

# Member Economy Progress Report and Information Sharing “Action to Reduce Food Loss and Waste in Chile”

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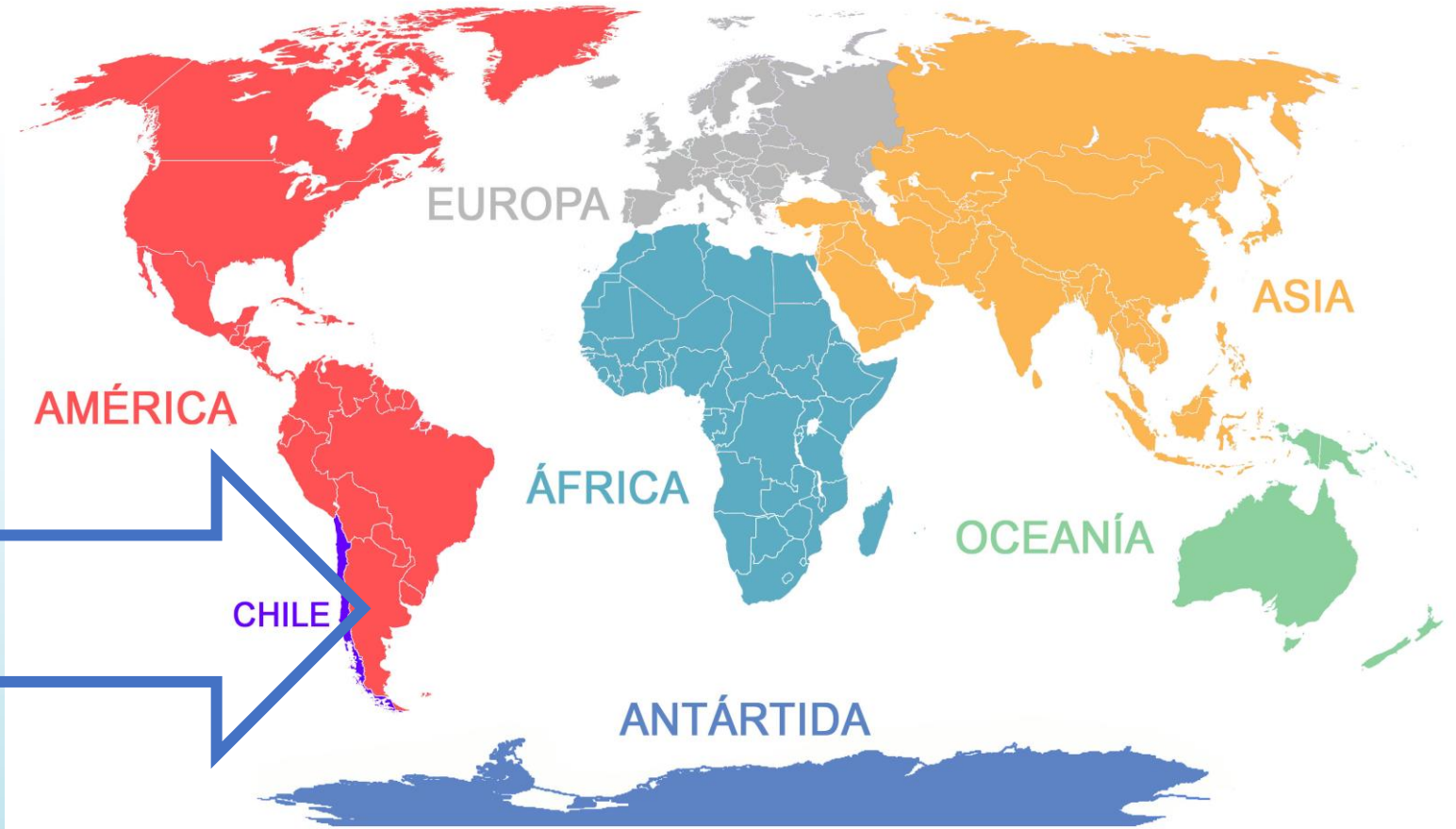
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# Food Loss and Waste in Chile



Chile, as other countries, present big quantities of Food Loss and Waste along the Food Supply Chain



# Chile: Public policy measures FLW

- ✓ NATIONAL COMMISSION TO REDUCE FOOD LOSS AND WASTE
- ✓ NATIONAL STRATEGY ON ORGANIC WASTE
- ✓ PROPOSED BILL THAT REGULATES THE DISTRIBUTION OF FOOD SUITABLE FOR HUMAN CONSUMPTION
- ✓ MICRO FOOD BANKS

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# NATIONAL COMMISSION TO REDUCE FOOD LOSS AND WASTE



**2014**

FAO introduce the problematic of FLW



**2017**

National Public-Private Committee of FLW



**2020**

National Commission of FLW under the Ministry of Agriculture of Chile

## NATIONAL COMMISSION OF FLW

- Governance y Strategic alliances
- Knowledge and Innovation
- Communication and Awareness

Public sector  
Private sector  
Civil society

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# CHILE NATIONAL STRATEGY ON ORGANIC WASTE



- The Strategy was launched in March 2021
- Organic household waste makes up 58% but less than 1% is recovered each year
- The goal is to increase municipal organic waste recovery from 1% to 66 % by 2040 by reducing **Food Household Waste** and composting the organic waste
- While in many places around the world waste management is a municipal issue the Strategy is an example of a national government getting involved in country-wide waste management.



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# PROPOSED BILL THAT REGULATES THE DISTRIBUTION OF FOOD

The proposed bill establishes:

- ***“The prohibition of destroying/discarding food suitable for human consumption, perishable or non-perishable, that has lost commercial value”***
- ***“The food must be delivered by the producers/marketers to intermediate organizations (neighborhood associations, churches, NGOs, etc.) or, to final recipients (natural persons), free of charge”***
- The Senate supported the bill and now is in the second constitutional process in the Chamber of Deputies



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# MICRO FOOD BANKS

- During 2020, due to the coronavirus pandemic, Chile increased its poverty rate from 10.7% to 10.9%: about 2 million people live in poverty (ECLAC, 2020)
- In this context, the National Commission of FLW has supported the development of the first called “**Micro Food Banks**” installed in street markets
- The Micro Banks recover in a daily base, **fruits and vegetables suitable for human consumption**, that had been donated by the farmers to be given to social organizations in need
- Volunteers, from the University of Santiago de Chile, inform that they has recover for each Micro Food Banks **300 kilograms of fruit and vegetables** per day
- Chile has 1.000 street markets; therefore, the potential is for to recover **300.000 kilos per day of fruit and vegetables**



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