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Presentation for the open policy debate on a strategy for the Irish agri-food sector to 2030
1b. Orientation

Innovative agriculture sector

Working within ecological boundaries

Moving towards social wellbeing
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2b. The transition to circular agriculture

Circular agriculture is a transition from continual reduction of the cost price of products to an ongoing reduction in the use of raw materials and careful management of soil, water and nature.
3a. Sustainable soil management

Circular agriculture leads to a healthy, smoothly functioning soil and water system, with a sustainable approach to raw materials and nutrients.
3b. The feed-manure cycle

To close the feed-manure cycle, we need to work on recycling and more efficient or different use of feed and manure.
3c. Proteins

The EU and the Netherlands depend on imports to meet three-quarters of their demand for plant protein. Most of this protein is used for animal feed to produce animal proteins. This situation is not sustainable.
3d. Food production that improves nature, the environment and climate

To meet the biodiversity challenge, agriculture and nature need to connect.
3e. The enabling conditions

What is needed?
- Opportunities for farmers to earn a decent living
- High-quality knowledge and innovation
- Building on international lead
- Connecting agriculture and nature
- Greater appreciation of food and farmers
- Incentives
3f. Moving forward

The transition to circular agriculture is a joint challenge.