

Team Europe Initiative 'Sustainable Food Systems'?

Duration: 17.06.2025 - 17.06.2029

Countries:
Moldova

EU contribution: € 7 500 000

Total budget: € 8 500 000

Implementer:
Czech Development Agency, Solidarity Fund PL in
Moldova



Social media:

Project description:

The Team Europe Initiative 'Sustainable Food Systems' has been launched in June 2025, with financial support from the European Union (EU) and the Czech Republic. The project is implemented by the Czech Development Agency (CzDA) and Solidarity Fund PL in Moldova (SFPL in MD) in partnership with Latvian Rural Advisory and Training Center (LRATC).

The project seeks to enhance the resilience of Moldovan farmers and rural communities to climate change and other external shocks by addressing key vulnerabilities in the country's agricultural sector. Moldovan agriculture is highly susceptible to droughts, floods, land degradation, and market instability, which compromise productivity and food security. In response, this action promotes sustainable farming practices and applies a value chain approach with a strong orientation towards the business sector.

Expected results:

- 50 farmers will develop their businesses as quality seed producers, increasing the quantity and quality of locally produced seed adapted to Moldova's eco-climatic conditions.
- 200 farmers will adopt laboratory soil testing to optimise crop choices and reduce the risk of crop failure during dry years.
- At least 20 new technologies, products (e.g., biocides) and services supporting sustainable agriculture will be introduced with project support.
- Agri-food small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs) will improve their access to funding, with 30 agri-food SMEs increasing their innovation capacity and integration into value chains through project grant co-funding.
- At least 70 producers and SMEs will participate in trade fairs, business-to-business events and networking opportunities.
- Up to five value chain initiatives led by agri-food SME associations will receive financial support to promote collaboration and association among agri-food SMEs.
- A digital Organic Agricultural Register will be established, ensuring traceability of organic products in Moldova.
- Risk management tools will help farmers mitigate risks associated with agricultural production, processing and distribution.