

What place for a new governance of food systems in the framework for sustainable food systems initiative?

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Farm to Fork Strategy: overall goals



The transition to sustainable food systems requires a collective approach involving public authorities at all levels of governance (including cities, rural and coastal communities), private sector actors across the food value chain, non-governmental organisations, social partners, academics and citizens.



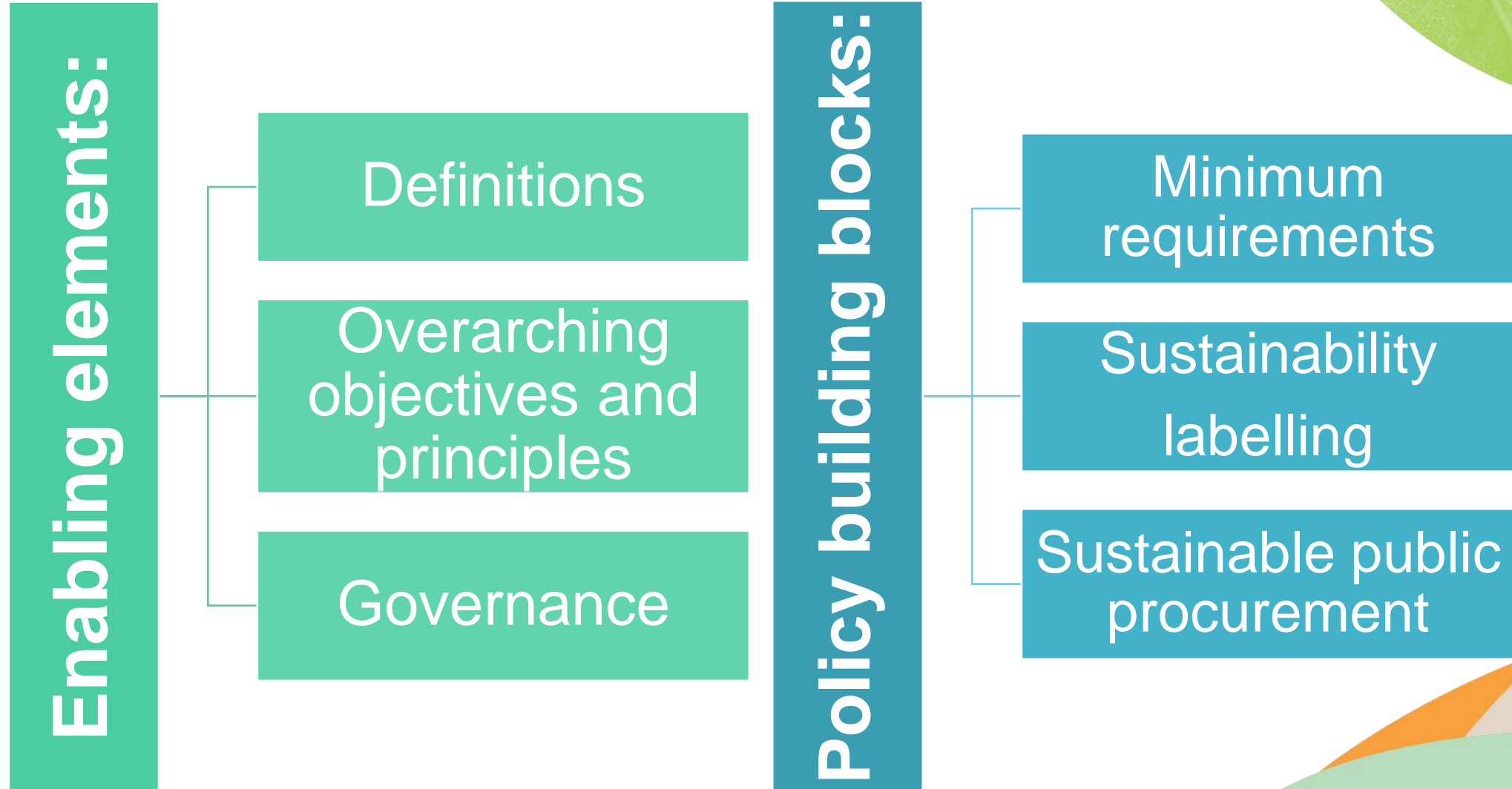
New framework legislation on a Union sustainable food system

OVERARCHING OBJECTIVE:

- *Set the foundations for the **systemic changes** that are needed by all actors of the food system, including policy makers, business operators and consumers in order to **accelerate the transition to a sustainable EU food system.***
- *Promote policy coherence at EU and national level, mainstream sustainability in all food-related policies and strengthen the resilience of food systems.*



General architecture of the FSFS



Governance provisions

Provide a frame for a multi-level cooperation of food system actors

- Laying down appropriate processes and arrangements to enhance, and frame multi-level cooperation, engagement and public participation both at EU, MS and regional or local levels

Provide a basis for the development of food sustainability strategies by MS

- Introduction of provisions requiring or recommending MS to develop plans to meet certain identified goals/objectives set out in the FSFS or nationally set goals in specific areas
- National Strategies should be regularly reviewed
- MS performance would be monitored via a monitoring framework with key indicators for the food system, the main features of which could be laid down in the FSFS



Next steps

- Finalisation of the Impact Assessment
- Drafting of the legislative proposal
- Adoption of the proposal foreseen in **Q3 2023**



Thank you



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