

Trade that works for farmers & food systems transformation



Both ENDS

3 strategic pathways:

- 1. An empowered and influential civil society
- 2. Systemic change in public institutions that prioritises people and planet
- 3. Transformative practices are the norm





Food systems transformation

- A question of redistribution of power & ownership
- Planetary boundaries
- Resilience
- Food sovereignty
- Regionalisation of food systems
- Crucial role of the Netherlands in food & trade : Manifesto
 - 5th most competitive country worldwide
 - Top 5 EU countries with most import products linked to deforestation
 - 122,3 billion euro agricultural export, of which 30% outside of Europe





A trade system that works for food systems transformation (I)

- Starting point: sustainable, transformative, agricultural practices such as agroecology
- What obstacles? What do they need?
- Example of family farming in Brazil:
 - Procurement in EU-Mercosur trade agreement
 - Milk powder
 - Soy
- Other examples: farmer-managed seed systems
- Informal sector





A trade system that works for food systems transformation (II)

- Vision & pioneering role for NL
 - Own Dutch national agricultural policies and position in EU (incl. subsidies, role of ABCD)
 - Regulations on export and import
 - Measures such as mirror clauses only if it works for small-scale farmers in the global South
 - Participation in negotiations (incl. small-scale farmers, women and young people)
- Directly involve global South perspective, transition experts
- Link with the Feminist Foreign Policy
- Different trade and market access (not always more)





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Questions?