



Food and Agriculture Organization
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Partnering with the Pastoralist Knowledge Hub

Partners' meeting
Virtual (Zoom)
8-10 December 2020

Concept note and agenda



The Hub is a comprehensive **initiative** bringing pastoralists and international actors together to integrate pastoralist concerns into international policy dialogue. Several **hundred million pastoralists** rear resilient species of animals, producing meat, milk, wool, leather, etc., and providing essential ecosystem services. Yet they are misunderstood, marginalized and excluded from policy dialogue.

The Hub organizes **pastoralist participation** through **regional networks** and brings pastoral voices to the global stage. It also encourages its **partners** to join forces and create **synergies** for dialogue and pastoralist development. Furthermore, the Hub aims to **improve and better disseminate pastoralism-related information**, by spreading news, data, and studies about worldwide pastoralism, and supporting the development of tools to better understand and analyze pastoralism.

PARTNERS OF THE PASTORALIST KNOWLEDGE HUB

There is an increasing recognition of the importance of pastoralist livelihoods, the need to improve knowledge on pastoralism and the need to establish a dialogue with pastoralists in order to achieve development goals. The Pastoralist Knowledge Hub was born out, among others, of the need for a mechanism to coordinate the activities of the many organizations engaged in the improvement of pastoralist livelihoods, their environments and economies.

As a pillar of the Hub, the partners collaborate through advocacy, by sharing their documents, studies and information, by jointly organizing events, and by promoting pastoralist-friendly interventions and policies. The list of the partners of the Hub can be found here: <http://www.fao.org/pastoralist-knowledge-hub/partners/our-partners/en/>

About this meeting

WHEN?

December 8-10, 2020 | Virtual Meeting, Zoom.

The Partners' Meeting brings the partners of the Hub together to review its progress, share activities on pastoralism across the world, and discuss future initiatives and avenues for engagement.

WHO?

Partners of the Hub include intergovernmental organizations, public institutions, multi-stakeholder partnerships, research centers, and international, regional and national civil society organizations.

OBJECTIVES

The meeting will have the following objectives:

- To share results of and review activities, ongoing and from this past year carried out by the Pastoralist Knowledge Hub and key partners
- To discuss the future activities and role of the Pastoralist Knowledge Hub in reference to the 27th Committee on Agriculture outcome
- To create synergies and support towards the International Year of Rangelands and Pastoralists (2026) together with partners

*****Simultaneous interpretation will be provided in English, French and Spanish*****

DAY 1 Tuesday 8 December 2020		
Time (CET)	Topics	Speakers
14:00 – 14:15	Welcome and opening remarks	<i>Mongolian Ambassador Permanent Representative at FAO</i>
14:15 – 14:50	Agenda of the meeting Results of the Pastoralist Knowledge Hub in 2020	<i>Gregorio Velasco Gil (FAO)</i>
Session 1: Mainstreaming pastoralism and rangelands at FAO		
14:50 – 15:20	Presentation of the framework “Pastoralism, making variability work”	<i>Veronique Ancey (FAO)</i>
15:20 – 15:30	(Virtual) Coffee Break	
15:30 – 16:30	Discussion on the framework and contribution by the PKH partners	<i>All participants</i>
Session 2: Overview of PKH partners' activities		
16:30 – 17:00	Activities and results from the Coalition of European Lobbies for Eastern African Pastoralism (CELEP)	<i>Koen Van Troos (VSF- Belgium/CELEP)</i>

DAY 2 Wednesday 9 December 2020		
Time (CET)	Topics	Speakers
Session 2 (cont.): Overview of PKH partners' activities		
14:00 – 14:20	Community Dialogues in High Asia: an audio-visual overview	<i>Santiago Carralero (YURTA Association)</i>
14:20 – 14:45	Activities and results from the South Asia and Central Asia Pastoral Alliances (SAPA and CAPA) in 2020	<i>Ykhanbai Khijaba (CAPA) Anu Verma (SAPA)</i>
Session 3: Mobility at risk		
14:45 – 15:30	Photo Exhibition: TRANSHUMANCE Mobilité à risque	<i>Facilitator : Caroline Ruto (FAO) Gilles Coulon (photographer)</i>
15:30 – 15:40	(Virtual) Coffee Break	
15:40 – 16:10	Mobility under COVID-19 restrictions: Monitoring systems implemented by Réseau Billital Marobé (RBM)	<i>Leila Adamou (RBM)</i>
16:10 – 16:40	Multiple views on the forthcoming guidelines “Developing national legal and policy frameworks for pastoral mobility”	<i>Natasha Maru, Pablo Manzano, Michael Odhiambo (authors), Margret Vidar (FAO)</i>
16:40 – 17:00	Discussion with all participants	

DAY 3 Thursday 10 December 2020		
Time (CET)	Topics	Speakers
Session 4: International Year of Rangelands and Pastoralists		
14:00 – 14:20	The candidature of Transhumance as UNESCO heritage	<i>Pedro Herrera (Fundación Entretantos), Francesca Pasetti (ASviR Moligal), Claude Soulas (CORAM)</i>
14:20 – 14:40	Counting pastoralists: setting up global databases to contribute to the IYRP	<i>Ilse Koehler-Rollefson (researcher)</i>
14:40 – 15:00	Discussion with all participants	
15:00 – 15:10	(Virtual) Coffee Break	
15:10 – 15:40	International Year of Rangelands and Pastoralists (IYRP, 2026)	<i>Barbara Hutchinson (Society of Rangeland Management), Mongolian Embassy</i>
15:40- 16:40	Discussion on the ways forward for IYRP activities	<i>All participants</i>
16:40 – 17:00	Closing remarks	<i>Badi Besbes (FAO)</i>

On **Friday 11 December, from 14:00 to 15:30 (CET)**, the participants will have the opportunity to watch in streaming the film **“In questo mondo” (“In this world”)** on the Italian pastoralist women, kindly made available by the author **Anna Kauber**. The film, in Italian with English subtitles, will be preceded by a short presentation by the author.

