

# OECD stocktaking of FLW policies:

## Key findings and overview of the situation in LAC countries

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# The OECD in a nutshell

## Who we are

- International organisation based in Paris
- 38 member states across the world, representing 80% of global trade
- 3000+ employees

## What we work on

- The full range of social, economic and environmental challenges...
- More than 30 committees on topics such as tax evasion, best practices in education, foreign aid... and **food systems**

## How we work

- **Inform & advise** – unique source of data, analysis and insights
- **Engage & influence** – bringing policy makers and experts together to exchange ideas
- **Set standards & provide policy support**



# Key insights



# OECD stocktaking of food loss and waste policies



**Method: Questionnaire  
and three case studies  
(Australia, France,  
Japan)**



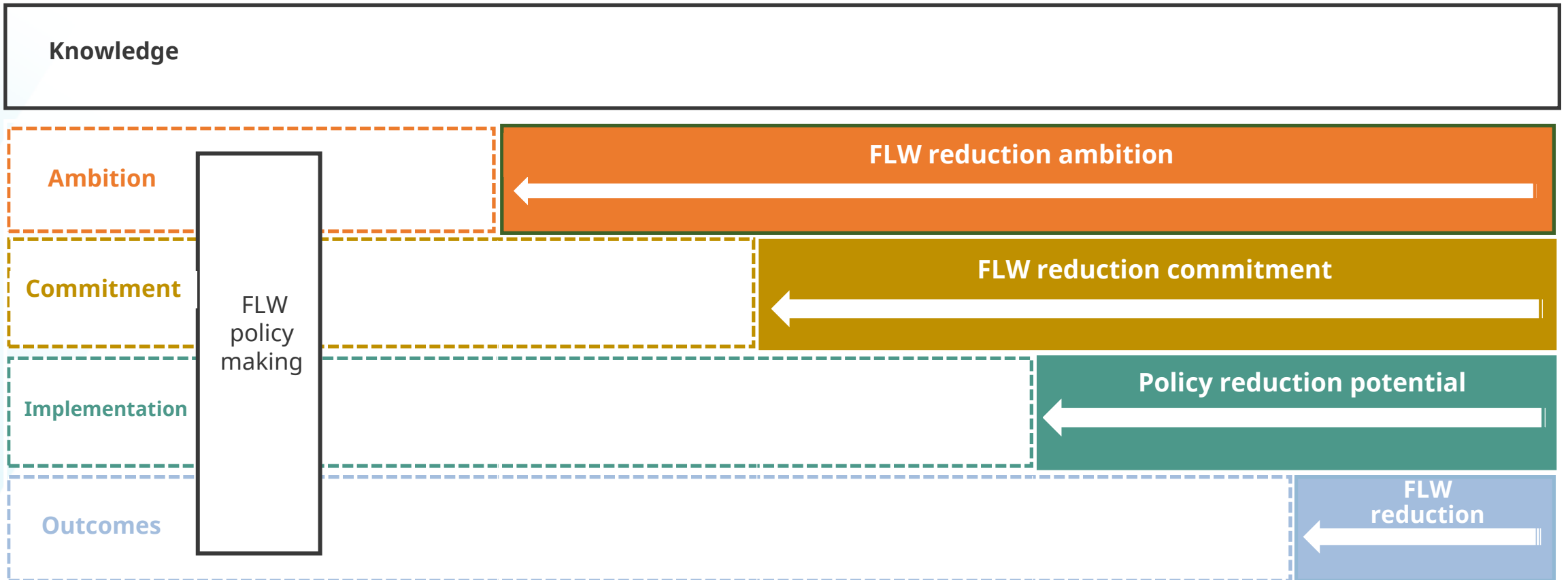
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**Complementary project:  
OECD-FAO 2024  
Agricultural Outlook**



# A systematic framework for analysing FLW policymaking processes





# There is no silver bullet in FLW policymaking!

## National conditions

- Geographical
- Economic
- Legislative
- Social

## FLW knowledge

- Agricultural production
- Ag. Handling
- Food processing
- Wholesale
- Retail
- Hospitality
- Public procurement
- Households

## International comparability

- Different FLW denominations
- Tracking progress

Flexible policy approaches are needed



# FLW policy environment: Countries mobilise a wide range of policy instruments

Awareness  
raising  
initiatives

Voluntary  
collaborations

Mandatory  
regulations

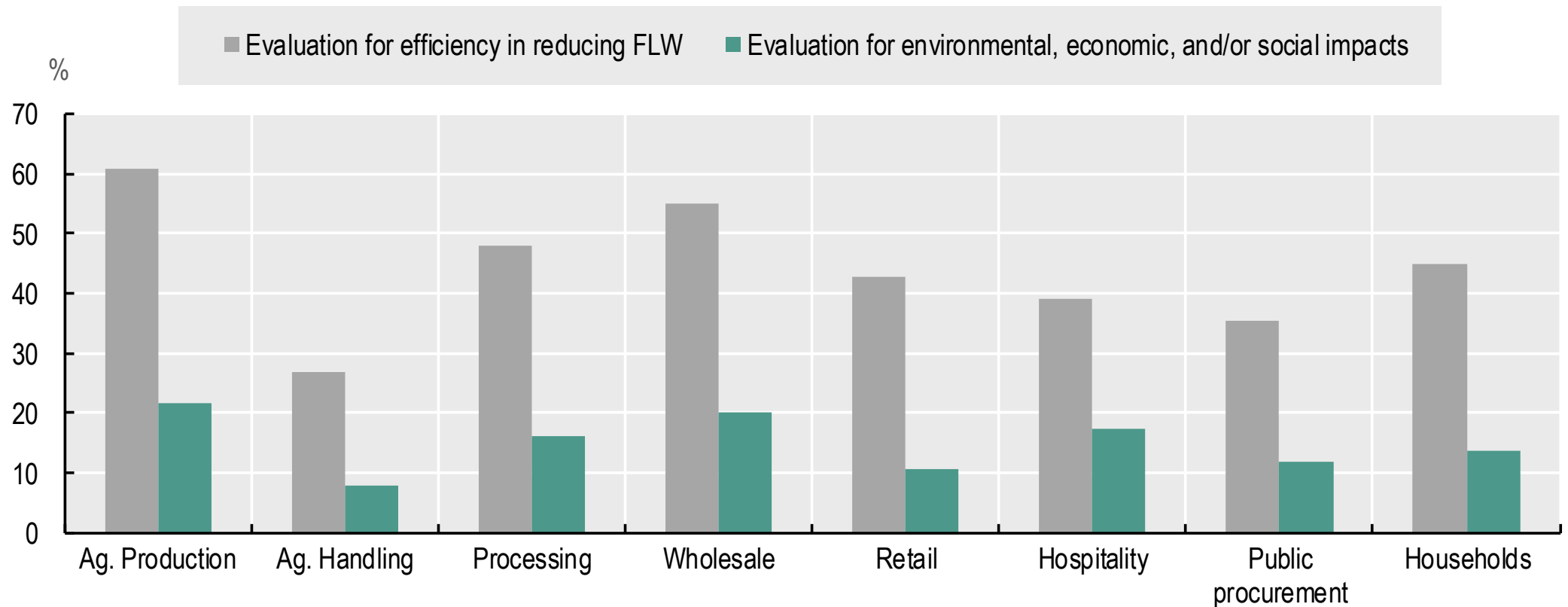
Fiscal  
measures

Support to  
innovative  
practices



# FLW policy evaluation: Enhanced mechanisms are needed

## Evaluations of FLW policy instruments by stage



Source: OECD Questionnaire on Food Loss and Waste Reduction Policies, 2023

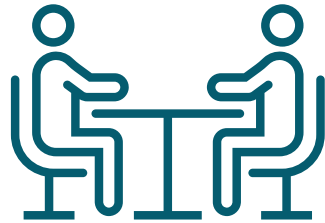




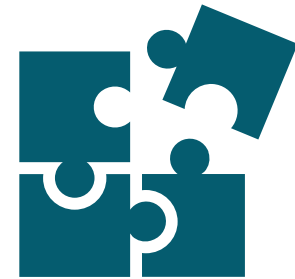
# FLW policy process: the involvement of stakeholders is needed to achieve progress



**Reporting and monitoring system to track progress**



**Inclusive and transparent policy dialogue**



**Mechanisms to disseminate innovative practices**



# Conclusion and next steps



# FLW policy environment: key conclusions

## FLW Knowledge

**Improvement  
but lack of  
international  
comparability**

## Policy Ambition

**100% committed  
to SDG 12.3...  
But there are blind  
spots**

## National Commitments

**Mostly soft  
measures; Explore  
win-win  
collaboration**

## Policy implementation

**Policy layering  
rather than policy  
targeting !**

## Policy effectiveness

**Lack of  
mechanisms,  
timelines and  
indicators**



# Next steps at the OECD on Food Loss and Waste

- **Publication of the OECD report:** A stocktaking of Food Loss and Waste Policies
- **Virtual release event:** an opportunity to learn more and discuss with policymakers from Australia, France and Japan
- **2025-2026:** Towards better FLW measurement and policy evaluation practices – Invitation to join the OECD Food Chain Analysis Network





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