



THE PARIS DAIRY DECLARATION ON SUSTAINABILITY

We, representatives of the global dairy community, gathered in Paris at the World Dairy Summit, from 15 to 18 October 2024, reiterate and reinforce our commitments for a sustainable transformation of the dairy sector.

We recognise

- The 2023 UN Secretary's General Call to Action for accelerated food systems transformation as a key driver to achieve the Sustainable Development Goals;
- The role of approximately 130 million dairy farms in the provision of nutritious food to billions of consumers and livelihoods for around 1 billion people, including farmers, processors, service providers, wholesalers, retailers and others;
- The role of the dairy sector in environmental sustainability and the need to decelerate climate change;
- The 2016 Declaration of Rotterdam, through which IDF and FAO committed to the sustainable development of the dairy sector;
- That current progress falls far short of what is required to meet the targets of the 2030 Agenda.

We agree to:

- Communicate and highlight the quantified and timetabled commitments made by the dairy sector, including companies and associations, towards sustainability;
- Document and share sustainable dairy practices aligned with SDG's for wider adoption by dairy stakeholders;
- Foster and support open consultation among dairy, other stakeholders and decision-makers for making the dairy sector a proactive player in the transformative shift towards sustainable food systems.

We call upon global, regional, national and local stakeholders to:

- Recognize the critical role of the dairy sector in accelerating a sustainable transformation of food systems, from a socio-economic, environmental and public health perspective.
- Enhance public-private dialogue and collaboration for the creation of an enabling environment that supports the wide adoption of sustainable dairy practices that reflect local needs and realities.
- Support risk-taking, innovation and an incentive-driven approach for rapidly and sustainably transforming the dairy sector, whilst preserving and improving the livelihoods of dairy stakeholders and the sustainability of the entire dairy chain.

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