

OFFICIAL FEEDBACK FORM

DIALOGUE DATE	Thursday, 8 April 2021 16:30 GMT +09:00
DIALOGUE TITLE	Japan National Food Systems Dialogue on the Measures for achievement of Decarbonization and Resilience with Innovation (MeaDRI) with Land Improvement Related Parties
CONVENED BY	Mr. Makoto OSAWA, Vice-Minister for International Affairs, Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries of Japan, Convenor of Japan
DIALOGUE EVENT PAGE	https://summitdialogues.org/dialogue/20932/
DIALOGUE TYPE	Member State
GEOGRAPHICAL FOCUS	Japan

The outcomes from a Food Systems Summit Dialogue will be of use in developing the pathway to sustainable food systems within the locality in which they take place. They will be a valuable contribution to the national pathways and also of interest to the different workstreams preparing for the Summit: the Action Tracks, Scientific Groups and Champions as well as for other Dialogues.

1. PARTICIPATION

TOTAL NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS

7

PARTICIPATION BY AGE RANGE

0-18

19-30

31-50

51-65

66-80

80+

PARTICIPATION BY GENDER

7 Male

Female

Prefer not to say or Other

NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS IN EACH SECTOR

Agriculture/crops

Fish and aquaculture

Livestock

Agro-forestry

Environment and ecology

Trade and commerce

Education

Communication

Food processing

Food retail, markets

Food industry

Financial Services

Health care

Nutrition

National or local government

Utilities

Industrial

7 Other

NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS FROM EACH STAKEHOLDER GROUP

Small/medium enterprise/artisan

Large national business

Multi-national corporation

Small-scale farmer

Medium-scale farmer

Large-scale farmer

Local Non-Governmental Organization

International Non-Governmental Organization

Indigenous People

2 Science and academia

Workers and trade union

Member of Parliament

Local authority

Government and national institution

Regional economic community

United Nations

International financial institution

5 Private Foundation / Partnership / Alliance

Consumer group

Other

2. PRINCIPLES OF ENGAGEMENT

HOW DID YOU ORGANIZE THE DIALOGUE SO THAT THE PRINCIPLES WERE INCORPORATED, REINFORCED AND ENHANCED?

HOW DID YOUR DIALOGUE REFLECT SPECIFIC ASPECTS OF THE PRINCIPLES?

DO YOU HAVE ADVICE FOR OTHER DIALOGUE CONVENORS ABOUT APPRECIATING THE PRINCIPLES OF ENGAGEMENT?

3. METHOD

The outcomes of a Dialogue are influenced by the method that is used.

DID YOU USE THE SAME METHOD AS RECOMMENDED BY THE CONVENORS REFERENCE MANUAL?

Yes

No

MAFF held the dialogue with land improvement related parties for developing the new strategy for realizing both the productivity improvement and sustainability through innovation, called "Measures for achievement of Decarbonization and Resilience with Innovation (MeaDRI)". MAFF explained the outline of a draft of MeaDRI to the stakeholders, followed by the expression of views of the stakeholders on challenges and opportunities for sustainable food systems associated with the strategy.

4. DIALOGUE FOCUS & OUTCOMES

MAJOR FOCUS

The expression of views of the stakeholders on challenges and opportunities for sustainable food systems associated with the new strategy, "MeaDRI."

ACTION TRACKS

- Action Track 1: Ensure access to safe and nutritious food for all
- Action Track 2: Shift to sustainable consumption patterns
- Action Track 3: Boost nature-positive production
- Action Track 4: Advance equitable livelihoods
- Action Track 5: Build resilience to vulnerabilities, shocks and stress

KEYWORDS

- Finance
- Innovation
- Human rights
- Women & Youth Empowerment
- Policy
- Data & Evidence
- Governance
- Trade-offs
- Environment and Climate

MAIN FINDINGS

The main remarks of the participants are as follows:

- It is desirable to increase the added value and brand of agricultural products from the environmental perspective as well as to protect farmland, water, and the rural environment.
- A tour of small hydroelectric power plants is held every year for local parents and children. It has become a place for the environment education and, at the same time, has also led to the spread and enlightenment of renewable energy.
- Aiming for a carbon-free society, it is essential to promote the introduction of renewable energy including small hydroelectric power generation.
- With the clear purpose of "increasing the food for storks (an endangered species)", we cultivate paddy field without relying on pesticides or chemical fertilizers. Also, we implement the water management such as maintaining water-laden paddy during winter.
- Although the yield of pesticide-free cultivation is lower than that of conventional cultivation, it is estimated that the gross profit will be 1.5 times more than that of conventional cultivation because the material cost is low and the purchase price is high.
- As it takes a lot of time and effort, however, we are proceeding with the pesticide-free farming with the cooperation of the Agricultural Development and Extension Center.
- We have conducted a tour of rice planting experience and creature survey. This effort could attract, local people and has led to stable practices of environmentally friendly agriculture and revitalization in the region.
- We are conducting research to develop an energy-independent system by adjusting the supply and demand balance of renewable energy in agricultural, mountain and fishing villages. We consider contributing to not only zero emissions but also disaster resilience and the realization of a decentralized society.
- By appropriately controlling a series of water irrigation systems from water source to farmland and drainage destination based on weather information and water source information, we are proceeding with research to avoid crop damage due to floods and drought and contribute to mitigation of disasters in an entire region.
- In order to implement new technologies in society, it is necessary to improve the ICT literacy of those who use the technology and to closely cooperate between the policy making side and the technology development side. In addition, it is necessary to participate in international rule making.

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OUTCOMES FOR EACH DISCUSSION TOPIC

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AREAS OF DIVERGENCE

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