

**MEDIA ADVISORY
6TH JUNE**

ACTION HAPPENING TODAY

Climate Action in Food Systems NOW!

WHEN: June 6, 2024 | Thursday | 12-12:30 PM (Bonn)

WHERE: Location 5 (near lower level escalators and cafeteria)

WHO: Global Campaign to Demand Climate Justice

WHAT: COP28 has failed to deliver much urgent climate action to mitigate emissions from our food systems and build climate-resilient food systems. This action will call for urgent action on food systems for climate justice.

BACKGROUND: Our food systems are already experiencing negative impacts from higher temperatures, drought, more variable rainfall, invasive pests, and more frequent extreme weather events, which will only worsen as climate change accelerates.

At the same time, our current global food system is responsible for one-third of human-caused greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions globally and accounts for at least 15% of fossil fuel use annually. The Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change in its Sixth Assessment Cycle mitigation report emphasizes that “even if fossil fuel emissions were eliminated immediately, food system emissions alone would jeopardize the achievement of the 1.5°C target and threaten the 2°C target”. **Without transformation of our food systems, the targets of Paris and Kunming-Montreal Agreement, and Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) are unattainable.**

We need to radically change our food systems and phase out of industrial agriculture to transition from carbon-intensive, corporate-dominated agricultural systems to humane, just, sustainable, and climate-resilient agroecological food systems. We must accelerate the just transition to locally and democratically-governed food systems that mitigate greenhouse gas emissions, promote biodiversity, protect animal welfare, empower workers, and advance food sovereignty, ensuring adequate, healthy, and accessible food for all, especially meeting communities' staple needs for domestic consumption.

(Good photo and interview opportunity for media)

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