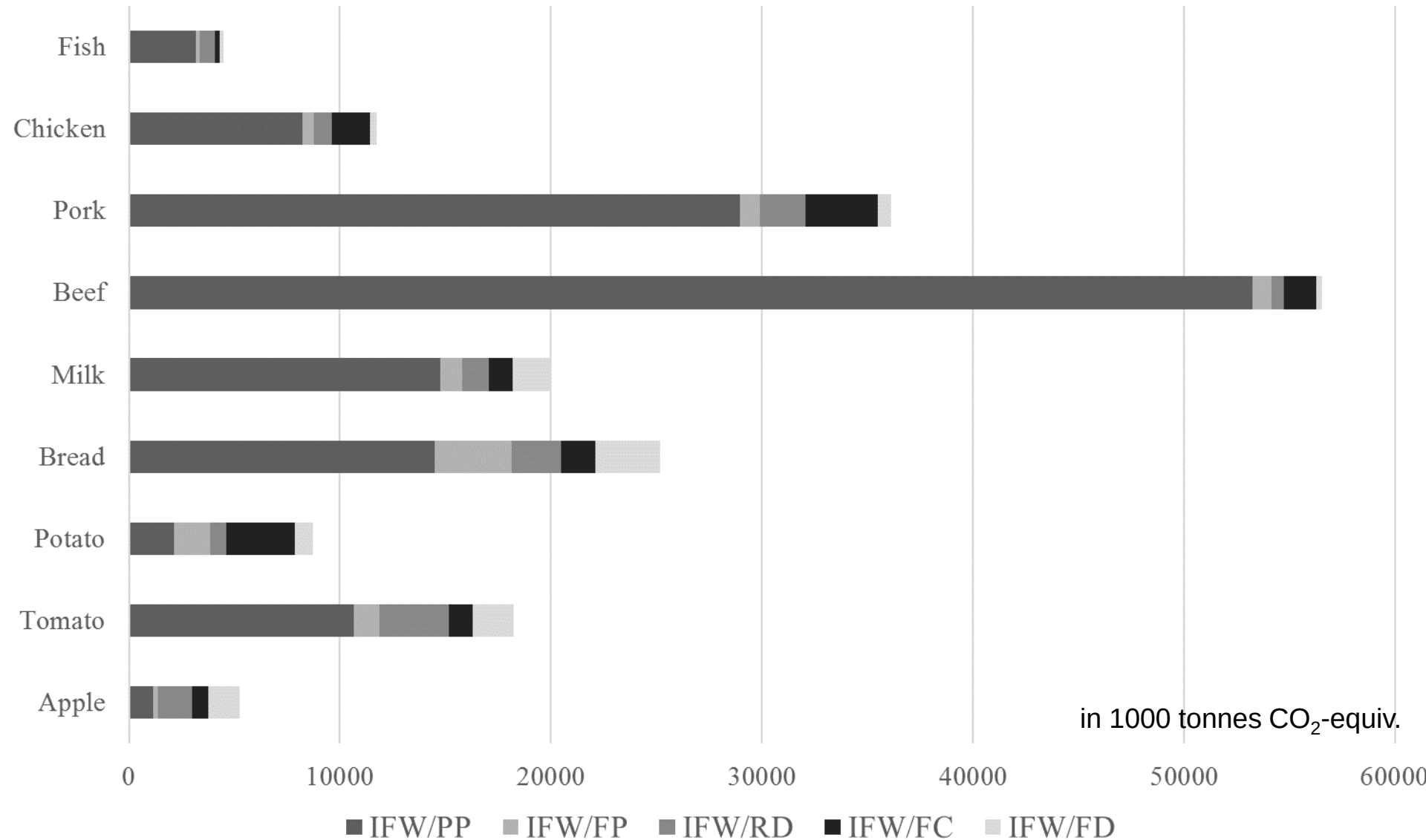
on the example of an apple:



EU Food waste per indicator category

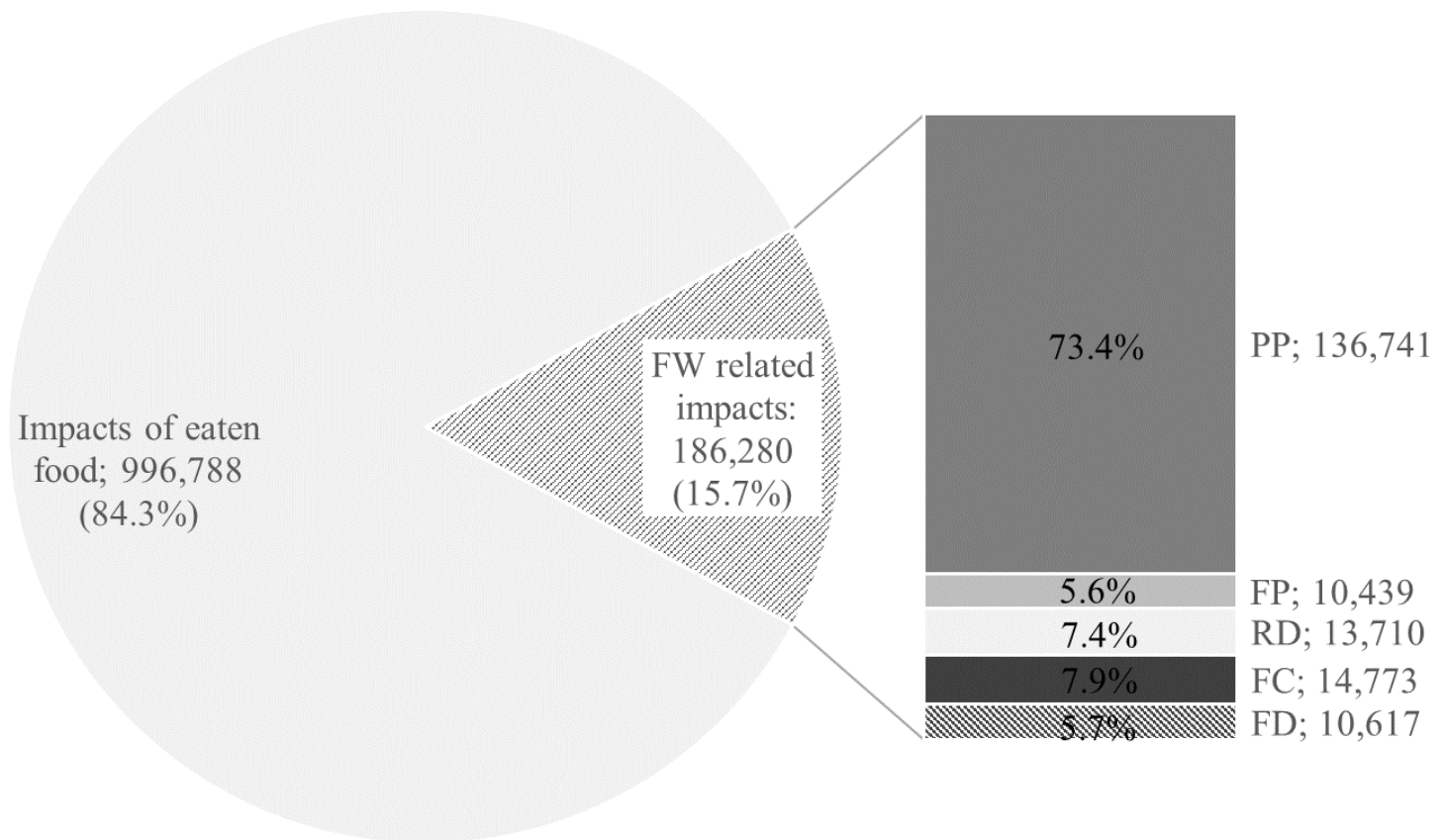


Global Warming Potential



GWP of eaten food and food waste in EU

Global Warming Potential



in 1000 tonnes CO₂-equiv.

Environmental impacts of food waste

Environmental category	Food waste related impacts	Share of impacts from production
GWP in 1000 tonnes CO ₂ -equ.	186,279.96	73%
AP in 1000 tonnes SO ₂ -eq.	1,661.37	94%
EP in 1000 tonnes PO ₄ -eq	737.46	96%

***Food waste related emissions in EU-28 is
approximately the equivalent of Netherlands'
total GHG emissions***



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Policy Recommendations

- Clear and concise LEGISLATION: related to food redistribution (health and safety, environmental health, trading standards, taxation)
- Tools to identify appropriate FUNDING (e.g. via online forum, identify key organisations for financing)
- Build and expand NETWORKS (e.g. to increase visibility of projects)
- DIALOGUE on EU level (via an annual physical or virtual conference)



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Some Highlights: outputs & reports

Outputs (reports):

- Food Waste Drivers
- Feasibility studies + Material
- FUSIONS definitional framework for food waste
- Socio-economic and environmental assessment
- Standard approach on quantitative techniques
→ FUSIONS Quantification Manual
- Policy Recommendation

FUSIONS Website

<http://www.eu-fusions.org/index.php>



FUSIONS Social Innovation projects (reports & resources developed)

<http://www.eu-fusions.org/index.php/social-innovations/fusions-feasibility-studies>

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European responses

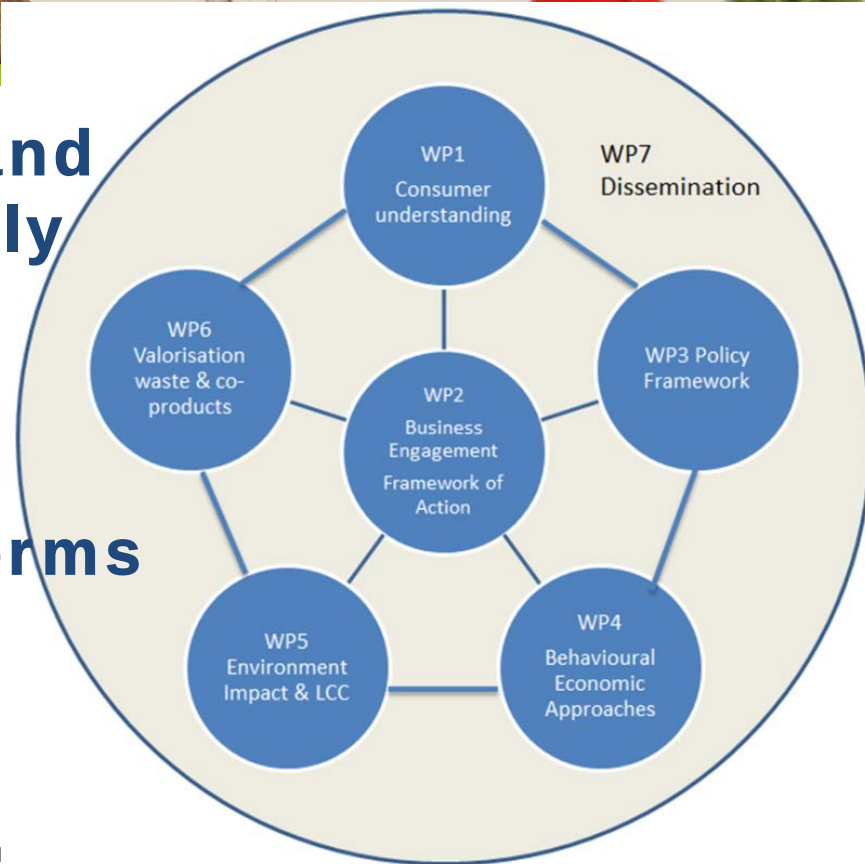
- EC Circular Economy Package (2.12.2015)
Target = Sustainable Development Goal 12.3 by the UN
 - By 2030, halve per capita global food waste at the retail and consumer levels and reduce food losses along production and supply chains, including post-harvest losses
 - Harmonised monitoring





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

- 26 partners
- Multi stakeholder platforms



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Zusammenfassung



- Das Projekt FUSIONS konnte weitere Akteure auf EU-Ebene gewinnen, wichtige Schritte in Richtung Harmonisierung der Erhebungsmethoden setzen, Barrieren zur LM-Reduktion identifizieren, politische Empfehlungen ableiten und eine Abschätzung zu den Mengen und den Auswirkungen liefern.
- Ein Großteil der klimarelevanten Emissionen entsteht in der Produktion. Die Vermeidung von Lebensmittelabfällen kann der globalen Erwärmung entgegen wirken.
- **„Wenn viele kleine Leute an vielen kleinen Orten viele kleine Dinge tun, können sie das Gesicht der Welt verändern.“**

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