

Farm Adaptation Summit 2025 — Post-Event Summary

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The Farm Adaptation Summit brought together more than 50 participants from 11 countries in the beautiful Foodspace venue - a refurbished slaughterhouse in Copenhagen's historic meatpacking district. Farmers, researchers and innovators from across the agricultural value chain gathered with one shared purpose: to help farming adapt and thrive in a changing climate.

The summit featured a mix of talks, fishbowl discussions, and solution sessions, creating a vibrant environment for dialogue and collaboration. Key speakers were: Torsten Wette, Farmer (Denmark), Benedikt Sprenger, Farmer (Germany) and Andrew Furness, Foodbuy / Compass Group (UK).

The feedback was loud and clear that the standout moments were the interactive fishbowl and solution sessions. The conversations flowed naturally as participants stepped in, listened, challenged, and contributed to a dynamic and insightful conversation where every voice could be heard.

Farmers took center stage throughout the summit. From their powerful keynote talks to their active participation in group discussions, every conversation was grounded in the realities of agricultural adaptation, ensuring that ideas remained practical, relevant, and rooted in lived experience.

The summit marked a milestone for FAN as we launched the Strategic Blueprint for Farm Adaptation. Part One is a collaborative overview of the barriers and challenges for farm adaptation. It reflects shared priorities for innovation, investment, and policy to accelerate adaptation and collaboration across the sector.

Post-event survey results reflect the summit's success and impact:

92% of attendees were *Very* or *Extremely satisfied* with the overall organization and 61% found the summit *Very* or *Extremely valuable* to their work. Participants also highlighted the strong networking opportunities - connecting across sectors and borders, finding common ground, and building relationships that will last well beyond the event.

"The event helped me to understand the complexities of changing food systems and how there needs to be work and collaboration along all actors of the supply chain, as well as with researchers."

"Well planned and executed. Great space for conversation, and challenging each other's viewpoints."

"10/10 event!"

The Farm Adaptation Summit left participants inspired, hopeful, and ready to act. The insights shared and relationships forged in Copenhagen mark an important step forward in strengthening resilience and adaptation across European agriculture, and a testament to how much can be achieved when we work together with purpose and urgency.