LARC/20/4:

Sustainable and Climate Resilient Agriculture

Summary of comments received
Priority issues identified by the Member States

**Priority issues:**

- Recognition of the agricultural sector as a key sector for achieving the SDGs and for economic development. This requires:
  - More sustainable, efficient and climate resilient agriculture, to fully develop the potential of the region as a food producer.

- Considering the opportunities in the agriculture sector to face current and future challenges, Member States urge FAO to:
  - Keep supporting countries on technological development, innovation, digitalization and capacity building.
  - Keep supporting countries in technical areas (climate change adaptation and mitigation, sustainable management of natural resources, disaster risk management, biodiversity mainstreaming, etc.)
Main challenges identified by the Member States

Observations:

• Need to better balance the relationship between agriculture and the environment:
  ➢ Agriculture as a cause, but also as a solution.

• Need to increase national capacities, especially with regards to access to financing.
  ➢ Catalyze public and private investments and access to international finance that allows for a sustainable and resilient recovery with a long-term vision.
  ➢ Taking into account national circumstances and priorities.
Thank you!