

# EU protein strategy

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## [Draft European Parliament Report: European Protein Strategy](#)

### What is changing and why?

The European Parliament wants the European Commission to urgently write a new protein strategy so that the EU does not have to rely on importing proteins that are particularly needed to feed animals.

The Parliament wants the strategy to include:

- introducing rules that make it easier to bring new feed additives to the market
- allowing more sorts of biodegradable waste to be used as feed
- making sure that protein producers can earn money from using biowaste in energy production
- a certification scheme that allows producers to show how protein crops help to reduce carbon
- making sure that agricultural policy and rules on how public bodies buy food will help farmers who produce protein-rich crops
- new food labelling that shows how much carbon has been produced when growing and making food and feed
- funding research to find new ways to make plant-based protein and other kinds of protein.

### Actions

Non-EU countries that want to sell plant-based proteins to the EU should:

- keep a close eye on the new EU protein strategy to understand how it might affect their trade
- think about the benefits of investing in eco-friendly supply chains to meet the demand for green proteins in the EU market.

### Timeline

The European Parliament will finalise its suggestions in October 2023. The Commission plans to release its new protein strategy at the beginning of 2024.

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