

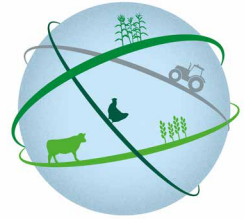


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## 17<sup>th</sup> Global Forum for Food and Agriculture (GFFA) “Farming a Sustainable Bioeconomy“

Our global economic system is facing great challenges as it is largely dependent on non-renewable, fossil resources. It uses up finite resources, exacerbates the climate crisis and thus has a drastic impact on global food security. A sustainable, circular bioeconomy can play a key role in the further development towards a sustainable and resilient resource base.

A bio-based economy uses raw materials from agriculture, forestry and aquaculture, as well as organic waste, micro-organisms and insects. The transition towards an increased use of renewable resources therefore not only offers manifold opportunities for development and income generation but can also contribute to achieving 11 of the 17 United Nations' Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

We intend to use the GFFA to promote the exchange on a sustainable bioeconomy and thus contribute to strengthening food security, combating the aggravating climate crisis, boosting innovation, and providing fair framework conditions for a sustainable bioeconomy.

Four central bioeconomy topics will be discussed during the 2025 GFFA:

1. Sustainably producing biomass – Solving conflicts of interests
2. Sustainably using biomass – Ensuring global food security
3. Strengthening innovation – Promoting communication
4. Providing fair framework conditions – Harnessing change

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Dear Madam/Sir

The GFFA is a leading international conference on key issues regarding the future of the global agri-food sector. Since 2009, the GFFA has been taking place every year in Berlin in parallel to the *Grüne Woche* trade fair. The four conference days will focus on the further development of global agri-food policy.

The GFFA is a unique platform for networking and dialogue: every year, the approximately 20 public events hosted within the scope of the GFFA attract up to 2,000 international actors from politics, civil society, industry and the scientific community. The political highlight of the GFFA is the largest Agriculture Ministers' Conference in the world, which regularly brings together around 70 ministers who seize this opportunity for discussion and cooperation.

In 2025, we will be focusing on the subject of bioeconomy. A sustainable, circular bioeconomy protects resources, contributes to combating the climate crisis, strengthens food security and opens up new sources of income. To be successful, we must shape the transformation together and in international cooperation. Agri-food policy plays a key role in this respect. I would therefore like to use the GFFA for a constructive exchange with the agriculture ministers from all over the world – with the aim of shaping a sustainable bioeconomy.

I would be delighted if you would save this date and I could welcome you to Berlin in January 2025 on the occasion of the 17<sup>th</sup> GFFA.

The time to act is now. Let us lead the way together!

Yours sincerely

**Cem Özdemir**

Federal Minister of Food and Agriculture