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What's being offered today?

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3. Network space
4. News & updates
5. **Opportunities and limitations of international mechanisms to foster just transformation. The case of the 2021 Food Systems Summit** Markus Egermann, IOER



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Ukraine

Rebuilding the dairy sector after Russian occupation

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Swiss Embassy Kyiv

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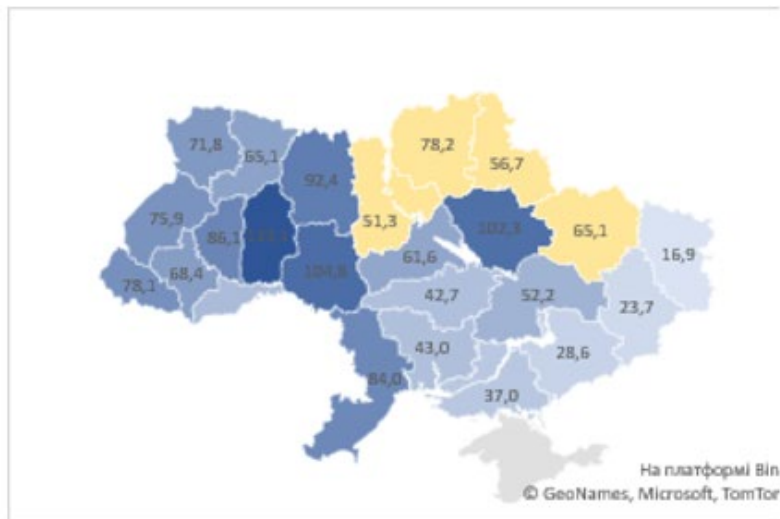


Figure 1. Cows number as of 01 January 2022, thsd. heads, by region, all types of milk producers

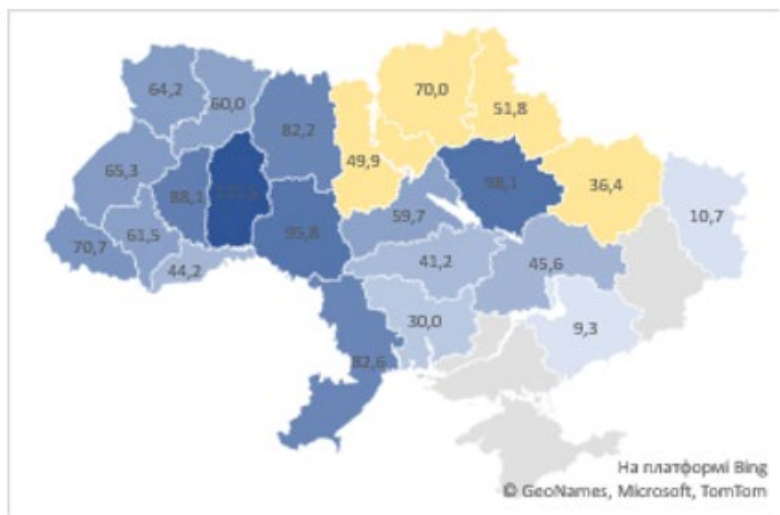


Figure 2. Cows number as of 01 January 2023, thsd. heads, by region, all types of milk producers

In 2022, the total number of cows in Ukraine, excluding the temporarily occupied territories in 2014, decreased by more than 200 thousand heads, which for comparison is 30% of the number of cows in Switzerland.

However, despite the war and the blockade of seaports, Ukraine exported in value 344.6 million USD of dairy products in 2022, which is 39% more than in 2021.

Basic Information

The Objective of the project 'UKRAINE: emergency dairy inputs' is to ensure food safety in the dairy sector of Ukraine and improve food security and access to healthy nutrition for the Ukrainian population through dairy products.

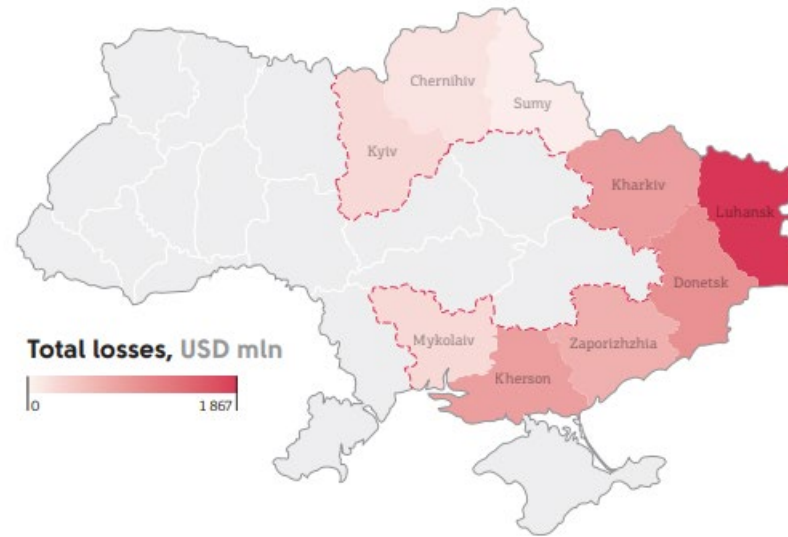
Outcome 1:

4 de-occupied regions of Ukraine that suffered from military actions are supported in retaining their production potential in dairy sector of 300 milking farms with 110'000 cows (23% of total in Ukraine).

Outcome 2:

Farmers' access to necessary input materials, including materials needed to maintain milk hygiene is improved and farms' liquidity is increased to bring the sector back on track after 3 months of temporarily Swiss support.

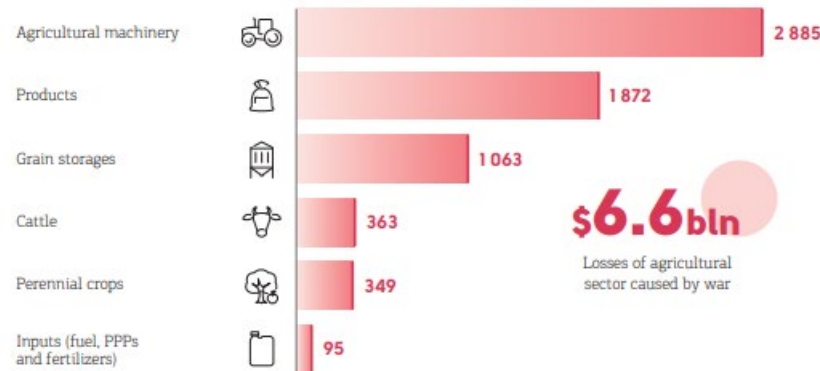
Ukraine – Rebuilding the dairy sector after Russian occupation: next steps



The prolonged occupation of the southern and south-eastern regions of Ukraine and frequent shelling of the liberated and frontline areas makes it difficult to produce and sell milk, which is the main reason for the stopping of farm operations and the reduction of livestock.

Losses by category, USD mln

The monetary value of physical assets destroyed, stolen or partially damaged (but still fit for repair or refurbishment) as a result of hostilities and occupation.



To partially compensate these losses to the milking farms Switzerland plans a continuation of this project in 2023 with allocation of CHF 2.3 ml (if approved by the Parliament in June 2023).



SAY HI!

Let's quickly reconnect

You'll be randomly assigned to a small group.

In the group, simply take a minute to say hi and introduce yourself.



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Raising Food Prices in Africa: Consumers and Authorities back Competition Action to tackle unfair Food Prices

Project: *Consumer Voice for Fair Prices*
Consumers International &
The Rockefeller Foundation

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ETHIOPIA Drought Snapshot

Ethiopia: Drought Operational Action Plan

OCHA Situation Report

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DROUGHT KEY NUMBERS FROM 2023 HRP



13.0M

People targeted for assistance
in drought affected areas
(2023 HRP)

Out of which

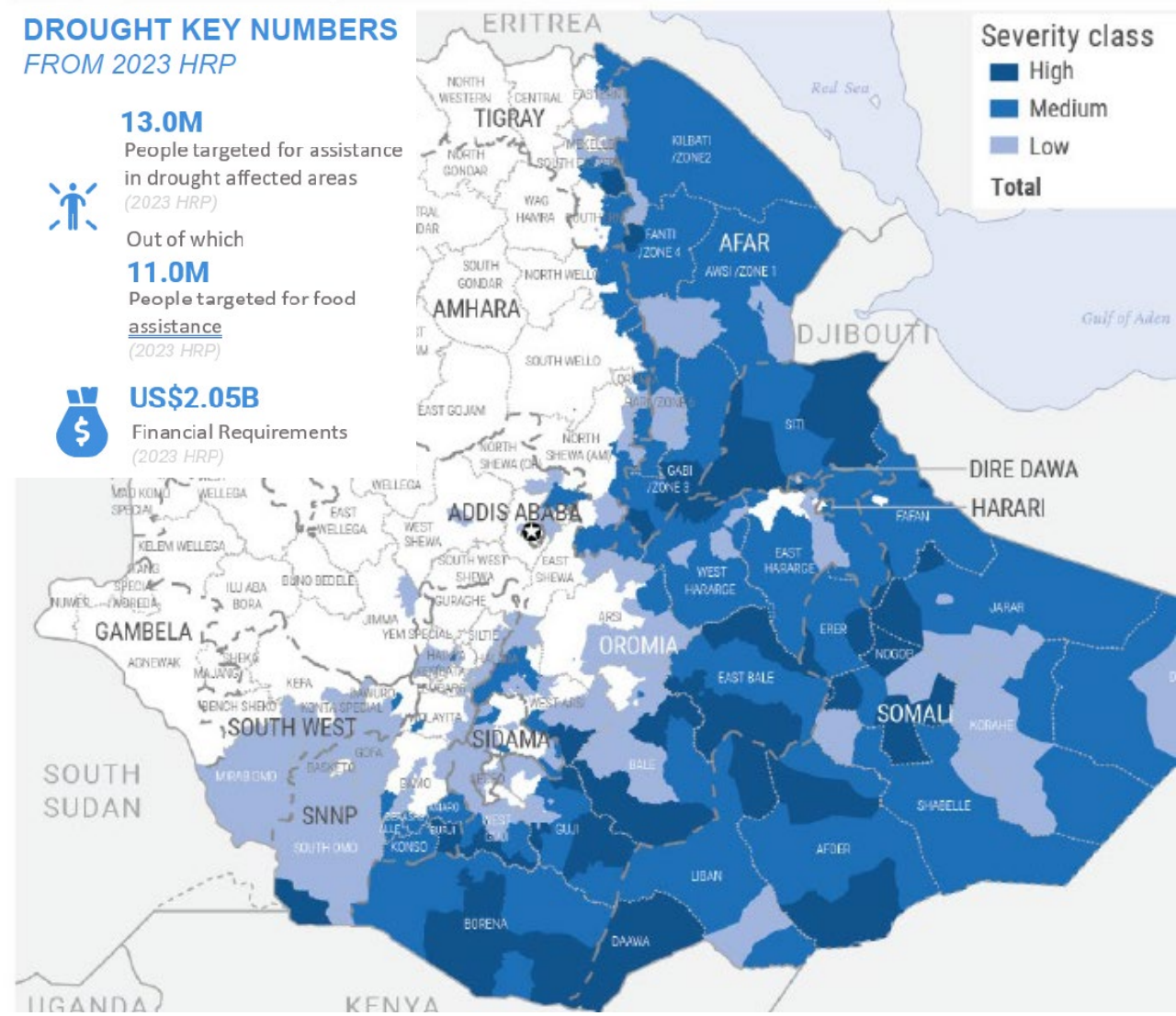
11.0M

People targeted for food
assistance
(2023 HRP)



US\$2.05B

Financial Requirements
(2023 HRP)



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Michel Pimpert (2023)

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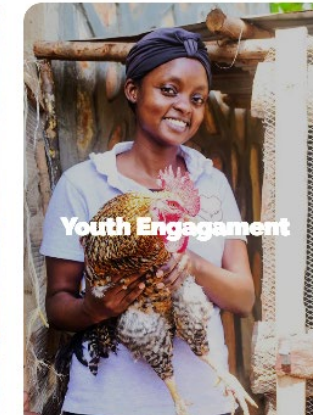
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Upcoming Event:
**Breaking Down Food
System Silos**

Cynthia Rosenzweig

May 9th, 2023 – 06.00-07.30pm (BST)

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By Route to Food

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Opportunities and limitations of international mechanisms to foster just transformation.

The case of the 2021 Food Systems Summit

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UNITED NATIONS FOOD SYSTEMS SUMMIT 2021

Transformative Capacities



Do we have the **understanding** and the **ability** to transform systems?



Transformative Capacities

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System Thinking

Transformative Visions

Just Transitions

...

Transformative Capacities | **System Thinking**

Systems analysis to understand change dynamics and path dependencies?

- **“System”** was highlighted in the announcement of the FSS
- **Awareness** for system thinking was raised
- Many interviewees reported a **silos thinking** (Action tracks, solutions)

*“It's **supposed to be a systems summit** and it started by **cutting the system in pieces**, as has been done in the past with the results that we know. And therefore to me, to cut it in **five or six tracks** and then **each track in two or three action areas**, and **each action area then has a number of game changing solutions** that are supposed to form a cluster, it is cutting the pie in **smaller and smaller pieces.**”*

Transformative Capacities | **Transformative Visions**

Targeted Knowledge of future system and consistent **transition pathways**

- **Transformative visions** for systemic change were seldom expressed
- Majority referred to “**old**” **economy-ecology-society** definition (1990s)
- **Agroecology** as potential guiding vision for transformative change



Transformative Capacities | **Procedural Justice**

Information **disclosure**, local knowledge **mobilization**, institutional **representation**

- **Outreach** of the Summit was huge
- Many were left with the feeling that their participation had **no influence**
- A vast majority of our interviewees said that the Summit process had a rather **opaque organization**
- It seems that **power imbalances** between stakeholders have not been adequately tackled by the organizers



Some conclusions

- All three aspects - **system thinking, transformative visions** and **participatory justice** - were addressed partly but not sufficiently
- In view of the research results, the **transformative impact** of the 2021 UN FSS is expected to be rather low; existing systems will be stabilized.
- The **transformative potential** of such a summit would be higher, if it would use the tools to increase **transformative capacities**
- This in turn would require **transformative leadership** by the Summit organizers and participants

Background and Methods

- Participatory observation of the Summit process
- qualitative analysis of
 - official FSS documents,
 - articles and websites and
 - 21 expert interviews
- Interviews were coded and analyzed using MAXQDA
 - Representatives of all five Action Tracks, from member states in Asia, Europe, Africa, Oceania and South America, members of the High Level Panel of Experts on Food Security and Nutrition (HLPE), civil society organizations and the Philanthropic Foundations, members of the Champions Group and a participant of the Alternative Summit launched by the CSM





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**Thank you
for your
attention!**

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NEXT STEPS & A+FS ANNOUNCEMENTS

- The presentations from today will be available on the Shareweb:
<https://www.shareweb.ch/site/Agriculture-and-Food-Security/news/Pages/thoughts-for-food.aspx>
- We'll be back with more **Thoughts for Food** on **5th July 2023**.
- Share news, topics and ideas with us!

Food Systems Learning Journey

Region Nr.6 : Latin America | MSD & Gender

16th May | 16:00-17:00 CET | online

Foresight & Resilience Webinar

25th May | 09:30-11:00 CET | online

FSLJ Summative Event

14th&15th June | online



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Thank you!
Stay well, stay safe and stay connected!