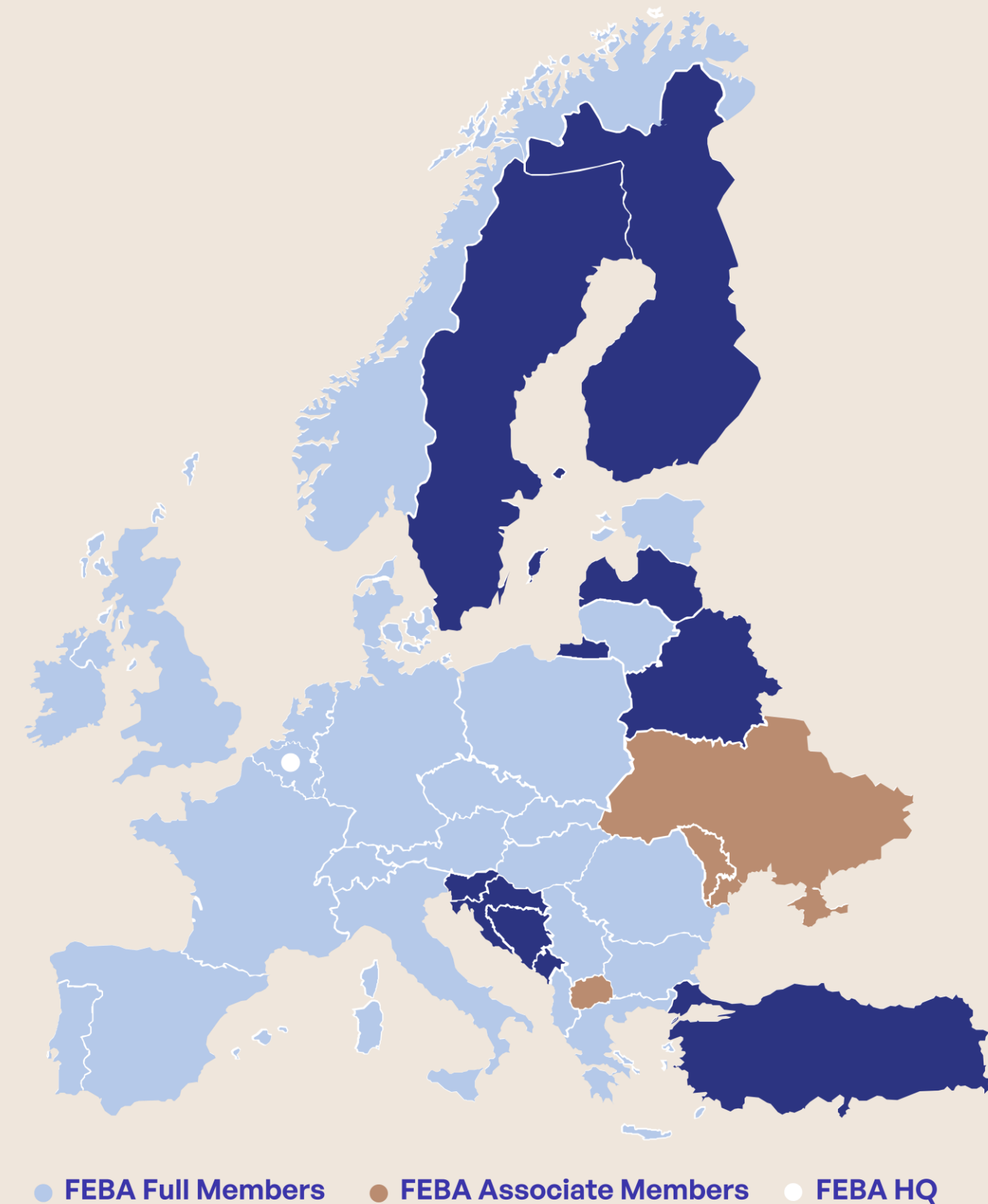


Who We Are

Founded in 1986, FEBA (European Food Banks Federation, from the original French *Fédération Européenne des Banques Alimentaires*) currently brings together members from 28 countries across Europe.

Our Mission is to reduce food insecurity mainly through the prevention of food loss and waste, and the support and development of food banks in countries where they are most needed.

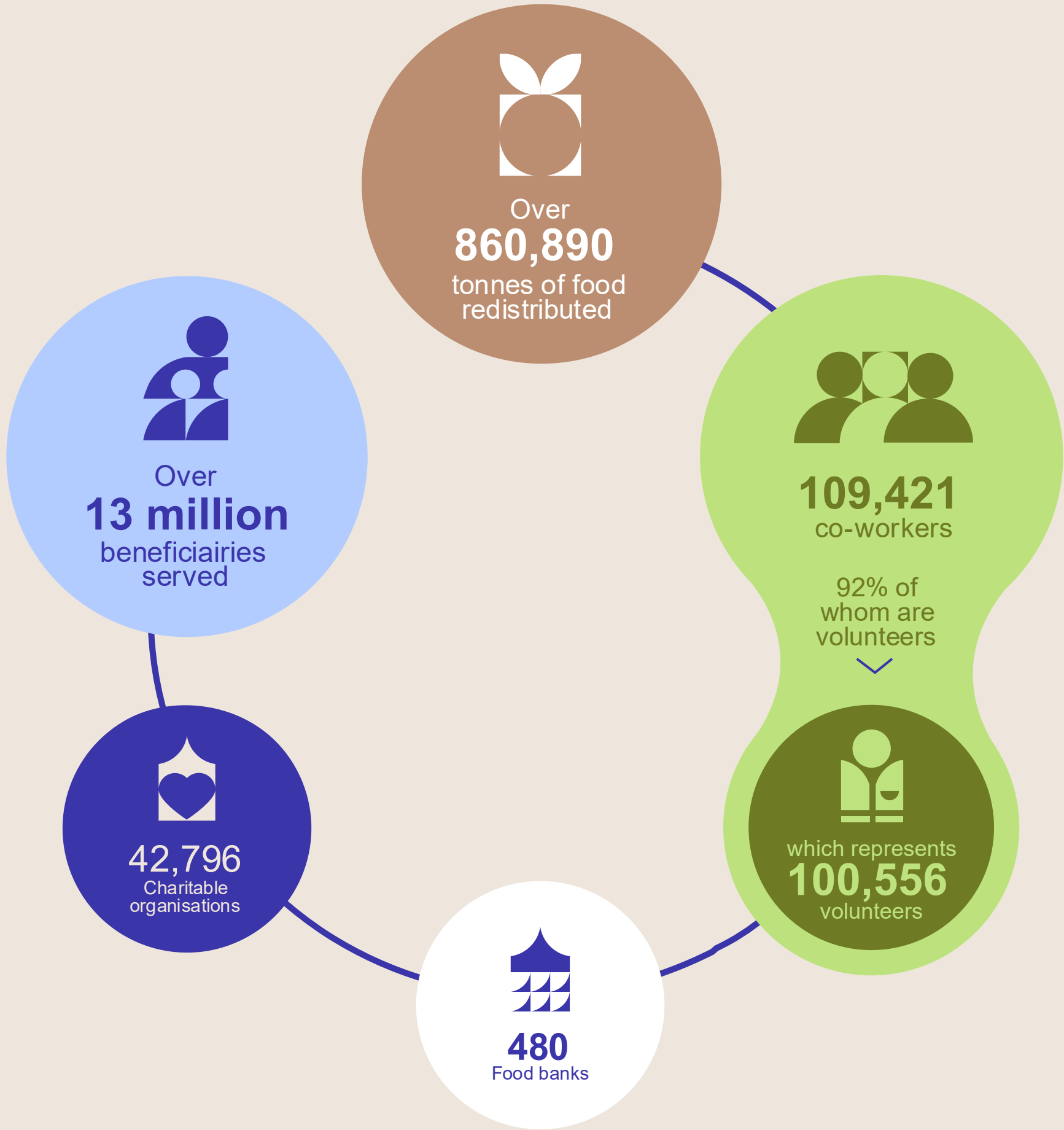
We rescue surplus, edible food and redirect it to charities supporting people in need, reducing food loss and waste, strengthening social inclusion, and protecting the environment.



Our Collective Impact in 2025

In 2025, the European Food Banks Federation (FEBA), in collaboration with 25 Full Members and 5 Associate Members *, redistributed approximately 860,890 tonnes of food and served over 13 million people in need.

*This is the aggregation of data reported by FEBA Full Members and Associate Members at the European level. In some countries, such as Estonia, Germany, and the Netherlands, FEBA Members redistribute food not only to other charitable organisations but also directly to end beneficiaries. In 2026, FEBA consists of 28 full members and 3 associate members.



The State of Play

Almost

42

million people

in the EU cannot afford a quality meal every second day.

Over

12

million tonnes

of crops lost this summer to wildfires in the EU

Over

58

million tonnes

of food waste are generated annually in the EU

254

million tonnes

of Co2, accounting for 16% of all emissions generated annually in the EU



59

million tonnes

Food As A Fundamental Right

Our network fosters social inclusion, restores hope, and creates the conditions by supporting 13 million individuals to participate fully in society. **We aim to support 15 million european by 2030.**

Access to food is a fundamental right and a foundation for dignity.

Food insecurity undermines health outcomes, educational achievement, social cohesion and the quality of life overall.

When people are nourished, communities are strengthened.



Driving Sustainability Through A Collective Action

We fight food loss & waste at scale

FEBA Members divert surplus food from landfills and distribute it to people in need, saving tens of thousands of tonnes every year.

Our action lowers carbon emissions

Unsustainable food systems generate disproportionately high carbon emissions and contribute significantly to environmental degradation. Redistributing food avoids the emissions and ensures that the ones already generated from its production and transport are not wasted.

We enable circular food systems

Food Banks intercept surplus, edible food from all stages of the supply chain—agriculture, manufacturing, and retail. Instead of becoming waste, this food is redirected for consumption, embracing a circular economy model.

The Revised Waste Framework Directive (WFD)

Binding food waste reduction targets by 2030

- **10% reduction** in processing & manufacturing
- **30% per capita reduction** in retail, restaurants, food services & households

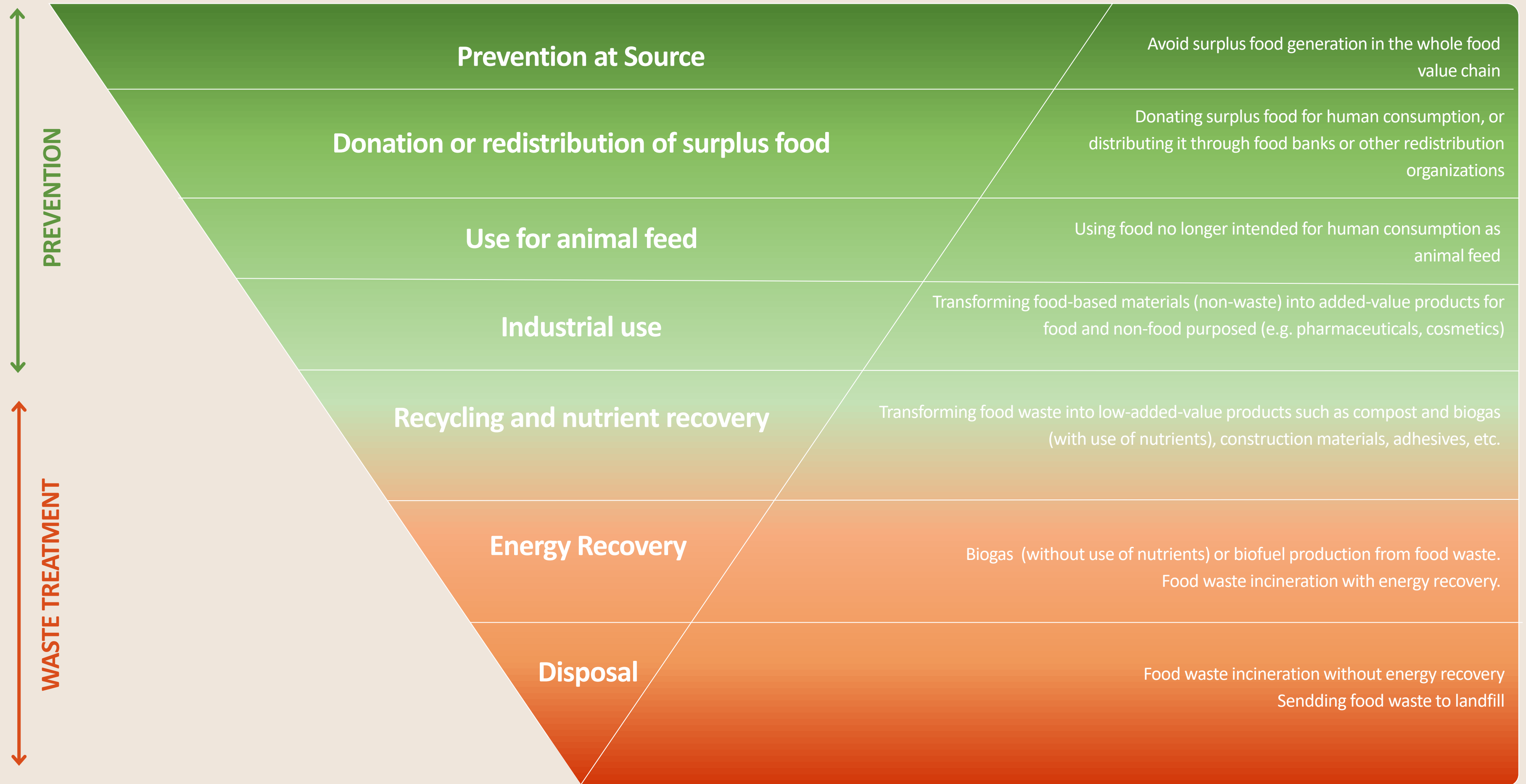
Food donation & the role of Food Banks

- Member States must take measures to **encourage food donation and redistribution**
- **Food Banks and redistribution organisations must be consulted** to facilitate donation agreements with economic operators

From legislation to implementation

- The focus now shifts to **national implementation**, making the involvement of Food Banks particularly important
- Member States must **monitor progress, adapt their food waste prevention programmes and designate competent authorities** to coordinate implementation Atlas Launch Presentation
- **Key opportunity for FEBA and its Members to engage with national authorities and help ensure that the new framework translates into effective food donation measures**





FEBA advocates for the strengthening of ESF+ in the new MFF 2028-2034.

The announced MFF spending target of 14% for social spending, corresponding to around 100 billion, **is reduced compared to the current ESF+** envelope of approximately 95.9 billion, taking into account inflation and the inclusion of broader thematic priorities.

Changes to the MFF: Strengthening ESF+

The **ESF+** was established to **deliver on the EU's commitments under the European Pillar on Social Rights** and included earmarking for specific thematic priorities, including **25% for social inclusion objectives**.

The new **Draft Proposal** establishing the **ESF+** as **part of the National and Regional Partnership Plans**, concerning social objectives such as quality employment, skills, and social inclusion, is currently under review. However, **there is no mention of specific earmarking for causes like social inclusion or material deprivation**.

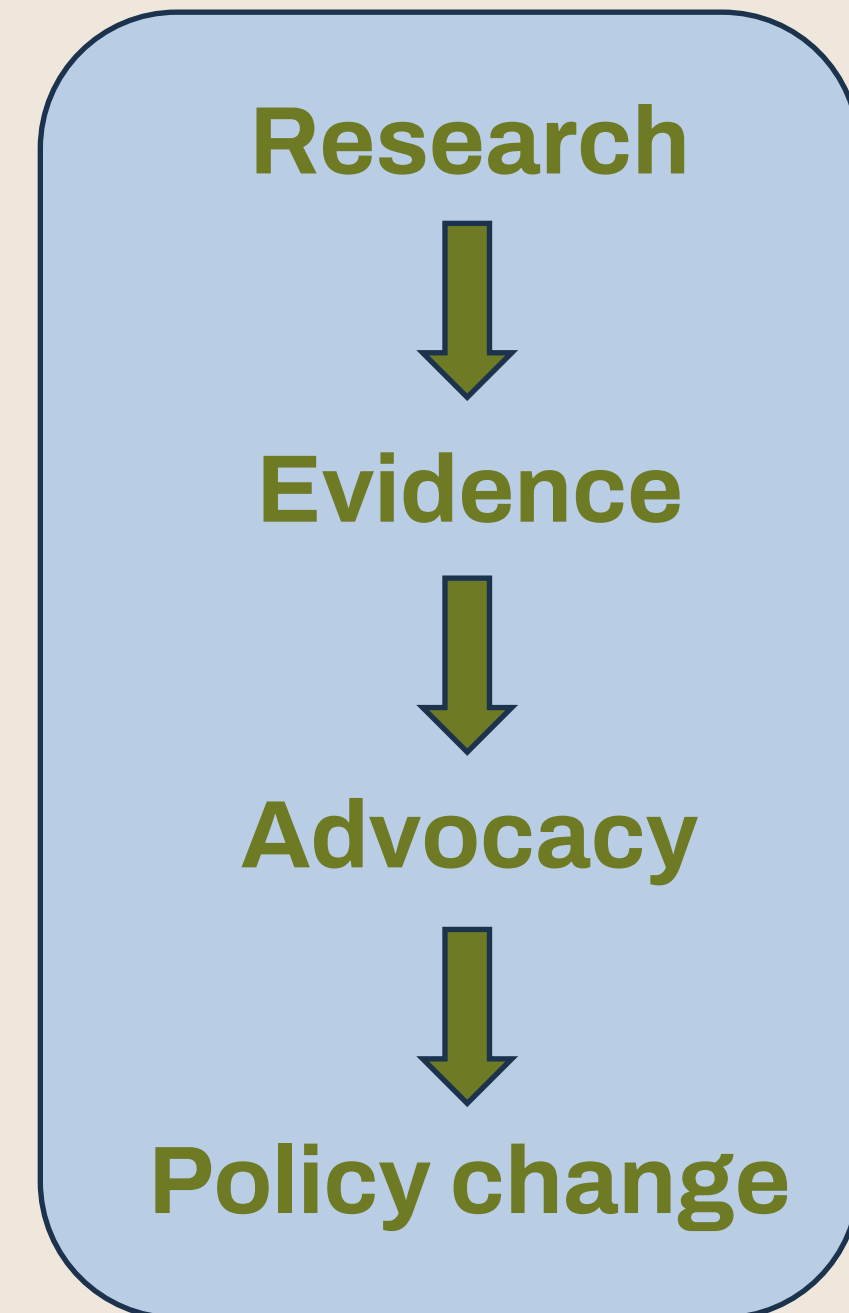
So far, **FEBA** has advocated for an earmarking of **10% within ESF+** to be dedicated to material support.

Due to the significant changes in the proposed design of the next MFF, FEBA supports the position that within the social spending target, **25% must be safeguarded for social inclusion objectives**



Why we support the Food Donation Policy Atlas

- **Identify legal and policy barriers** that prevent or discourage food donation across Europe.
- **Compare national frameworks and best practices** across FEBA Member countries.
- **Equip Food Banks with evidence** to support dialogue and advocacy with national and EU policymakers.
- **Turn research into policy change**, enabling stronger and more sustainable food donation systems.

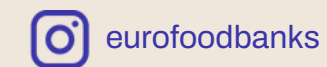
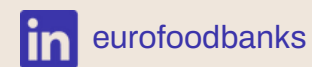




Thank You

European Food Banks Federation,
Chaussée de Louvain 775,
1140 Brussels, Belgium

+ 32 (0) 25 38 94 50
info@eurofoodbank.org



**Co-funded by
the European Union**

Funded by the European Union. Views and opinions expressed are however those of the author(s) only and do not necessarily reflect those of the European Union or the European Commission. Neither the European Union nor the granting authority can be held responsible for them.