

The FEFAC Feed Sustainability Charter 2030 includes five ambitions, providing a common view of the European feed industry on key objectives to further improve *feed sustainability*. The Charter contains a large range of feed sector actions and animal nutrition solutions that can help increase the sustainability of livestock farming operation. By signing the FEFAC Charter, FEFAC and its members support common and country-specific actions in response to growing market expectations as well as to increased societal demands expressed in the EU Green Deal Objectives and the UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDG's).

**FIVE FEED SECTOR AMBITIONS TO CONTRIBUTE TO MORE SUSTAINABLE LIVESTOCK AND AQUACULTURE PRODUCTION**

1. Contribute To Climate-Neutral Livestock & Aquaculture Production Through Feed
2. Foster Sustainable Food Systems Through Increased Resource & Nutrient Efficiency
3. Promote Responsible Sourcing Practices
4. Contribute to Improving Farm Animal Health & Welfare
5. Enhance the Socio-Economic Environment and Resilience of the Livestock & Aquaculture Sectors

The feed sector holds an important “pivotal” role in enhancing the sustainability of both animal and arable production, bringing solutions to issues related to reducing GHG emissions, nutrient leakage, antimicrobial resistance and deforestation. An essential contribution of compound feed manufacturing is the uptake of human inedible feed, including co-products from the food & Biofuel industry which will be presented as a key indicator in future Progress Reports.

<b>State of the Feed Sustainability Journey</b>	<b>FEFAC Charter Annual Progress Reports</b>
<p>Priority setting on feed sustainability may vary significantly between FEFAC member associations. The Charter concerns common ambitions and national-specific objectives. FEFAC members are invited to take the FEFAC Charter as a key reference for the development of national Charters / Sustainability Roadmaps, highlighting the specific national challenges and sectoral solutions. FEFAC and its members will invest in additional indicators to measure progress in the journey on feed sustainability.</p>	<p>For FEFAC and many of its members, the launch of the Charter is a starting signal to set the path for continuous improvement and measure meaningful progress that will contribute to sustainable livestock production and aquaculture sectors. In the road towards 2030, FEFAC will publish annual Feed Sustainability Charter Progress Reports to follow up on how FEFAC and its members are advancing on the specific ambitions.</p>

**Ambition I) Contribute To Climate-Neutral Livestock & Aquaculture Production Through Feed**

FEFAC and its members are committed to facilitate the uptake of the EU Product Environmental Footprint Category Rules (PEFCR) Feed for Food-Producing Animals and the Global Feed LCA Institute (GFLI) Database through the creation and dissemination of educational material and the organisation of expert training workshops and webinars.

**Ambition II) Foster Sustainable Food Systems Through Increased Resource & Nutrient Efficiency**

FEFAC remains committed to reporting on the Feed Conversion Rates for all farm species at EU-aggregated level as a key indicator to measure environmental performance.

FEFAC is committed to measure and report on the share of human inedible feed use in the European compound feed industry in the first FEFAC Feed Sustainability Charter Progress Report in 2021, using the FAO methodology.

**Ambition III) Promote Responsible Sourcing Practices**

FEFAC is committed to upgrading its Soy Sourcing Guidelines by January 2021, thereby contributing to the mainstream market transformation of a responsible, deforestation-free soy supply chain.

FEFAC is committed to collecting and published EU aggregate data based on FEFAC membership estimates on the amount of soy used in the feed industry that can be considered responsibly produced and deforestation-free.

**Ambition IV) Contribute to Improving Farm Animal Health & Welfare**

FEFAC is committed to stimulating the potential for animal nutrition solutions to reduce the need for antibiotics, thus providing a tool in the fight against Antimicrobial Resistance.

FEFAC is committed to promoting the implementation of Good Hygiene Practice all along the feed chain and to keep its guidance on biosecurity updated with a view to assist operators in the feed industry to set up a biosecurity plan.

**Ambition V) Enhance the Socio-Economic Environment and the Livestock & Aquaculture Sectors' Resilience**

FEFAC contributed to the collection of data on actual emissions and identification of Best Available Techniques (BAT) and is committed to contribute to future reviews.

FEFAC is committed to communication initiatives to counter misinformation about the livestock sector, in particular "myths" about animal feed production.