High-Level Segment COP27 Statement by the Farmers Constituency

Thank you, Chair.

Farmers are amongst the first impacted by climate change and are at the heart of climate solutions. Their fundamental role in producing food while protecting the environment must be recognised at COP27. Therefore farmers must be included as key actors in addressing climate action in the cover decision at COP27.

Excellencies, we, farmers, are here to support Governments fully in the implementation of the Paris Agreement. We offer farmer-driven, science-based solutions ready to be scaled up and replicated. What we need is the opportunity to co-design policies and programmes with you, as well as, access to investment to support the transition.

Parties must not lose sight of the need to reduce emissions from all sectors and keep 1.5 alive. We need to unleash the full mitigation potential of the farming sector with further investments at farm level on technology, innovation, research and training for farmers, while enhancing the capacity of their structures, the farmers' organisations and cooperatives.

Incredible efforts have been and will be made by farmers on adaptation to ensure food security. But the climate challenges facing farmers are great. Therefore, we ask Governments to deliver on the pledges made on adaptation finance, including increased finance for loss and damage.

Farmers are already contributing to global climate efforts. We are part of the solution. Thank you