

OFFICIAL FEEDBACK FORM

DIALOGUE DATE	Thursday, 8 July 2021 09:00 GMT +02:00
DIALOGUE TITLE	What Processes are in Place to Reduce Biodiversity Loss and Promote Conservation
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DIALOGUE EVENT PAGE	https://summitdialogues.org/dialogue/40209/
DIALOGUE TYPE	Member State
GEOGRAPHICAL FOCUS	Botswana

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

18

PARTICIPATION BY AGE RANGE

0 0-18

0 19-30

8 31-50

10 51-65

0 66-80

0 80+

PARTICIPATION BY GENDER

10 Male

8 Female

0 Prefer not to say or Other

NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS IN EACH SECTOR

3 Agriculture/crops

0 Fish and aquaculture

0 Livestock

0 Agro-forestry

0 Environment and ecology

0 Trade and commerce

1 Education

0 Communication

7 Food processing

0 Food retail, markets

0 Food industry

0 Financial Services

0 Health care

0 Nutrition

5 National or local government

1 Utilities

0 Industrial

1 Other

NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS FROM EACH STAKEHOLDER GROUP

0 Small/medium enterprise/artisan

0 Large national business

0 Multi-national corporation

0 Small-scale farmer

0 Medium-scale farmer

0 Large-scale farmer

4 Local Non-Governmental Organization

0 International Non-Governmental Organization

0 Indigenous People

1 Science and academia

0 Workers and trade union

0 Member of Parliament

0 Local authority

12 Government and national institution

0 Regional economic community

0 United Nations

0 International financial institution

0 Private Foundation / Partnership / Alliance

0 Consumer group

1 Other

2. PRINCIPLES OF ENGAGEMENT

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

A diverse range of stakeholders interacted to form opinions highlighted in this track submission. Every opinion was recognised for the transformation and success of Botswana food systems. The aim of such a multi-faceted approach was the recognition that food systems are complex and require a systemic approach. The desire is to transform our consultations from previously parallel approaches to inclusive and participatory approaches that improve the already established processes of governance and allow the formation of new ones. Through this process, priorities of action were identified.

HOW DID YOUR DIALOGUE REFLECT SPECIFIC ASPECTS OF THE PRINCIPLES?

Participants were from different sectors and stakeholder groups, and from different age categories.

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

Embracing the principles ensures collective accountability and collective action by all. It also creates a sense of ownership among different stakeholders, with regards to the priorities identified for action.

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

4. DIALOGUE FOCUS & OUTCOMES

MAJOR FOCUS

The focus was organised around the objectives of Track 3 – boost nature-positive production. National policies and programs that are related to Track 3 were discussed considering the food system in Botswana. Challenges were identified and solutions for bridging the gaps were recommended.

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

Agrochemicals: Promotion of organic farming. Central collection points for fresh produce and testing before distribution to consumers. Establishment of a regulatory body. Continuous public education on agrochemicals.
Food processing technologies for indigenous products: Continuous public education and promotion of indigenous food products. Operationalisation of the Indigenous Knowledge Systems Policy.
Entrepreneurship: Promotion of entrepreneurship for improved livelihoods. Mindset change and embracing business development by citizens. Integration of research into industry's daily businesses for development of appropriate agro-food technologies. Appropriate funding levels for processing of indigenous products. Pollution: Continuous public education on water management. Sustainable water mining. Wastewater management.
Conservation agriculture: Promotion and implementation of climate-smart technologies.
Renewable energy: Research on appropriate renewable resources. Appropriate funding levels for adoption of technologies.

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<input type="checkbox"/>	Innovation	<input type="checkbox"/>	Data & Evidence
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OUTCOMES FOR EACH DISCUSSION TOPIC

The use of agro-processing technologies that are climate-smart, coupled with conservation practices was highlighted. Business development with appropriate funding is fundamental.

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AREAS OF DIVERGENCE

None

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