# LPAA FOCUS ON AGRICULTURE

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Agriculture is crucial to protecting and enhancing livelihood, food security and nutrition while staying on a 2°C and resilient pathway of development. Climate change is expected to have a particularly significant impact on the risks, vulnerabilities and conditions that shape agricultural systems. Food security and nutrition are thus particularly threatened for the most vulnerable populations. This points to an urgent need for agriculture to adapt to climate change, to ensure food security and satisfactory livelihoods among rural populations, as well as environmental health over the long-run.

The agricultural sectors are well positioned not only to reconcile the need for more productive and resilient approaches to development, but also to deliver significant mitigation benefits. Agriculture is unique in that most direct emissions are predominantly non energy-related and controlled by biological processes. The biological and diffuse nature of these emissions limits the possibilities for their reduction in comparison to other sectors where emissions are more technology and energy-related. Addressing the challenges of food security and climate change will require radical transformation based on actions that can produce simultaneous benefits related to productivity, adaptation and mitigation.

The transition towards climate resilient, productive and low-emissions agriculture necessitates mobilizing all stakeholders all along food value chains.

The LPAA Focus on Agriculture will highlight cooperative and innovative initiatives mobilizing a wide range of stakeholders in four keys areas: soils in agriculture, the livestock sector, food losses and waste, and sustainable production methods and resilience of farmers.



States and nonstate actors are commiting to sustainable soil management for highly resilient. agriculture



# Session I: Setting the scene

The speakers will describe the challenges faced by agriculture in a context of climate change and identify issues in structural sub-sectors to address in the years to come. They will also highlight the wide international mobilisation to build the resilience of food systems.

## 15:00-15:10 OPENING

Abdelkader Amara, Minister for Energy, Mines, Water and Environment Morroco

## 15:10-15:20 "FOOD SECURITY AND CLIMATE CHANGE: CHALLENGES AHEAD"

*Keynote and General overview* José Graziano Da Silva, Director General, Food and Agriculture Organization

# Session II: Initiatives and commitments of the sector

#### 15:20-16:50

6 selected initiatives and the challenges associated with each sub-sectors will be presented by the moderator. The speakers will showcase the mobilisation of stakeholders from the agricultural and food-processing sectors, with a regional and an international perspective.

### SOILS IN AGRICULTURE

The '4 per 1000 Initiative: soils for food-security and climate'

Stephane Le Foll, Minister of Agriculture, Food processing industry and Forestry, France

## LIVESTOCK: (TBD)

Beef-Carbon and Carbon-Dairy

- Bruno Dufayet, Farmer

#### FOOD LOSSES AND WASTE

#### SAVE-FOOD:

Craig Hanson, Global Director of Food, Forests & Water Programs, World Resources Institute

## SUSTAINABLE PRODUCTION METHODS AND RESILIENCE OF FARMERS

- Small Farms, Big Impacts
- Kanayo F. Nwanze, President, International Fund for Agricultural Development

Promoting agro-ecological transition in West Africa

Kadré Désiré Ouédraogo, President, Economic Community of West African States

#### The Blue Growth Initiative

- Emanuel Antero Garcia da Veiga, Minister for Environment, Cape Verde

#### **16:50-17:00 KEYNOTE SPEECH**

Jean-Louis Etienne, Physicist and Polar Explorer

# Session III: High Level Panel on the "potential for agriculture to address poverty and food insecurity and tackle climate change in parallel"

# 17:00-18:00

The panel will present strategic issues and remaining challenges for the agricultural stakeholders. The speakers will call for a growing and collaborative mobilisation.

- Jorge Rueda Sousa, Vice-Minister for Agriculture, Mexico
- Jérôme Bedier, Chief Executive Officer, Carrefour, Consumer Good Forum
- Rosa Montanez, President, Lati-America and Caribbean Network of Environmental Fund-RedLAC
- André Leu, President, International Foundation for Organic Agriculture Organics International (IFOAM)
- Geoffrey Lamb, Chief Economist & Policy Advisor, The Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation
- Evelyn Nguleka, President, World Farmer Organization

# Session IV: Closing remarks

18:00-18:15

David Nabarro, UN Secretary-General's Special Representative for Food Security and Nutrition

