



TRansition paths to sUstainable
legume-based systems in Europe

Public participation

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Public participation in policy making

- NGOs/CSOs involvement on EU level / national level
- Sustainability pillars (environmental, social, economic)
- Public participation mechanisms are various (esp. on the EU level), but limited – especially in the IMPACT
- Agriculture (& food) is a special challenge for public participation

Membership of Inštitut za trajnostni razvoj in NGO networks:

EU level:



**Pesticide
Action
Network
Europe**



Slovenia:



PLAN B

Plan B za Slovenijo
Mreža nevladnih organizacij
za trajnostni razvoj



Example

- Public consultation on the future of the CAP (EC)
February – May 2017:
 - Outstanding feedback: 258.708 citizens and 600 organizations
 - Clear message: CAP needs a total overhaul
- Is the CAP Fit for Purpose? - an evidence-based Fitness Check assessment (a) reg. its own goals; (b) reg. UN SDGs



Results

- Public opinion taken into account?

Only marginally!

Watering-down of the “greening” in the CAP-making process:

- The Commission
- The Member States
- The Parliament

- SDGs not any closer, greenwashing in CAP largely continues
- Everybody loses

