

Countries launch high ambition coalition to transform food systems

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A group of countries including Brazil, Cambodia, Norway, Rwanda and Sierra Leone launched a high-ambition coalition committed to urgently transforming their own and the world's food and land use systems. These countries aim to deliver better outcomes on food across adaptation and resilience, climate mitigation, food and nutrition security, equity and livelihoods, and nature and biodiversity. This commitment is significant because it includes defined goals, an accountability mechanism, and a deadline. Countries have pledged to update their national climate plans, including clear and measurable targets by COP30 in 2025, and report annually on progress.

Co-chaired by Brazil, Norway and Sierra Leone, the Alliance of Champions for Food Systems Transformation was unveiled in Dubai. The alliance was launched just ten days after 134 countries announced they had signed the Emirates Declaration on Sustainable Agriculture, Resilient Food Systems, and Climate Action.

This vanguard group of countries, spanning the global south and north and representing a variety of food systems, is committed to a whole-of-government approach within national borders. Recognizing that transforming food systems will look different in every country, members aim to collaborate, share lessons and knowledge, and accelerate innovation to work better for people, nature and climate.