

PFM, GAFF and AEF statements on item agenda IV Global Interlinkages Dialogues – CFS 51

On behalf of the PFM:

- Thank you Chair for giving us the floor. The Philanthropic Foundations Mechanism is very pleased to take the floor as a group, as we are organizing ourselves to coordinate the private philanthropic sector's engagement with the critical work of the Committee on World Food Security
- On behalf of the Mechanism, I'd like to express that we welcome the CFS' efforts to enhance its engagement with other UN processes that influence food security and nutrition. There is a pressing need for better coordination among these processes, and the CFS should continue to lead global discussions on food governance.
- The philanthropic sector is actively participating in the SDG Agenda and is showing increased interest in supporting civil society engagement in discussions at the interaction between food systems with climate and with biodiversity.

On behalf of the Global Alliance for the Future of Food and the Agroecology Fund - two of our members:

- At this COP28, the philanthropic sector has set several objectives: (a) to reiterate the close links between food systems and fossil fuels; (b) to showcase the necessity of disentangling food systems from fossil fuels on a global scale; (c) to catalyze momentum for the transformation of food systems within the climate and energy community; and (d) to rally actors behind the vision of comprehensive food systems transformation.
- In the context of climate discussions, the philanthropic sector is developing a shared vision and an action plan to accelerate the shift towards sustainable and equitable food systems. Our ultimate goal is to deliver a roadmap by COP28 that identifies the financing required, addresses barriers, and builds confidence among investors to make ambitious investments in this transition. Post-COP28, we intend to further accelerate this transformation and translate our vision into practical solutions that can be implemented on the ground.
- We also praised that the new Global Biodiversity Framework, adopted in the last COP15 of the Convention on Biological Diversity, recognizes agroecological approaches as contributing to the resilience and long-term efficiency and productivity of food systems, simultaneously tackling the challenges of food security and biodiversity conservation.
- Together with a diverse constellation of partners, we were deeply involved in ensuring that agroecology is not only recognized as part of a GBF Target but is also considered as a relevant approach to multiple targets, in line with what the CFS policy recommendations on agroecology and other innovative approaches stresses.
- Following the adoption of the Global Biodiversity Framework, we initiated collaborations with on-ground partners to support the incorporation of a food systems approach into the implementation of National Biodiversity Action Plans. We aim to assist national decision-

makers with guidance for the successful implementation of their NBSAPs, leveraging agroecology and agricultural biodiversity, and fostering convergence with other approaches. This will be achieved through a combination of forging insights, convening, and inciting action.