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Online consultations for a knowledge sharing platform on resilience

Topic 2 - Setting the scene for an integrated sharing platform on resilience



Dear all,

It is a pleasure to welcome you to this second week of the online consultation on the creation of a knowledge sharing platform on resilience.

As the number of resilience related initiatives grows within the food and agriculture sector, it becomes increasingly important to address the clear danger of duplication of initiatives and lack of learning. There is a clear need of harmonization and action-oriented knowledge sharing on resilience initiatives in order to trigger more effective actions and policy design.

This week, we would like to focus on the need to build synergies with existing resilience initiatives, discuss the gaps to fill in terms of knowledge sharing, and consult with participants on what they would like to see as products and services on the knowledge platform on resilience.

This discussion invites you to address the following questions:

- **How can we avoid duplication efforts and create a living, innovative and action-oriented platform?**
- **How can we build effective synergies with existing initiatives? Which ones? How to link to NGOs, Academia, other UN, international and regional organizations, as well as national governments?**
- **How can we ensure that the platform will not be an information aggregate platform only but an information and service provider? With what content, what types of products? What services? What level of interactivity?**

- **How about 'learning': Should we include capacity development and learning material and activities? How and which ones?**

Looking forward to your contributions,

We count on you,

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