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

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<td>Promote the development of a standard methodology framework for assessing the carbon footprint of milk and dairy products based on robust science</td>
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<td>Promote adoption of the world’s best mitigation practices within the global dairy sector</td>
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<td>Seek to advance the establishment of tools to facilitate measurement and monitoring of emissions both on farm and in dairy manufacturing</td>
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<td>Promote improved farmer understanding of agricultural emissions and opportunities to reduce greenhouse gas emissions on the farm</td>
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<td>Support sharing information and aligning research efforts to develop cost effective mitigation technologies for both on farm and manufacturing application</td>
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Supporting evidence
www.dairy-sustainability-initiative.org
Amplitude of our engagement

Six Categories

- Emission reductions
- Energy efficiency
- Transport efficiency
- Reduction in loss of milk and milk products
- Resource efficiency
- Life cycle analysis and management

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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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