

Introduction Collaboration Initiative Food loss and waste and workshop objectives

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Collaboration Initiative on Food Losses and Waste

- launched at Meeting of Agricultural Chief Scientists of G20 countries in 2015
- coordinated by German Thünen Institute
- aims to support stakeholders to develop and implement strategies, methodologies, measures etc. to reduce FLW, share knowledge and set up networks
- activities and cooperation open for all stakeholders and countries

Collaboration Initiative FLW activities e.g.

- Facilitating international cooperation among stakeholders
 - [Global platform for FLW experts and projects](#) (170 from 41 countries)
 - Regional FLW workshops in cooperation with G20 presidency
- Capacity building
 - Hosting, training and supervising researchers and students
 - Co-authoring research papers from international colleagues
- participating in international working groups, boards etc.
 - UNECE, FAO, UNEP, [ISO](#), [EU](#), research projects (e.g. scientific advisory board [LOWINFOOD](#), [Folou](#))



Think global ...

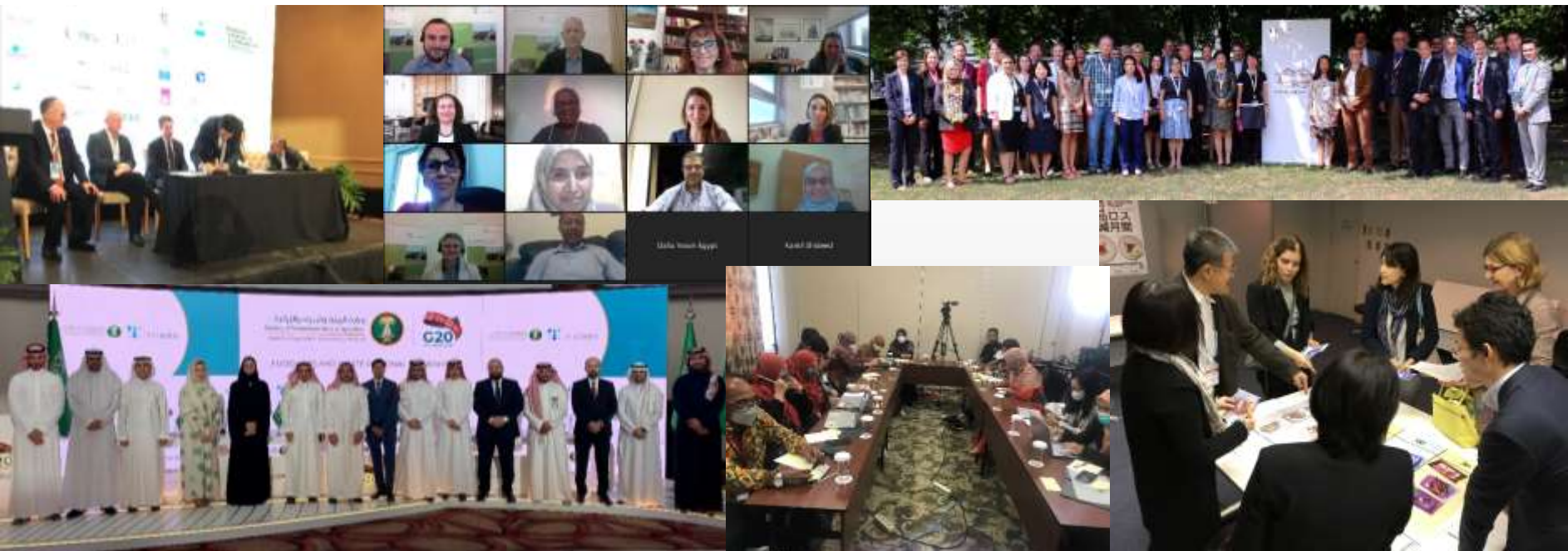
- Cooperation with G20 presidencies related to put FLW topic on the official agenda, include it into communiqués and declarations to facilitate political commitment and harmonization processes
- Collaboration Initiative with G20 host Argentina in 2018 to establish [International Day of Awareness of Food Loss and Waste](#) on UN level -> September 29th in place since 2020



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... act regional ...

- annual **Regional FLW workshop** series in cooperation with G20 presidency (connecting 870 participants from 92 countries since 2017)
 - in 2018 “[Call to Buenos Aires Action on Food Loss and Waste](#)” signed after workshop as basis for collaboration in Latin America and the Caribbean
- > facilitating **regional stakeholders’ cooperation and networks**



... & act local

- **International Day of Awareness of Food Loss and Waste** as public event at Braunschweig City center each September



Kenya FLW Workshop objectives

- Connect FLW issues with Bilateral cooperation program Germany and New Zealand as well as Agricultural Policy Dialogue African Union-Germany



- Welcome African Union to get in contact with Collaboration Initiative FLW
- Provide opportunities to meet in person and set up new relationships and cooperation
- Facilitate progress on FLW and connect with other strategies related to hunger, climate, food access
- Prepare topics for FLW workshop in South Africa in 2025

Kenya FLW Workshop outputs

- Summary report will be provided to participants
- We will update you as well as those colleagues who were not able to come due to short notice on further steps towards FLW workshop 2025
- Develop critical mass to push coordinated FLW action forwards
- Hope to see you again in South Africa!



Thanks for your attention!

More information on [Collaboration Initiative Food Loss and Waste](#)

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useful FLW links at Thünen Institute

- Collaboration Initiative Food Loss and Waste: <https://www.macs-g20.org/about-macs/macs-activities/collaboration-initiative-on-food-losses-food-waste-launched-at-macs-g20/>
- Global Expert and Project data base: www.global-flw-research.org/
- (Inter)national projects managed by Felicitas Schneider: <https://www.thuenen.de/en/ma/staff/scientific-staff/schneider-felicitas-dr/>
- dossier FLW: <https://www.thuenen.de/en/topics/global-food-and-resources/less-is-more-reducing-food-losses-and-waste/>
- Sustainability special issue “National Food Loss and Waste Prevention Strategies and Monitoring Approaches—an Interdisciplinary Challenge for Decision Makers, Researchers and Practice“: [https://www.mdpi.com/journal/sustainability/special issues/foodloss waste decisionmakers#published](https://www.mdpi.com/journal/sustainability/special%20issues/foodloss_waste_decisionmakers#published)
- national FLW projects at Thünen Institute, managed by Thomas Schmidt: <https://www.thuenen.de/en/ma/staff/scientific-staff/dr-thomas-g-schmidt/>