WHO WE ARE

The LEAP Partnership is a multi-stakeholder initiative committed to improving the environmental performance of livestock supply chains, while considering both economic and social viability of the sector.
LEAP IS A RARE MULTI-STAKEHOLDER FORUM THAT HAS SUCCESSFULLY DELIVERED ITS OUTCOMES, THROUGH CONSENSUS AND DIALOGUE. THE INFORMATION AND TOOLS PRODUCED WITH LEAP WILL SERVE TO BENCHMARK THE ENVIRONMENTAL PERFORMANCE OF THE LIVESTOCK SECTOR.

Ian McConnel
WWF

ABOUT THE PARTNERSHIP

3 PRINCIPAL ELEMENTS

STEERING COMMITTEE
LEAP Steering Committee is composed of 3 stakeholder groups, acts as the executive body of the Partnership, providing leadership and direction as well as oversees the implementation of the work programme.

SECRETARIAT
LEAP Secretariat is hosted by the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO) and ensures that the work of the LEAP Partnership is based on transparency and neutrality.

TECHNICAL ADVISORY GROUPS (TAGs)
Experts from academia, private sector, CSOs and NGOs work together in the development of guidelines based on latest scientific findings and existing recommendations.

LAUNCH OF LEAP PARTNERSHIP

2012

TAG FORMATION AND DEVELOPMENT
- 6 TAGs
- 300 experts from all world regions

MULTI-STEP REVIEW PROCESS
- Internal Reviews
- 2 External Peer-Reviews
- 2 Public Reviews
The transition to sustainable agriculture and food production depends on responsible and effective policies. LEAP develops tools to generate evidence for policy dialogue and environmental management.

**PRODUCTS: GUIDELINES & DATABASES**

- ANIMAL FEED GUIDELINES
- POULTRY GUIDELINES
- SMALL RUMINANT GUIDELINES
- BIODIVERSITY REVIEW
- BIODIVERSITY PRINCIPLES
- LARGE RUMINANTS GUIDELINES
- METHODOLOGICAL NOTES
- PIG GUIDELINES
- FEED CROP DATABASE

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Life-cycle thinking, inclusive consensus, and transparency are fundamental concepts underpinning the work of the LEAP Partnership.

Through the collaboration of more than 300 experts from all regions of the world, LEAP work programme 2012-2015, known as LEAP1, achieved significant milestones in the development and delivery of environmental assessment tools.

Measurement and benchmarking are key to continual improvement. The application of the guidelines, at practical and policy levels, provides an opportunity to more clearly understand how and where improvement can be made to promote the wider sustainability of livestock production system.

Dave Harrison
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The LEAP work programme 2016-2018, known as LEAP+, supports the consolidation of LEAP1 guidelines through road testing and broadens its scope by developing additional guidelines on:

- Soil carbon stock changes in grasslands and rangelands
- Water footprinting
- Nutrient cycles accounting
- Eco-toxicity
- Feed additives
- Biodiversity indicators
- Changed-oriented approaches
- Integrated sustainability assessments

**We support LEAP because measuring sustainability is the first step on the journey towards more sustainable livestock production, and LEAP is the compass for everyone in the global village that wants to share this journey...**

Rogier Schulte  
Teagasc, Ireland

**Products: Guidelines**

- Soil carbon stock changes guidelines
- Biodiversity guidelines
- Eco-toxicity guidelines
- Feed additives guidelines or change-oriented approaches guidelines
- Revised LEAP1 guidelines

**Revision and publication**

- Application
- Dissemination
- Continual review

2018
JOIN LEAP

The Partnership is open to all organizations and governments.

As a LEAP member, your organization will have voice, get first-hand information on activities, and participate in the nomination of experts for the technical advisory groups.

More information on how to engage in this global initiative can be obtained at:

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