



FOURTH KORONIVIA DIALOGUE

Post-dialogue reflections 2-6 November 2020 | online

Context

The **Koronivia Joint Work on Agriculture (KJWA)** (4/CP.23) is a landmark decision adopted by the Conference of the Parties to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) at its 23rd session. The decision acknowledges the significance of the agriculture sectors in adapting to and mitigating climate change and officially recognizes the role of agriculture and food security in the climate change agenda. Furthermore, the decision requests the two UNFCCC Subsidiary Bodies for Scientific and Technological Advice (SBSTA) and for Implementation (SBI) to work together and move discussions on agriculture under the UNFCCC forward by putting more focus on implementation aspects.

Despite changes to the **roadmap** due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO) remains committed to supporting the development and implementation of the KJWA.

FAO supports countries by providing technical support to adapt to and mitigate climate change through webinars, workshops and knowledge products allowing agriculture experts under the UNFCCC to prepare their submissions and informally share their views on how to develop and



Figure 1. Participants at the Fourth Koronivia Dialogue

implement the decision. As part of this process, FAO organized the fourth informal 'Koronivia Dialogue' from 2-6 November 2020.

Due to restrictions related to the pandemic, this year's Dialogue was held virtually and structured into three main sessions with additional working group sessions requested by different groups of experts. Agricultural experts had the possibility to informally exchange ideas on how to further promote the implementation of the KJWA and share views to jointly define concrete actions. Overall, the sessions were attended by 75 agriculture experts from Europe, Asia and the Pacific, Africa, America, and Latin America and the Caribbean.

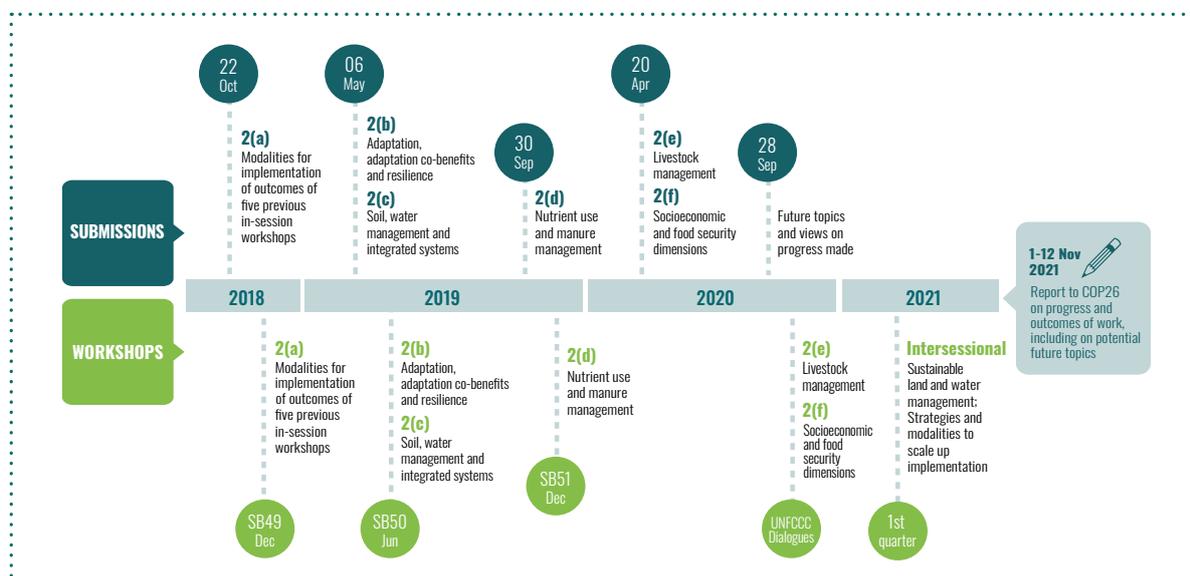


Figure 2. Koronivia joint work on agriculture roadmap. Please note that the KJWA roadmap may change due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic



Way Forward

The Koronivia Dialogue was the fourth informal discussion between country experts on how to shape the KJWA agenda in the run-up to COP 26 and its role beyond that as a key driver in fostering agricultural development that ensures both increased food security under a changing climate and a reduction in emissions

The success of this informal Dialogue means that experts will have some key tangible topics to bring into the formal discussions at COP 26 in November 2021.

In this regard, the participants noted the following:

- To convene the fifth Koronivia Dialogue in the first quarter of 2021 for further discussions in the run-up to COP 26
- To define a common understanding of KJWA's role and its added value

FAO will continue supporting the process and welcomed the idea of convening similar informal global dialogues and regional workshops in the lead up to COP26.

Furthermore, FAO invited experts to express their additional needs to advance KJWA discussions.

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