

THE LATEST ON EU AGRI-FOOD POLICIES IMPACTING LOW-INCOME & MIDDLE-INCOME COUNTRIES

GLOBALG.A.P. consultation on new Environmental Sustainability Solution

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GLOBALG.A.P. third public consultation on the proposed Environmental Sustainability Solution: GLOBALG.A.P. Public Consultation Portal

What is changing and why?

GLOBALG.A.P. has opened a third round of public consultation for its new <u>Environmental</u> <u>Sustainability Solution</u> (ESS). It applies to fruit and vegetables, combinable crops, and flowers and ornamentals.

The principles and criteria cover a range of topics (water, biodiversity, greenhouse gases, regenerative agriculture, food waste, footprinting), and collect qualitative and quantitative information. The ESS will operate both as an add-on and as a separate, stand-alone standard.

It is important that producers and operators, especially those in low- and middle-income countries, give their feedback on the proposal to ensure that it is appropriate, affordable, and achievable in the local context.

Actions

Participation in this public consultation will be important to ensure that the new ESS meets the needs of all stakeholders, including those in low- and middle-income countries, while promoting environmental stewardship and sustainability.

The third and final round of public consultation closed on 20 December 2024.

Timeline

The ESS is due to launch in 2025.

For more information see the <u>full record</u> on the AGRINFO website – where you can also view the latest <u>AGRINFO Update</u> newsletters and <u>search</u> the database.





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