

## 26th Session of the Committee on Forestry

### Item 7.1 Action Plan for the implementation of the FAO Strategy on Climate Change 2022-2031

At its 166th Session (26-30 April 2021), FAO's Council requested the development of a new FAO Strategy on Climate Change, following the recommendation made by the FAO Office of Evaluation in its recent Evaluation of FAO's contribution to Sustainable Development Goal (SDG 13 on climate action) and the implementation of FAO's previous Strategy on Climate Change (2017).

FAO developed its Strategy on Climate Change 2022-31 (the Strategy) through a participatory process including internal and external consultations with FAO experts in headquarters and Decentralized Offices, FAO Senior Management, FAO Members and Governing Bodies, and key partners. The 133rd Session of the Programme Committee (16-20 May 2022) considered the final draft of the Strategy on Climate Change and the 170th Council (13-17 June 2022) endorsed it. In its conclusions, the Council highlighted the importance of mobilizing additional resources and developing an action plan for its effective implementation.

In order to track and report on progress achieved under the Strategy on Climate Change, the Action Plan will comprise outcomes, outputs, indicators, targets, timelines and responsibilities. The Action Plan will be a living document to be developed and regularly updated and to the extent possible, it should reflect sectoral as well as regional needs, priorities and initiatives for climate action in the agrifood systems.

The COFO/2022/5.1 document is the starting point to develop an Action Plan that will support the operationalization and implementation of the Strategy on Climate Change 2022-2031. The document presents the outcomes as described in the Strategy and suggests draft outputs based on the areas of action defined in the Strategy's section IV "Three pillars for enhanced action". Linkages between the proposed outputs and Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) targets, FAO Programme Priority Areas (PPAs) and FAO Core Functions are also presented. The Action Plan will be complemented by a results framework with indicators, targets, deliverables, responsibilities and timelines fully aligned with FAO's results framework established in the FAO Strategic Framework 2022-31.

The proposed duration of the Action Plan is 4 years (2022-2025).

The Committee is invited to:

- provide guidance, as deemed appropriate.

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