

# Using upcycled sources to develop plant-based products: The IPSUS project

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### IPSUS. Climate-smart food innovation using plant and seaweed proteins from upcycled sources

The IPSUS project will exploit opportunities

for upcycling plant and seaweed proteins from food lost and waste material.

Six protein-rich sources: pumpkin, hazelnut, grape, potato, brewers' spent grain, seaweeds

were selected for study across partner countries:

UK, Italy, France, Romania, Turkey, Morocco







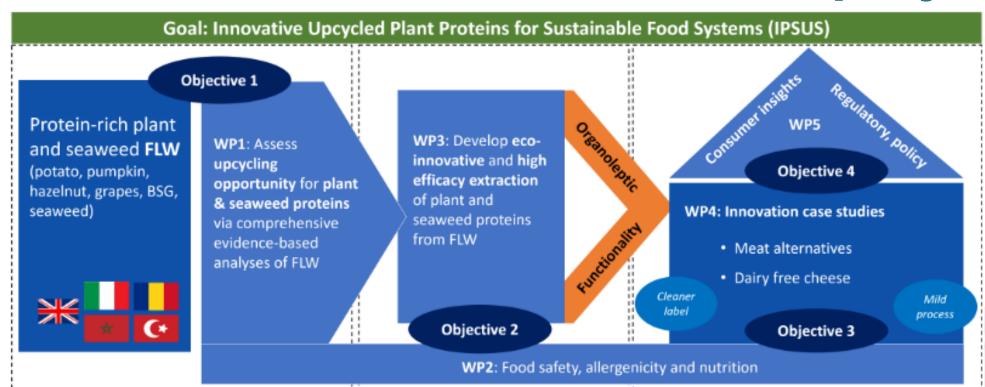








### Workflow of the IPSUS project





Focus area 1: assess upcycling opportunities of protein-rich side-stream of crops and seaweed through integration FLW analysis and food safety considerations (WP1 & 2)

Focus area 2: develop more sustainable and eco-innovative protein extraction methods with improved efficacy to retain better functionalities (WP2 & 3) Focus area 3: deliver innovative meat and cheese alternative prototypes by exploiting upcycled plant and seaweed proteins to create optimal organoleptic attributes and nutritional profiles as well as by understanding consumer behaviour and regulatory drivers (WP2, 4 & 5)



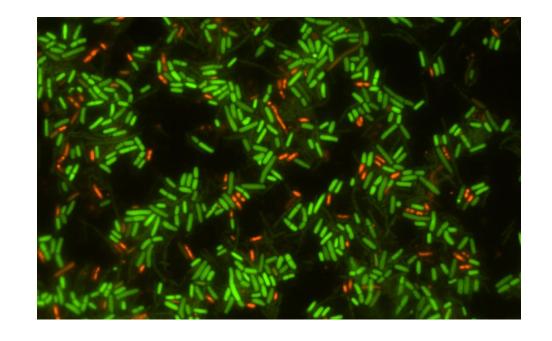
# Opportunities for upcycling food loss and waste to generate plant and seaweed proteins



- Safe and sustainable valorisation of plant/seaweed side-streams proteins.
- Scoping analysis of the value chains and development of tools for automated monitoring of food loss and waste (FLW) quantity and quality to assess the technoeconomics of upcycled plant and seaweed proteins.

#### Food safety, allergenicity and nutrition

- Address the potential food safety issues related to the FLW-derived plant and seaweed proteins (e.g., HACCP-based risk assessment)
- Evaluate the digestibility of extracted proteins and the nutritional profile of the meat and cheese prototypes made from upcycled protein sources.



# Eco-innovative extraction of plant and seaweed protein



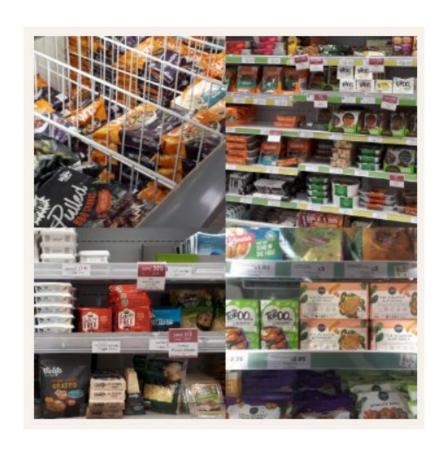
 Development of an eco-innovative technology platform for high yield extraction of protein from each target side-stream/FLW (potato, pumpkin, grapes, hazelnuts, BSG and seaweed).

#### Innovation case studies for prototyping plantbased meat and cheese alternatives

 Design and development of upcycled plant and seaweed protein-based formulations for meat and cheese alternative prototypes.



#### Market, consumers, and policy



- Identify market trends of the upcycled plant and seaweed proteins within the alternative protein landscape
- Understand consumer perception and value chain trade-offs of meat and cheese alternatives and recognise drivers and/or challenges for such protein transition.

# Thank you!

