European Green Deal Call – Farm to Fork

International Networking Event (H2020 Green Deal) - Workshop 3: **Circular Economy & Food & Zero-Pollution Environment** (23/10/20)

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Topic

- **Title**: LC-GD-6-1-2020 "Testing and demonstrating systemic innovations in support of the Farm-to-Fork Strategy"
- Type of Action: Innovation Action (IA)
- Indicative Budget: EUR 74.00 mln
- **Part of Green Deal Call**: "deliver tangible and visible results relatively quickly and show how research and innovation can provide concrete solutions for the Green Deal main priorities"



Topic – Specific challenge

SOCIAL SUSTAINABILITY



Healthier diets Improve - reduce animal overweight welfare



Social rights Food workers in food affordability chain

ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY



Tackle climate change

Protect the environment



Preserve biodiversity





losses and waste

Circular biobased economy

ECONOMIC SUSTAINABILITY





Fairer incomes for farmers, fishers & aquaculture producers

Just transition



New business & job opportunities



Topic – Scope (1/4)

- Support the deployment and scaling up of innovations that contribute to the objectives of the Farm-to-Fork Strategy
- test, pilot and demonstrate innovative systemic solutions (TRL 5-7) to one of the following six subtopics:
 - A. Achieving **climate neutral farms** by reducing GHG emissions and by increasing farmbased **carbon sequestration and storage**
 - B. Achieving **climate neutral food businesses** by mitigating climate change, reducing energy use and increasing energy efficiency in processing, distribution, conservation and preparation of food



Topic – Scope (2/4)

- C. Reducing the dependence on hazardous **pesticides**; reducing the losses of **nutrients** from fertilisers, towards **zero pollution** of water, soil and air and ultimately fertiliser use
- D. Reducing the dependence on the use of antimicrobials in animal production and in aquaculture
- E. Reducing **food losses and waste** at every stage of the food chain including consumption, while also avoiding unsustainable **packaging**
- F. Shifting to sustainable healthy diets, sourced from land, inland water and sea, and accessible to all EU citizens, including the most deprived and vulnerable groups



Topic – Scope (3/4)

- Proposals requesting from EUR 6 million up to 12 million, under each of these subtopics.
- Grants will be awarded to proposals according to the ranking list... highestranked proposal per subtopic will be funded provided that it attains all thresholds



Topic – Scope (4/4)

- Proposals should focus on systemic innovations
- Proposals should pay **particular attention** to (among others):
 - Apply system thinking
 - Foster collaboration multi-actor and cross-sectoral approach
 - Engage young professionals, SMEs, consumers and citizens
 - Most appropriate mix of innovations
 - Include limited research activities to address specific gaps for solution building, testing and demonstration -understand behaviors, motivations and barriers, with a view to maximizing the uptake of solutions
 - Capitalize on existing testing and demonstration facilities, where appropriate
 - Action plan for dissemination, communication & engagement, for building awareness, education and skills relevant to the solutions on a European scale



Topic – Expected impact

- 1. Demonstrate innovative systemic **solutions** that have the potential to generate significant positive **impacts by 2030**;
- 2. Contribute significantly to the achievement of the objectives and targets of the Farm to Fork Strategy and the European Green Deal;
- 3. Achieve an increase in awareness among policy makers, businesses, investors, entrepreneurs, institutions, stakeholders and citizens of selected innovative systemic solutions, of their potential and of the requirements to promote and realize their uptake at EU scale and behavioral change.



Q&A

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- Before submitting your question, check the Funding & Tenders Portal's FAQs URL: <u>https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/portal/screen/support/faq</u>





