



**CA22134 - Sustainable Network for agrofood loss and waste prevention, management, quantification and valorisation (FoodWaStop)**

WG2 Agrofood loss and waste management  
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- Over 450 members
- Members from all European countries and Armenia, Azerbaijan, Algeria, Brasil, China, India, Jordan, Kenya, Morocco, New Zeland, Pakistan, South Africa, Tunis, United States,



# Tasks

- **Task 2.1.**
- T2.1.1 To identify different management strategies, create round tables, develop collectively new scenarios, determine appropriate new sustainable strategies, and build consensus on potential new solutions;
- T2.1.2 Establish links between conventional and organic farming to inform farmers that alternative or biological control can be usefully applied;
- T2.1.3 Develop a FLW think tank;
- T2.1.4 Create a platform for knowledge brokerage innovation.

## **Task 2.2.**

- T2.2.1 Evaluation the potential to use new innovative strategies to control postharvest decay and loss.

# Activities

- A2.1 At least **10** in-person and online meetings with multidisciplinary group experts, from COST and non-COST Countries, with the focus being to share best practices of management with innovative techniques (bio-based products) safe for consumers and for the environment; - **ongoing**
- A2.2 At least **4 training programmes** to improve production, postharvest, and logistics management; - **ongoing**
- A2.3 Consumer campaigns: awareness and information for households to support training to prevent FW, and aimed at changes in consumer habits (e.g., reduced portion size, tray-less meals).

# Deliverables

- D2.1. Protocol of best practices to reduce FLW (M28)
- D2.2. Guidelines for sustainable food systems (M48)
- **D2.3. Review of publications on agrofood loss and waste management (M24)**

# Achievements

- Decision to concentrate on review of publications in the first year and to set up four subgroups:
  - Fruits
  - Vegetables
  - Cereals
  - Animal production



# Achievements

- Deliverable 2.3 has been achieved, a review on literature on the management of food loss in cereals in postharvest. Other subgroups are working on their contributions
- The Animal Production subgroup produced 3 review papers, two of which has already been accepted for publication The cereals subgroup produced 1 review paper,
- The “Fruit subgroup” and the “Vegetable subgroup” are working on their review papers
- Cooperation in training in Thessaloniki in May 2025



# Things to do in the next period

- Deliverable 2.1 is in delay. The work will start at the meeting in Zadar. Based on review of publications the best practices will be collected and arranged in protocol.
- Deliverable 2.2 is the most demanding. The working group will be proposed in Zadar and will start to work and network with subgroups and teams working on review of literature

Thank you!