

A Global Agenda of Action

Introduction and history

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Chronology of the efforts to develop a global livestock action agenda

- ▶ Recent set of major publications on livestock and global public goods;
 - **FAO: Livestock's Long Shadow, Livestock in a Changing Landscape, Livestock in a Balance (SOFA) and World Bank: Minding the Stock.**
- ▶ Preparatory Meetings
 - **SDC: Switzerland, Representation on Livestock in a Changing Landscape**
 - **Dutch Ministry of Agriculture Nature and Food Quality (side event of FAO/Committee for Agriculture Rome);**
- ▶ Creation of Dialogue Group for **Responsible Livestock Sector Development**

Dialogue Group at FAO/COAG meeting

June 16, 2010

- ▶ Representatives of countries with diverse livestock sectors
 - Brazil: Domestic and export supply;
 - Ethiopia: Livelihoods;
 - India: Livelihoods and domestic supply;
 - Netherlands: Value adding and export;
 - New Zealand: Export.
- ▶ Representatives of FAO and World Bank
- ▶ Main purpose:
- ▶ ***“to get sustainable livestock development back on the international agenda”***

Main agreements/recommendations

- ▶ Side event:
 - Reiterated the crucial place for livestock development for income and food security and the challenges of sustainability for the environment and public health.
- ▶ FAO COAG:
 - “FAO engage in consultations to establish a global dialogue with a wide range of stakeholders to sharpen the definition of the livestock sector’s objectives and to identify issues that could require intergovernmental action”
- ▶ Agreement on preparation Concept Note for the Hague meeting
 - Financing Dutch Ministry of Economic Affairs, Agriculture, Nature and Innovation

The Hague Meeting

October 31 – November 1, 2010

- ▶ In parallel to the Government of the Netherlands /WB/FAO meeting “**Global Agriculture, Food Security and Climate Change**”
- ▶ Combined with side event of FAO on “Livestock and climate change: Issues and options”
 - **Focus on mitigation AND adaptation under different environments**

The Need for Action

- ▶ Continued attention to the livestock sector is critical to:
 - Safeguard the livelihoods of one billion poor;
 - Safeguard the commercial livestock sector as an integral part of the world's food system and an engine of growth;
 - Ensure healthy and balanced diets to future generations;
- ▶ But also to reduce:
 - Environmental impact;
 - Public health risk; and
 - Social and economic exclusion.

Do we still have the natural resources for meat and milk in 2050?

Concept Note for the Hague Meeting

▶ Proposal

- **Establishment of Platform for Responsible Livestock Sector Development;**

▶ Vision:

- **“ Responsible livestock sector development, which preserves the environment and the natural resource base, is socially inclusive, contributes to viable economic growth and minimizes the public health risks from emerging and endemic zoonotic and food-borne diseases”.**

Focus and Functions

- ▶ Proposed focus:
 - Enhancing efficiency of resource use (feed, water, energy) in global livestock sector value chains; with clear linkages to:
 - Other environmental impacts;
 - Competitiveness and market access;
 - Public health risks.
- ▶ Through:
 - Strategic analyses and collation of information and knowledge;
 - Sharing of knowledge and practices through dialogue, dissemination and capacity building; and
 - Application and piloting of principles and approaches.

Means and products

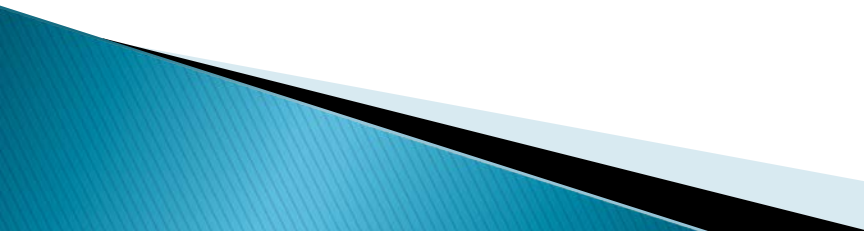
- ▶ **A multi-stakeholder platform supported by:**
 - independent panels of specialists; and
 - a secretariat

- ▶ **Potential products:**
 - (i) comprehensive database and information systems;
 - (ii) policy advice;
 - (iii) support for pilot projects;
 - (iv) investment guidelines; and
 - (v) advocacy.

Short term Follow-up

- ▶ Dialogue Group to retain oversight of preparatory phase
 - Jimmy Smith (World Bank) to remain chair of the Group
 - Next meeting in Brazil also to decide on future organizational form
- ▶ Secretariat (FAO) to prepare detailed plan for Agenda of Action
 - for consultations, regional “road shows”, broadening participation, and resource mobilization.
 - with financial support from Dutch Ministry of Economic Affairs, Agriculture, Nature and Innovation.
- ▶ First consultation with all stakeholders in Brazil
 - On invitation of the Ministry of Agriculture, Livestock and Food Supply and EMBRAPA
- ▶ Planned delivery of program in September 2011.

Follow-up in Brasilia May 18-20

- ▶ 70 representatives from all stakeholder groupings;
 - ▶ Large number of technical and stakeholder presentations focused resource use efficiency in the livestock sector
 - Impressive progress made, in particular in Brazil
 - ▶ Highlighted the importance of regional differences in livestock systems, the importance of policies, and the large number of initiatives already on-going
 - ▶ Justifies the establishment of platform to bring stakeholders together.
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Outcome: Brasilia Consensus to establish Agenda of Action

Vision:

- ▶ Sustainable livestock sector development which contributes to food and nutritional security – in a context of rapidly growing demand and resource scarcity –, enhances its contribution to broad-based economic growth, livelihoods and wellbeing of actors in the livestock sector, uses natural resources efficiently, recognizes regional diversity, and contributes to the health and welfare of human and animal populations.”

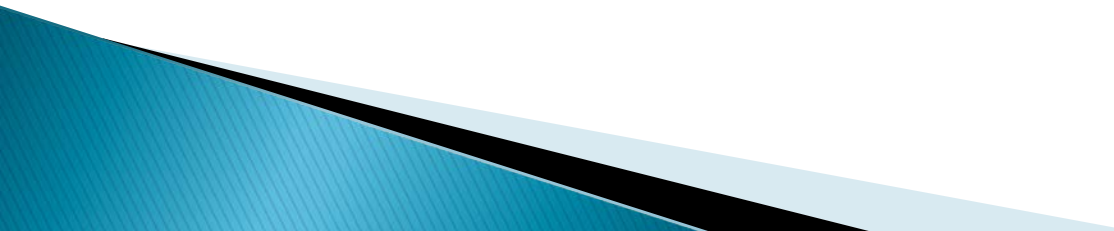
Scope:

- ▶ Global, covering all major livestock sector systems, stakeholders, and related value chains.

Thematic focus

- ▶ improvement of resource–use efficiency in the global livestock sector to support livelihoods, long–term food security and economic growth while safeguarding other environmental and public health outcomes

Mission and function:

- ▶ Strategic analyses, including policy and institutional analyses, methodology and investment
 - ▶ Generation and sharing of local and global knowledge, experiences, and practices through R&D, dialogue, and dissemination;
 - ▶ Promotion of capacity building;
 - ▶ Support to the piloting of new approaches within livestock sector systems, stakeholders, and related value chains to test, validate, and transfer practices;
 - ▶ Advocacy, including the promotion of sustainable livestock sector development within existing inter-governmental and other processes.
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Governance

- ▶ Not yet discussed in detail:
 - Some elements
 - Multi-stakeholder platform
 - Steering committee with representation of international stakeholders (NGO's Private sector, international organizations, donors)
 - FAO to have secretariat for preparation of initial phase.

Thank you

Developing a global agenda of action for responsible livestock development. Brasilia May 17-20,2011,

Outcome sought

- ▶ A **change in behavior** that enhances the sustainability of livestock source food value chains.

And the medium term follow-up..

- ▶ Presenting the Plan of Action in COP 17 in Durban (November 28–December 9, 2011)???
 - Major opportunity to gain increased attention of policy makers on opportunities of sector contribution to mitigation and adaptation, but:
 - Are we ready?
- ▶ Presenting first findings at follow-up meeting to the “The Hague conference” in Hanoi, February 2012.