

OFFICIAL FEEDBACK FORM

DIALOGUE DATE	Wednesday, 17 February 2021 16:15 GMT +09:00
DIALOGUE TITLE	Japan National Food Systems Dialogue on the Measures for achievement of Decarbonization and Resilience with Innovation (MeaDRI) with farmers (organic farming)
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/8589/
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

6

PARTICIPATION BY AGE RANGE

0-18

19-30

31-50

51-65

66-80

80+

PARTICIPATION BY GENDER

5 Male

1 Female

Prefer not to say or Other

NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS IN EACH SECTOR

3 Agriculture/crops
Fish and aquaculture
Livestock
Agro-forestry
Environment and ecology
Trade and commerce

Education
Communication
Food processing
3 Food retail, markets
Food industry
Financial Services

Health care
Nutrition
National or local government
Utilities
Industrial
Other

NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS FROM EACH STAKEHOLDER GROUP

Small/medium enterprise/artisan
1 Large national business
2 Multi-national corporation
Small-scale farmer
Medium-scale farmer
Large-scale farmer
Local Non-Governmental Organization
International Non-Governmental Organization
Indigenous People
Science and academia

Workers and trade union
Member of Parliament
Local authority
Government and national institution
Regional economic community
United Nations
International financial institution
Private Foundation / Partnership / Alliance
Consumer group
3 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 stakeholders s (including 3 Farmers) 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.

- (1) In Japan, which has different climates and environmental conditions, it is difficult to expand organic farming in grasslands and drylands as in other countries.
- (2) Although the production technology of organic farming has been almost established, the social environment is still insufficient, which is associated with logistics, distribution of agricultural land, pesticide drift, etc.
- (3) In order to expand organic farming, it is necessary to first create standards such as a 70% reduction in chemically synthesized materials and thereby attract more farmer to organic farming.
- (4) From mass production and mass consumption, the balance of supply and demand should be adjusted by appropriate production and consumption that incorporates smart agriculture.
- (5) Many customers are interested not only in organic products but also in sustainable procurement such as fair trade, FSC and MSC.
- (6) In expanding the market, it is important to increase the opportunities of seeing the organic agricultural products and create an enabling environment where those products can be purchased on a daily basis.
- (7) The reason why organic JAS (Japanese Agricultural Standards) certification has not been widespread is that while all costs are paid by the producers and they have to be inspected every year, which is costly, there is no guarantee that these organic products can be sold at a price commensurate with the cost.

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OUTCOMES FOR EACH DISCUSSION TOPIC

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- Action Track 1: Ensure access to safe and nutritious food for all
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AREAS OF DIVERGENCE

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