

High-Level Segment COP24 Katowice
Statement by the Farmers Constituency

Thank you, chair

My name is Ceris Jones from the UK and I'm speaking on behalf of the Farmers Constituency.

Here in Katowice we are very happy to have seen the first baby steps of the Koronivia Joint Work on Agriculture. But this has to make a real difference to the livelihoods of the hundreds of millions of farmers in our constituency; it has to transform our agricultural sectors and the food systems.

True transformation will require much greater ambition from you. We are clear about what we need: innovation and the scaling up of technology transfer; investment in research and extension; and an ambitious financing framework particularly for farmers in developing countries will transform farm productivity and resilience across the world, so that no farmer, especially women farmers and the farmers of the future are left behind. We cannot wait. We cannot put food security at risk.

The farmers of the world stand ready to support you so we can meet this challenge together.

Thank you