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Contingency plan for ensuring food supply and food security in times of crisis

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	Actions	Proposed actors	Delivered by
1	Establish a permanent European Food Security Crisis preparedness and response Mechanism (EFSCM) including a dedicated group of experts involving public authorities from Member States (MS) and non-EU countries as well as stakeholders and its rules of procedures.	COM	Q2/2022
2	Create a network of correspondents from the relevant private sector organisations.	COM / Stakeholders	Q4/2022
3	Periodic reporting on the state of preparedness and activities of the group of experts to other EU institutions and to the general public.	COM	Yearly, as from end 2022
4	Convoke the group of experts regularly and on an ad hoc basis in case of a crisis threatening food supply and food security in the EU.	COM	At least yearly as from Q2/2022
5	Establish the appropriate digital platform to support the EFSCM for exchange of information.	COM	Q4/2022
6	Map the risks and vulnerabilities, including structural issues, of the EU food supply chain and its critical infrastructures among others through a dedicated study.	COM	Q4/2023
7	Develop specific dashboards for the monitoring of food supply and food security.	COM	Q4/2022
8	Carry out a study on the role of information technologies to improve market transparency, in particular in times of crisis.	COM	Q4/2024
9	Develop recommendations:	Group of experts (COM, MS, stakeholders)	
	- on ways to reinforce the diversity of sources of supply between shorter and longer food supply chains;		Q2/2023
	- on guidelines for crisis communication on food supply and food security;		Q2/2023
	- on ways to address or mitigate risks and vulnerabilities, including structural issues putting at risk food supply chains.		Q2/2024