

## Title:AM-19-1 to B-R6: Transitioning to sustainable and<br/>resilient farming systems in Europe

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Draft text

## From line 19 to 30:

A substantial reduction in meat and dairy consumption is necessary for both public health and for food systems to function within the planetary boundaries. Despite this, EU policy has failed to rebalance European agriculture and diets to become more plant based. Although 70% of arable land in the EU is dedicated to feed production for animals, this still only covers 30% of the feed required for current

levels of meat production. The remaining feed is imported, making meat consumption and production also subject to vulnerable world markets. Comparing sectors, 82% of subsidies from the CAP are directed towards animal-based products (including subsidies for feed production). EU policy has also failed animals and In the interest of the planet, the health of people, animals, and the ecosystems that inhabit it, less meat and dairy must be produced and consumed. This demands a shift towards more plant-based sources of protein, which EU-policies have so far failed to realize. Although 70% of arable land in the EU is dedicated to feed production for animals, this still only covers 30% of the feed required for current

<u>levels of meat production.</u> An agricultural system build around meat production and consumption undermines European food sovereignty.Comparing sectors, 82% of subsidies from the CAP are directed towards animal-based products (including subsidies for feed production). EU policy has also failed citizens' calls for higher welfare in animal farming with, among others, outdated legislation for transport, slaughter and the confinement of

## **Explanation / Comment**

First amendment: improves readability and argumentation Second amendment: we believe it is important to explicitly state that food sovereignty is not an argument in favour of more meat production in the EU (as conservative parties claim), but rather the opposite.

Third amendment: animals, unfortunately, do not have a voice in these discussions.