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FEBA ANNUAL CONVENTION 2023 Are European Food Banks at a critical crossroads?

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"Society and world evolution are shaping the expectations of and from the Food Banks. Food Banks adapt to this evolving world, and so does our federation.", stated Jacques Vandenschrik, President of the European Food Banks Federation.

The European Food Banks Federation brought the right top thinkers together in Madrid for the FEBA Annual Convention 2023, which was organised in collaboration with Federación Española de Bancos de Alimentos (FESBAL) on 27-29 September 2023, co-funded by the EU and thanks to the generous support of General Mills.

130 participants from 28 countries, including FEBA members, European institution officials, international organisations, business partners, top experts, and NGOs, convened to explore innovative approaches in Food Bank operations.



The inaugural evening was marked by the gracious hospitality, generosity, and precious time that Her Majesty Queen Doña Sofia devoted to European Food Banks.

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The FEBA Annual Convention 2023 ended on 29 September, celebrating the 4th International Day of Awareness on Food Loss and Waste. It has never been so important to remember how Food Banks play a crucial role and take action to save good food from becoming waste and redistribute it to charities helping the most deprived.



"For over four years, we've proudly supported FEBA, witnessing firsthand the remarkable impact of our public-private collaboration. Together, we've delivered a staggering 35.5 billion meals worldwide since 2019. As food banks today struggle to keep pace with skyrocketing demand, the private sector can help provide the financial and operational support required to scale up their vital work.", Ben Pearman, General Manager Europe and Australia at General Mills.

If you missed the FEBA Annual Convention 2023, we are currently updating the dedicated <u>website</u> where more great insights are coming!

Looking forward to meeting everyone at the next FEBA Annual Convention 2024!