

## **Call for Expression of Interest** **Lima-Paris Action Agenda (LPAA) focus on Agriculture**

The Ministry of Agriculture, Agrifood and Forestry of France, as organizer for the 'LPAA Focus on Agriculture', with the support of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, is launching a new call for expression of Interest to identify possible multi-stakeholder, ambitious and concrete initiatives to be included in the LPAA.

### **The Lima-Paris Action Agenda:**

The *Lima-Paris Action Agenda* (LPAA) is a joint undertaking of the Peruvian and French COP presidencies, the Executive Office of the Secretary-General of the United Nations and the UNFCCC Secretariat.

The LPAA is the fourth pillar of the Paris "Climate Alliance", which is the proposed outcome envisaged by the French Presidency of COP21, alongside a new legal agreement for the post-2020 climate regime; the intended nationally determined contributions (INDCs); and pre-2020 as well as long-term mobilization of resources and technology support.

The LPAA seeks to catalyze, support and accelerate additional climate action on the ground by both state and non-state actors acting as individual entities or in innovative collaborative and inclusive partnerships.

The LPAA will strengthen these objectives by:

- I. Mobilizing robust, collaborative climate initiatives and engagement from non-state actors ;
- II. Providing enhanced support to existing climate initiatives, including those launched during the Climate Summit of the UN Secretary-General in September 2014;
- III. Engaging with new partners and providing a platform to increase the visibility of their actions, commitments and results in the run up to COP21.

### **Focus on Agriculture :**

Avoiding dangerous levels of climate change is essential for eradicating poverty and achieving truly sustainable development that benefits all people and the planet. Actions and multiple commitments have grown in recent years. But new and transformational action is still needed to put the world on course for a less than 2 degree and climate resilient pathway.

Agriculture is a key sector to achieve both food security and nutrition and the 2 degree target:

- According to the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC), the effects of climate change on crop and food production are already evident in several regions of the world, with more negative effects than positive ones. With increasing climate change, impacts are expected to grow, especially by the end of the century. The future increased exposure to climate risks is a significant threat to the potential for increasing food security and reducing poverty amongst low-income agricultural-dependent populations. Solutions do exist to reduce the negative impacts of climate change on food security and nutrition but effective adaptation strategies need to be scaled up.
- Agriculture and land-use change (often linked to crop and pasture expansion), are also a major source of greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions, responsible for around 24 % of total GHG emissions. It is crucial to showcase existing concrete ways to reduce greenhouse gases emissions in the sector compared to expected trends, without threatening food security.

The LPAA Focus on Agriculture at COP21 aims to show that the transition to a climate-resilient and low-GHG agriculture is feasible and already underway by showcasing existing solutions.

## **Criteria :**

The selection of initiatives presented at COP21 will be made by the Steering Committee of the LPAA (France, Peru, UNFCCC and UNSG Climate Office) and based on several criteria.

Initiatives should be :

- concrete : the initiative should contain measurable commitments, progress or results
- evidence-based: the assessment of the results must be grounded on sound science and evidence.
- ambitious : the expected impacts on the resilience and GHG emissions of food systems is to be significant

The initiatives have to focus on robust and evidence-based solutions and should contain an indication on how they will be implemented. The initiatives can be cooperative or individual ones. Multi-stakeholder initiatives and initiatives gathering the engagement of a large set of actors are particularly welcome.

The initiatives have to specify their expected transformational impacts on the food system and outline the expected progresses. Initiatives can focus on any stage of food value chains from agricultural production to final consumption.

Initiatives retained by the Steering Committee will be labeled LPAA – Agriculture.

A selection of those initiatives, taking into account geographic and sectoral balance, will be presented at the “Agriculture Action Day” organized on 1st December 2015 during COP21 in Paris.

## **Submitting an initiative:**

Potential applicants are asked to fill in and submit the dedicated form. Submissions may start from the date of publication on the web site.

Applications must be sent to : [agri.lpaa.dgpe@agriculture.gouv.fr](mailto:agri.lpaa.dgpe@agriculture.gouv.fr)

**Applications to be received by 25 September 2015.**

The list of selected initiatives will be made public at COP21.

## **Links with NAZCA.**

NAZCA - the Non-State Actor Zone for Climate Action - showcases commitments to action by companies, cities, subnational regions, and investors to address climate change. NAZCA was launched by the Peruvian Presidency of COP20/CMP10 alongside the LPAA in 2014. We also invite parties to register their commitments under the NAZCA platform (<http://climateaction.unfccc.int/>).

## Lima-Paris Action Agenda on Agriculture – Submission of Initiative

<b>1. Initiative information</b>	
Initiative name	
Lead organisation(s)	
Contact information	
Partners and financing organisation(s)	
<b>2. Description of initiative</b>	
<b>General description (500 words)</b>	
<b>Ambition and coherence with 1.5° / 2°C trajectory</b>	
<b>Expected outcomes in terms of food security and adaptation to climate-change</b>	
<b>Precise targets and milestones</b>	
What is the main focus (action, investment, knowledge, others)	
At what scale does the initiative works (local, national, regional and global)	
<b>Inclusiveness :</b> <i>How many members to date?</i> <i>Geographical area covered to date?</i> <i>What kind of members can join the initiative?</i>	
<b>Capacity to deliver :</b> <i>What is your action plan?</i> <i>Financial support secured and envisaged</i> <i>Can the partners implement the action plan by themselves?(no need for external partners)</i>	
<b>Monitoring :</b> <i>What is in place / envisaged?</i>	
<b>3. Expected deliverables and announcements for COP21</b>	
<i>a) <b>Quantitative information</b> (e.g. tCO<sub>2</sub>e GHG reduction; # of farms/entreprises committed;# action plans in place); and/or</i>	
<i>b) <b>Qualitative information</b> (e.g. does the initiative build capacity or create the conditions for climate action).</i>	
<b>Baseline</b> <i>Has the initiative established a baseline to measure its impacts? (year, indicator value)</i>	
<b>Current status</b> <i>What is the current level of impact/commitment of the initiative?</i>	
<b>Expected outcome for COP21</b> <i>What are your expected commitments for the initiative by COP21?</i> <i>What is your aspirational target of impact? (quantifiable/qualitative)? (include geographic coverage)</i> <i>Detail your timetable for announcements</i>	
<b>Future expectations</b> <i>What is your aspirational target or “dream” level of impact/commitment beyond COP21?</i> <i>How do you consider the scaling-up potential of the initiative?</i>	
<b>Registration on the NAZCA platform</b> <i>Is the initiative registered on the NAZCA platform ?</i> <i>Did partners of the initiative also register related commitments on the NAZCA platform ? (if relevant)</i>	