

Food and nutrition security – Feedback on Qualitative mapping

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The aim is to ensure the strategic level of production in the main agricultural commodities of the geographical zone.

It is about securing the food self-sufficiency in basic foods at a sufficient volume level and nutritional self-sufficiency. Ensuring food self-sufficiency will reduce transport costs and environmental costs and will lead to the healthier rural life and better nutrition (fresh food).

It is important to increase the efficiency and competitiveness of the food industry creating prerequisites for increasing the supply of safe, high quality and affordable food to the consumers and provision of non-productive functions of food industry in the field of rural development, improving relations to the environment and reducing energy intensity of food logistics.

Ambitions:

- Ensuring food security and improve the impacts of agriculture on natural resources
- Increasing the supply of safe, high-quality and affordable food to consumers
- Emphasis on improving food safety and consumer protection
- Environmentally-friendly growth in food efficiency and productivity
- Development and use of knowledge of scientific and technological developments
- Promoting food research and implementing its results in practice, including collaborative projects within product chains.
- Research on food safety, functional foods.
- Cooperate on common agricultural policy and trading rules.
- Improving consumer awareness of healthy eating and nutrition in line with a healthy lifestyle, with an emphasis on qualitative production parameters and the transfer of health information to the consumer.

Gaps:

- Climate change - worsening production conditions
- Avoiding losses in the food chain and minimizing food waste
- Increase productivity of food industry
- Better cooperation between agriculture and food industry, suppliers and trade companies
- Better cooperation between food industry and research
- Better european and global collaboration in research of new food

The Czech Technology Platform for Foodstuffs plays an important role in fulfilling the above-mentioned ambitions.

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