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Plants for the Future ETP Welcomes the Commission's New Strategic Approach for AgRI 2040 and Food 2040

Following the publication of the European Commission's *New Strategic Approach to Research and Innovation for Competitive, Resilient and Sustainable Agriculture, Forestry, Rural Areas and Food Systems*, Plants for the Future ETP (Plant ETP) welcomes the AgRI 2040 and Food 2040 frameworks as an important step towards a more competitive, resilient and sustainable European agri-food sector.

Plant ETP particularly welcomes the recognition of plant breeding, seeds, plant varieties, genetic resources and biotechnology as key tools for addressing current and future agricultural challenges, as well as the acknowledgement of European Technology Platforms as important partners in accelerating innovation.

Plant ETP also stresses that achieving the ambitions of AgRI 2040 and Food 2040 will require sustained investment in plant research, breeding innovation and technology deployment. The Platform looks forward to supporting the implementation of these priorities.

Read the full statement [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.