

Key Messages for Conversations with Government and UN Ambassadors

- The challenge of providing sustainable and equitable food security to all humanity without degrading our natural resources and environment is a significant concern for us all.
- 30% of the global population lack year-round access to adequate food. Therefore, any efforts to improve food systems must address and scientifically outline how they will sustainably reduce this number.
- The global livestock sector comprises over 1.3 billion farmers, ranchers, producers, processors and companies around the world ranging from small holders to large operations, all of whom are playing an essential role in the current food system, providing critical nutrition for millions around the world.
- There is no one-size fits all solution to this challenge, and it is vital that countries can pursue practical and inclusive initiatives that address mutually supportive economic, social and environmental objectives.
- Nutrient dense animal-sourced foods, such as eggs and poultry meat, are critical for nutritious, environmentally sustainable, and equitable food systems.
- In rural and low-income settings, where high-quality protein may be scarce, eggs and poultry have been scientifically proven to reduce stunting and other nutritional challenges
- In emerging markets and low-income areas, dual purpose poultry (meat and eggs) can guarantee access to high quality, nutritious and affordable protein, while also providing an income source to support small-holder families.
- The egg and poultry industries are committed to producing nutritious foods in environmentally sound and responsible ways. This has been demonstrated through the International Egg Commission's Global Initiative for Sustainable Eggs and the International Poultry Council's Declaration of Sao Paulo. **[Add further information of country/ business level initiatives which showcase sustainability leadership]**
- Without hunger, malnutrition and affordability at the core of our work, we risk developing systems which meet the needs of those whose needs have already been met. As complete proteins, poultry and eggs provide a solution as healthy and affordable sources of all the essential amino acids our bodies need.
- The livestock sector can help accelerate efforts to achieve the UN SDG's and deliver a healthier future for all.

UN Summit Process

- There are many stakeholders engaged in the UNFSS dialogue process to pursue singular objectives, irrespective of the negative impact their proposals may have on the breadth of important issues that need to be addressed.
- It is essential that final outputs should reflect the diversity of food production worldwide and the opportunity to strengthen the sustainability of all food systems, not just a subset that appeal to select constituencies.