Priorities for FAO in the region under the FAO Strategic Framework 2022-31

Senior Officials Meeting 26-28 March 2024

Theme: Resilient agrifood systems and inclusive rural transformation
FAO Strategic Framework 2022-31

• 43rd FAO Conference endorsed Medium-Term Plan (Reviewed) 2022-25, Programme of Work and Budget 2024-25

• 20 Programme Priority Areas (PPAs) articulate FAO’s thematic, technical comparative advantage

• Regional Priorities elaborated within the context of relevant PPAs and Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)

• Regional Foresight Exercise implemented to accelerate strategic thinking
Priority areas of work in 2024-25 and beyond

• Four Regional Priorities:
  ✓ Sustainable agrifood production systems
  ✓ Efficient and equitable food and nutrition systems
  ✓ Climate action and sustainable natural resource management
  ✓ Building resilience, ending poverty

• Aligned with the four betters, 20 PPAs and respective SDG targets

• Brings systems approach to enhance strategic positioning of FAO
Accelerators, cross cutting issues, corporate initiatives

• Continue to focus on accelerators: innovation, technology, data, complements

• Ensure cross-cutting issues - gender, youth, inclusion - reflected in all FAO’s work

• Build on regional dialogues and consultations to support Members

• Scale up corporate initiatives
  ✓ Revise business model for the Hand-in-Hand Initiative (HiHI)
  ✓ One Country One Priority Product (OCOP) - strengthen areas of complementarity with HiHI and Digital Village Initiative
  ✓ Expand portfolio in the Digital Village Initiative
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• Integrated work planning process for implementing FAO Strategic Framework
• Interactive results-based management framework
• Draw on data and expertise from the entire organization
• Collaborative work with partners
  ✓ African Union to support the Post-Malabo Framework
  ✓ Science and Innovation Action Plan, climate change and biodiversity strategies
  ✓ African Agribusiness Leadership Dialogue and Civil Society Consultation
  ✓ Multi-lateral financial institutions
  ✓ UN Development System repositioning
Matters brought to attention of the Regional Conference

Members to:

• Take note of efforts to implement the FAO Strategic Framework 2022-31, corporate strategies and initiatives

• Recognize the regional programmatic approach and how it sharpens FAO’s work

• Encourage members to provide an enabling environment and complementary investments for scaling up FAO corporate initiatives

• Provide guidance on priorities for FAO’s work in the Africa region
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