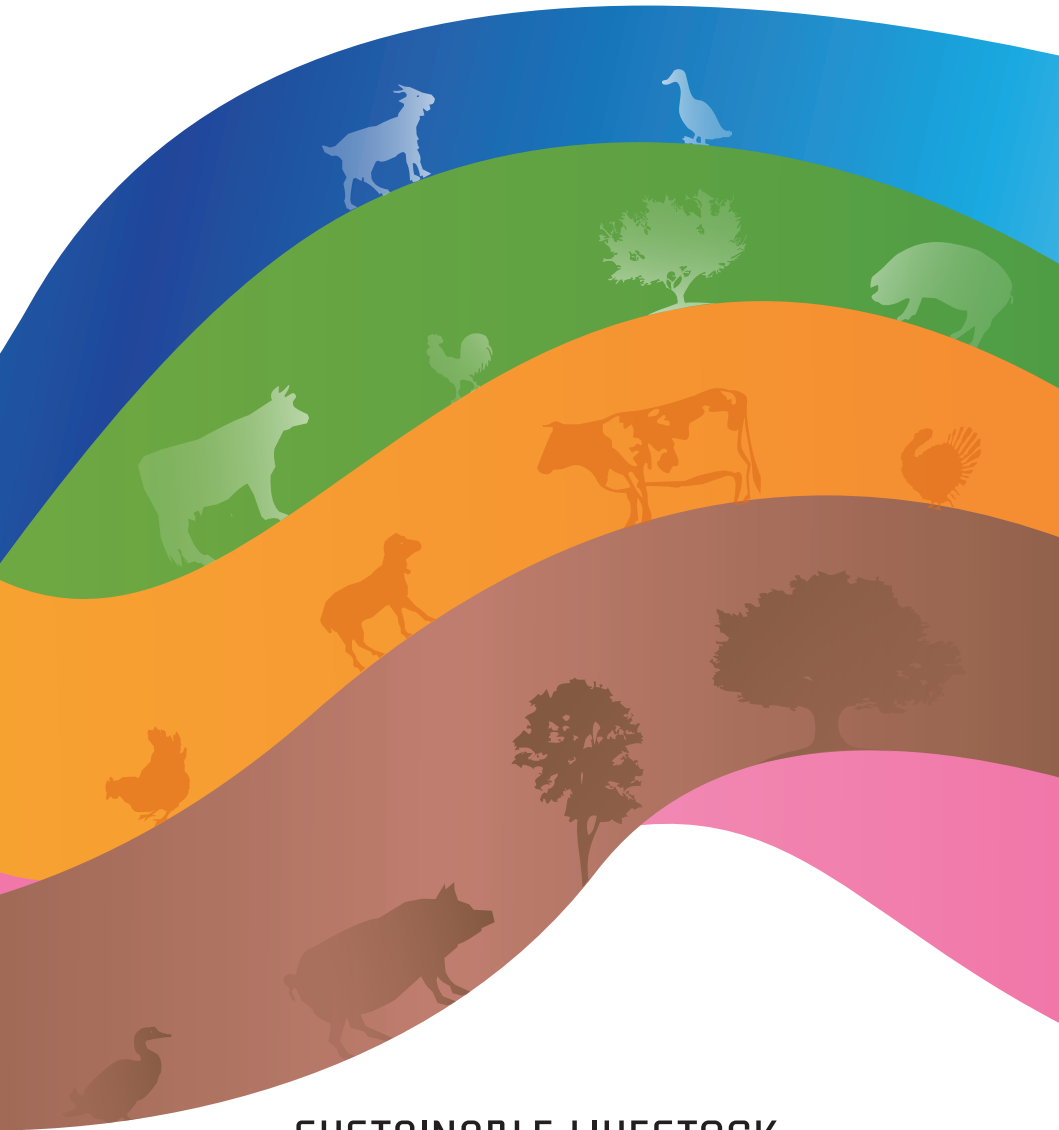




# GLOBAL AGENDA FOR SUSTAINABLE LIVESTOCK



**SUSTAINABLE LIVESTOCK**  
*for people, for the planet*

# LIVESTOCK IN DEVELOPMENT

In decades to come, the demand for livestock products is expected to grow significantly driven by rising affluence, urbanization and an increasing global population estimated to reach 9.6 billion by 2050.

Consumption of food from livestock is projected to increase by 70 percent during the period.

Livestock sector policies and investments need to simultaneously address the vast diversity of livestock systems and the different demands and expectations placed by society on the sector.

## FOR GLOBAL FOOD SECURITY AND HEALTH

Livestock are critical to maintaining and improving human health. Livestock products are an important component in healthy diets, and provide food security particularly for low income people. Livestock connect wildlife and environmental health to human health, and are an important element in disease emergence and transmission. Seventy percent of all new diseases have their origins in animals.

## IN TACKLING POVERTY

No other sector is more important to the lives and livelihoods of the poor than livestock. An estimated 1 billion people derive at least part of their livelihood from livestock. Livestock are the last resort for people that lack other assets and forms of income.

## AND TO ADDRESS ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES

Livestock are an important user of natural resources (land, water, nutrients, and biodiversity) and contributor to climate change. Livestock convert large amounts of by-products and waste material, for which there is no alternative use, into valuable products.



# ADDRESSING ALL FACETS OF SUSTAINABILITY

The partnership simultaneously addresses the social, environmental, and economic dimensions of livestock sector growth.

## **GLOBAL FOOD SECURITY AND HEALTH**

The sector is critical to human health and global food and nutritional security. The Agenda promotes an inclusive approach to managing disease threats at the animal-human-environment interface that involves all sector stakeholders at every level in the development and implementation of animal-disease and food-safety programmes.

## **EQUITY AND GROWTH**

Livestock is essential to the livelihoods of an estimated one billion poor. The Agenda supports a viable growth in value chains that have access to all necessary resources and services, and in which the poor can find secure livelihoods and participate in growing markets or take up other opportunities outside the sector.

## **RESOURCES AND CLIMATE**

The Agenda promotes livestock production based mainly on materials not competing with direct use as human food. It supports environmental stewardship through incentives and rewards to allow the sector to transition to existing and new resource use efficient ways of production and a greater contribution to climate change mitigation.



# SHARE KNOWLEDGE, DEVELOP ENABLING ENVIRONMENTS

The Agenda partnership conducts the following joint activities:

## **FACILITATE MULTI-STAKEHOLDER DIALOGUE AT INTERNATIONAL, NATIONAL AND LOCAL LEVEL**

- Stimulate multi-stakeholder interaction and sharing of knowledge
- Build consensus on priority issues and actions

## **IMPLEMENT AND SUPPORT JOINT ANALYSES AND ASSESSMENTS**

- Conduct analyses to enhance joint understanding on livestock sector sustainability
- Develop harmonized metrics and methodologies
- Identify entry points for sector improvement
- Provide strategic sector guidance
- Inform inter-governmental and other partnership processes
- Work towards policy and operational coherence

## **PROMOTE AND SUPPORT INNOVATION AND LOCAL PRACTICE CHANGE**

- Catalyze innovation and investment in sustainable sector development



# A PARTNERSHIP FOR SUSTAINABILITY

The Agenda is a multi-stakeholder partnership committed to sustainable livestock sector development.

It answers the need for collective and coherent action to address the sector's unprecedented challenges and opportunities.

The partnership unites the forces of the public and private sectors, producers, research and academic institutions, NGOs, social movements and community-based organizations, and foundations.

Thanks to its large membership, the Agenda encompasses the vast diversity of livestock systems and sector stakeholders worldwide.

## BUILDING CONSENSUS TOWARDS SUSTAINABILITY

The Agenda partnership builds sector-wide consensus on the path towards sustainability. The Partnership provides the global platform to comprehensively address the sector multiple challenges.

## CATALYSING IMPROVEMENTS

The Agenda catalyzes global dialogue into local practice change. It focuses on innovation, capacity building, incentive systems and enabling environments.

SOLUTIONS EXIST FOR THE SECTOR TO PRODUCE MORE, WITH LESS RESOURCES, AND BENEFITS TO ALL



## CURRENT AGENDA PARTNERS:

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for Animal resources

Agri benchmark, Germany

AgResearch, New Zealand

Animal Task Force, European Union

Association pour la Promotion de  
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Switzerland

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développement, France

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United Kingdom

European Livestock and Meat Trading  
Union

Food and Agriculture Organization of  
the United Nations

GLZ, Deutsche Gesellschaft für  
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Federation

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Institut de l'Élevage, France

Instituto Plan Agropecuario, Uruguay

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Zealand

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Netherlands

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Husbandry, Vietnam

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Environmental Scientists, Pakistan

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