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Plants for the Future Supports Call for a Bold FP10 to Drive European Innovation and Competitiveness

Following the publication of the **Joint Declaration for a Bold FP10**, signed by 86 European associations representing the research, development and innovation (RD&I) community, **Plants for the Future** joins the call for a strong and ambitious Framework Programme that places research and innovation at the heart of Europe's competitiveness agenda.

The declaration highlights the urgent need to increase investment in RD&I to address Europe's widening innovation gap, boost productivity, strengthen competitiveness, and support the green and digital transitions.

A well-funded FP10 will be critical to supporting the full innovation cycle, from fundamental research to deployment and scale-up, while fostering public-private collaboration and reinforcing Europe's industrial base.

Plants for the Future particularly supports the declaration's call for increased FP10 funding, a strengthened Pillar II for collaborative and industry-driven research, and strong synergies between European funding instruments to support the entire innovation cycle and Europe's long-term competitiveness.

As discussions on the next Multiannual Financial Framework (MFF) progress, Plants for the Future remains committed to working with EU institutions and stakeholders to help shape an ambitious FP10 that delivers innovation-driven productivity growth, sustainability and long-term competitiveness for Europe.

Read the full Joint Declaration [here](#).

Plants for the Future ETP (Plant ETP) is a multi-stakeholder European Technology Platform representing the plant sector, from the seed and breeding sector, the farming community and academia. Plant ETP brings stakeholders from the plant sector together to consider the challenges and opportunities of agricultural value chains in a holistic way, while developing a vision for future systems spanning food, feed, and biobased raw materials. In this way, Plant ETP provides strategic direction, recommendations of essential research and innovation, and science-based advice for the benefit of policymakers, research funding providers, practitioners, and innovators throughout agricultural value chains.