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TOWARDS SUSTAINABLE AGRI-FOOD SYSTEMS

Concluding Remarks

Sli.do: FOOD2030



**Sli.do voting on the biggest
challenge**

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What is the biggest challenge?

Results from the voting in the introductory session





Concluding remarks

- **Goal: Use research to support the transformation of agri-food systems towards sustainability**
- **Food systems perspective brings members of different disciplines and research communities together**
 - **Agricultural scientists** - deal with food production and trade
 - *Research subjects:* Farming systems (crops, livestock, soils, etc.), farmers and trade/markets – focus on climate effects, environmental challenges and economics;
 - **Nutritionists** - deal with on food consumption
 - *Research subjects:* Consumers - focus on nutrition and health challenges, especially related to double burden;
 - **Food technology specialists** - deal with food items and processing
 - *Focus on new food sources and technological innovations*



Looking forward – challenging ahead

- **Designing research projects that bring the different perspectives together to provide practical solutions**
 - from multi-disciplinary to interdisciplinary and transdisciplinary perspectives.
 - Ensure that project funding and incentives are well aligned with this goal!
- **Paying more attention to the social dimension of food system sustainability**
 - Recognize the challenges caused by growing inequality!
- **Acknowledging the role of the private sector**
 - Companies - from small to multi-national - are key players in the food system!
 - How to deal with them?
- **Analyzing strategies and policy instruments that will make sure that change will happen!**
 - Examples: * Common Agricultural Policy of the EU
 - * Policy instruments to influence consumer behavior
 - Including the analysis of policy processes into the research agenda



Follow up

- **Documentation of the Food 2030 Congress on the website**
- **Formulation of a Position Paper (“White Paper”)** – to be distributed on the website and to
 - European Commission
 - European Parliamentarians
 - *Goal:* Ensure a strong role of food systems research in Horizon Europe
 - German Parliamentarians (organization of an event on the topic) and
 - German Government: BMBF (research) and BMEL (agriculture)
 - *Goal:* Increase attention to food systems in the national research agenda and in German funding to the EU

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