



GREEN TRANSITION
DENMARK

Nordic Food Transition

Low emission opportunities in agriculture



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EU policy and the common agricultural policy (CAP)

- The CAP doesn't function as income support
- The CAP should not support large-scale livestock production
- Subsidise plant-based food production via the CAP
- Subsidise sustainable and more extensive dairy and meat production via the CAP
- CAP is an important source of financing for the green transition



Increase plant-based primary production

- **Invest in research on legume farming**
- **Introduce legumes in crop rotation systems to increase resilience and sustainability**
- **Draw up contracts between farmers and buyers of legumes**



Food industry and retail

- Increase share of locally grown ingredients in plant-based products
- Improve collaboration through the food value chain
- Develop supply chain and close gaps



Consumers

- Enhance consumer guidance and guidance of professionals
- Use taxes and subsidies to guide consumers towards more plant-based consumption and a sustainable level of meat consumption



Research and development

- **Research and development into protein crops for human consumption should be prioritised and expedited**
- **Develop technologies that improve texture, taste, and nutritional value in plant-based food products**



National policy

- **Develop national action plans and targets for plant-based foods**
- **Increase domestic consumption of plant-based food**
- **Implement a climate tax on food products**



Change current practices in livestock production

- Feed ruminants in natural pastures
- Replace feed imports with locally produced grass and protein crops
- Diversify agricultural production

40 recommendation for a more climate and environmentally friendly food production system

8 unique cases of existing businesses that are venturing into plant-based production and more sustainable farming of livestock

Read the full report at <https://pub.norden.org/temanord2021-525/#>

