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Ensuring Sustainability through a Nexus Approach: Climate Change, Trade and Food Security

Wednesday 13 December , 09:00 – 10:30**BREAKOUT ROOM 3 | BUENOS AIRES, ARGENTINA**

BACKGROUND

Ensuring sustainable food production systems for a growing world population is a formidable challenge, particularly in the face of climate change. Securing food for all requires a multi-pronged strategy encompassing climate resilient agriculture, integrated supply chains, free and fair food trade, value addition and above all an enabling and integrated policy framework.

While there is an increasing demand for processed foods, developing countries continue to export mainly bulk commodities as they lack necessary infrastructure, skills, technology and investment. Assuring market for agricultural commodities would help raise farmer's income, allowing them to integrate newer technologies and improve their household food security.

Multi-stakeholder approaches are needed to better understand the nexus between food and agriculture, climate change and trade policies. This should also be recognised at the multilateral level, particularly at the WTO and UNFCCC, where policy makers and negotiators should aim for climate-aware, trade-driven and food-security enhancing outcomes.

In this session, dialogue among experts, practitioners and negotiators from across climate change, environment, agriculture and trade will throw light on the nexus between these issues and help inform a more inclusive policy-making for sustainable food systems.

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