

The Global Dairy Agenda for Action

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About GDAA

- *Global Dairy Agenda for Action* is a statement of commitment made by the global dairy sector to reduce greenhouse gas emissions as part of its contribution to help address global warming
- It was signed on *24 September 2009* in Berlin, Germany by seven organizations from the dairy sector
- In the *context* of the challenge to produce more with fewer resources, and positively contribute to global mitigation efforts

About GDAA

Meet the coalition

- International Dairy Federation (IDF)
- Global Dairy Platform (GDP)
- Sustainable Agricultural Initiative (SAI) Platform
- European Dairy Association (EDA)
- Eastern and Southern African Dairy Association (ESADA)
- Pan American Dairy Federation (FEPALE)

Together, they represent 86 % of total global production

⇒ a truly a global industry approach



What we committed to

Commitment	
One	<i>Promote the development of a standard methodology framework for assessing the carbon footprint of milk and dairy products based on robust science</i>
Two	<i>Promote adoption of the world's best mitigation practices within the global dairy sector</i>
Three	<i>Seek to advance the establishment of tools to facilitate measurement and monitoring of emissions both on farm and in dairy manufacturing</i>
Four	<i>Promote improved farmer understanding of agricultural emissions and opportunities to reduce greenhouse gas emissions on the farm</i>
Five	<i>Support sharing information and aligning research efforts to develop cost effective mitigation technologies for both on farm and manufacturing application</i>

Supporting evidence

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Welcome

Dairy Agenda for Action

Green Paper

- Emissions reductions
- Energy efficiency
- Transport efficiency
- Reduction in loss of milk
- Resource efficiency
- Life cycle assessment and management
- Other areas
- Green Paper Search Engine
- Guidance for submissions to the Green Paper

Fact Sheets

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Green Paper

Online catalogue of initiatives

Search through the Green Paper

Submit your Case Study

The global dairy industry is committed to providing consumers with the nutritious dairy products they want, in a way that is economically viable, environmentally sound and socially responsible. Accordingly the industry has a shared commitment to address the challenge to reduce greenhouse gas emissions.

A 'Green Paper' has been created to provide evidence of the industry's commitment. The Green Paper catalogues online initiatives illustrating the continuous improvements already made and in progress along the whole of the dairy supply chain.

The Green Paper has 385 initiatives catalogued under six primary areas:

- [Emission reductions](#)
- [Energy efficiency](#)
- [Transport efficiency](#)
- [Reduction in loss of milk and milk products](#)
- [Resource efficiency](#) and
- [Life cycle analysis and Management](#)

Welcome to the Dairy Sustainability Website

The Global Dairy Agenda for Action is the industry's commitment to making a positive contribution to the global action in addressing climate change. The Agenda for Action brings together the global dairy industry and its partners, who are committed to working together to improve the environmental performance of the dairy sector for a more sustainable future.

[Visit the website](#)

Dairy Agenda for Action The dairy industry's commitment to address climate change. read more	Green Paper Collection of initiatives to create a sustainable dairy industry. read more	FIL-IDF LCA Guide IDF Guide to Standard Lifecycle Assessment: Methodology for the Dairy Sector. visit
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Continuous reporting

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The screenshot displays the Dairy Sustainability Initiative website. On the left, a navigation menu includes: Welcome, Dairy Agenda for Action, Green Paper (with sub-items: Emissions reductions, Energy efficiency, Transport efficiency, Reduction in loss of milk, Resource efficiency, Life cycle assessment and management, Other areas, Green Paper Search Engine, Guidance for submissions to the Green Paper), Fact Sheets, Press room, and Events. The main content area features a 'Green Paper' section with a search bar and introductory text. A right-hand sidebar contains a 'Welcome to the Dairy Sustainability Website' message, a 'Visit the website' button, and three quick links: 'Dairy Agenda for Action', 'Green Paper', and 'FIL-IDF LCA Guide'. The background of the right-hand section shows a dairy farm with cows and silos.

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Lessons learnt

- The dairy sector's efforts do not happen in isolation and we value the power of partnership
- Conviction that major achievements can only happen if there is substantial, concerted and international collaboration on mitigation
- Continued investment in research, development and knowledge transfer is required
- Call to policy makers
 - A supportive policy environment is required
 - Take into account the wide diversity of dairying systems across the world

In conclusion

- Climate sustainability has become integral in our daily practices and decisions.
- Our progress supports the conviction that dairy offers a high nutrient density and should continue to be a preferred source of nutrition
- The GDAA provides a positive example on how sector-based collaborative agreements can work in practice to complement government climate change agreements
- GDAA's ongoing progress will be reported biannually during the IDF World Dairy Summit – next progress report at WDS 2013 in Japan

Thank you

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