

The Circular Food Systems network update

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Best wishes for 2022!

In 2021, the Circular Food Systems network formally kicked-off. Since then, we have been receiving many enthusiastic responses, had inspiring interactions and established new collaborations for researching circularity. Thank you very much for your involvement. We are looking forward to further collaborating with you in 2022 to advance research on CFS! Wishing you a healthy, happy and interesting new year!

Highlighted

A new, open access, scientific paper on circularity in the tropics has been published in Food Security. "*Farmed animal production in tropical circular food systems*" by S. Oosting *et al.* discusses the role of farmed animals in circular food systems in the tropics by presenting four case studies from across the globe and the impacts of circularity on food security and environmental impact mitigation. The paper can be downloaded [here](#).

Save-the-date! 28th January 2022: knowledge exchange on CFS case studies

The 2021 CFS network kick-off workshop resulted in several new collaborations to research circularity in different food systems around the world. On 28th January 2022, the case study leaders will discuss with you their approach and first insights during an online meeting. Friday 28th January 2022, 12:00-14:00 CET, more info will follow.

Conference | Circular@WUR: living within planetary boundaries | 11-13 April 2022, Wageningen, Netherlands.

This Conference was planned for December 2021. Due to Covid-19 measures, it is postponed to April 2022, registration still possible. Circular@WUR provides an overview of the state-of-the-art of current knowledge about a circular, bio-based society. At the conference participants not only can listen to relevant and impactful keynotes, but they can also actually experience the circular challenge themselves by participating in masterclasses, attending relevant sessions and obtaining inspiration by visiting the most innovative circular companies in the Netherlands. Ultimately Circular@WUR aims to provide pathways to accelerate the transition towards a circular bio-based society ensuring climate restoration. The CFS Network will host a session on Circular Food Systems. For more info, click [here](#).

9 new 'circularity projects' funded through ERA-net

The ERA-NET Cofund SusAn, FACCE ERA-GAS, ICT-AGRI-FOOD and SusCrop collaboration on "Circularity in mixed crop and livestock farming systems, with emphasis on greenhouse gas mitigation", has funded nine new projects, involving researchers from 24 countries. Congrats to all funded projects! Early 2022, the CFS network will be investigating synergies with these new projects, to further increase knowledge and data sharing to impact GHG mitigation.

The [Circular Food Systems network](#) is part of the Global Research Alliance on agricultural greenhouse gases. The CFS network is a growing group of international researchers and policy-makers working on exploring opportunities for GHG emissions mitigation by circularity in food systems. What a circular food system is, or could be, in different regions is shown in this short movie: <https://youtu.be/nO0-NTX3lhU>

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