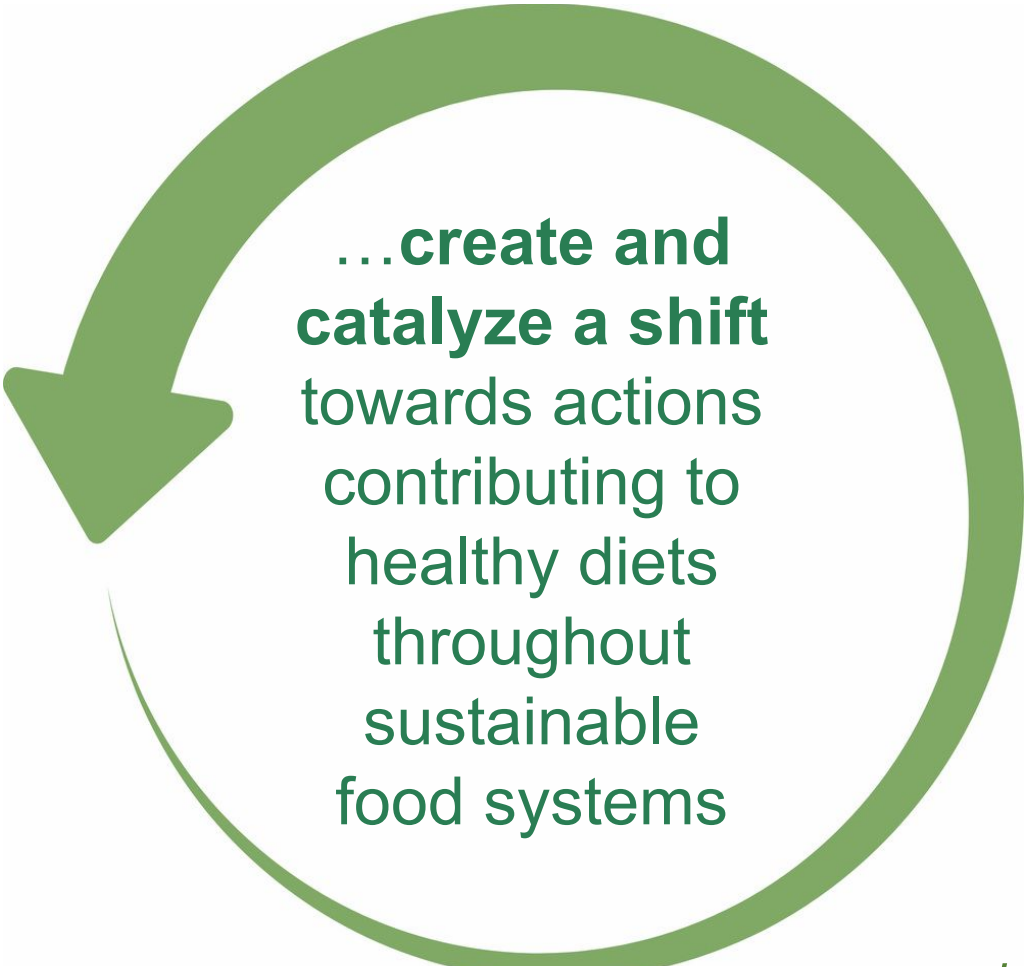


The Coalition of Action on Healthy Diets from Sustainable Food Systems (HDSFS) for Children & All

September 2025



The HDSFS Coalition aims to...



...**create and catalyze a shift**
towards actions
contributing to
healthy diets
throughout
sustainable
food systems

*through 3 **FUNCTIONS***

1

Facilitate **stakeholder coordination** to align policies and actions across food systems at country level

2

Spark engagement through **advocacy, knowledge management, and learning**

3

Focus areas

- Dietary considerations in Nationally Determined Contributions (NDCs)
- The integration of sustainability in dietary guidelines
- Fostering healthy diets in fragile contexts

*and these **ACTIONS***

Resource sharing

Dialogues and events

Peer-to-peer learning and networking

With the overall **OUTCOME...**

and ultimate **GOAL**



Stakeholders
implementing **coherent
and aligned strategic
policies** and actions that
promote **access,
affordability, availability
and consumption** of
healthy diets from
sustainable food systems



to realize the **VISION**

a world where all people eat healthy diets from sustainable food systems

2 ZERO
HUNGER



3 GOOD HEALTH
AND WELL-BEING



12 RESPONSIBLE
CONSUMPTION
AND PRODUCTION



13 CLIMATE
ACTION



17 PARTNERSHIPS
FOR THE GOALS



VISION >>

A world where all people eat healthy diets from sustainable food systems.

Functions

01 >> Facilitate stakeholder coordination

Facilitate stakeholder coordination to align policies and actions across food systems at country level

02 >> Advocacy

Advocacy, knowledge management, and learning

03 >> Focus Areas

- Dietary considerations in Nationally Determined Contributions (NDCs)
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Actions

Organize and participate in **healthy diets in SFS dialogues**

Raise awareness and share resources on integrating healthy diets in SFS

Peer-to-peer learning to exchange experiences among countries on **priority topics**

Mobilize members **expertise** and promote partnerships

Intermediary Outcomes

Global impact leveraged at country level via

- Renewed/established **global partnerships** to empower governments for aligned, coherent and strategic actions at **country level**
- Increased **commitment, knowledge, and opportunities** for **sharing data and evidence** among countries
- Strengthened network of support at country level through an **enabled policy environment**
- **Country level capacities and resources** for policy alignment and actions strengthened
- Enhanced **multi-sectoral dialogues** and **collaboration** at country level

Outcomes

Stakeholders implement coherent and aligned **strategic policies and actions** that promote **access, affordability, availability and consumption** of healthy diets from sustainable food systems

GOAL:

Reducing malnutrition in all forms while safeguarding the planet and contributing to the achievements of the **SDG agenda; specifically 2, 3, 12, 13, 17**



Governance

Launch 2022 May
700 participants

Principles of
Engagement
(PoE)

**Member Countries
(40)**

Steering Committee

(Partner entities &
4 countries rotating biannually:
Netherlands, Brazil, **Sierra
Leone**, Pakistan)

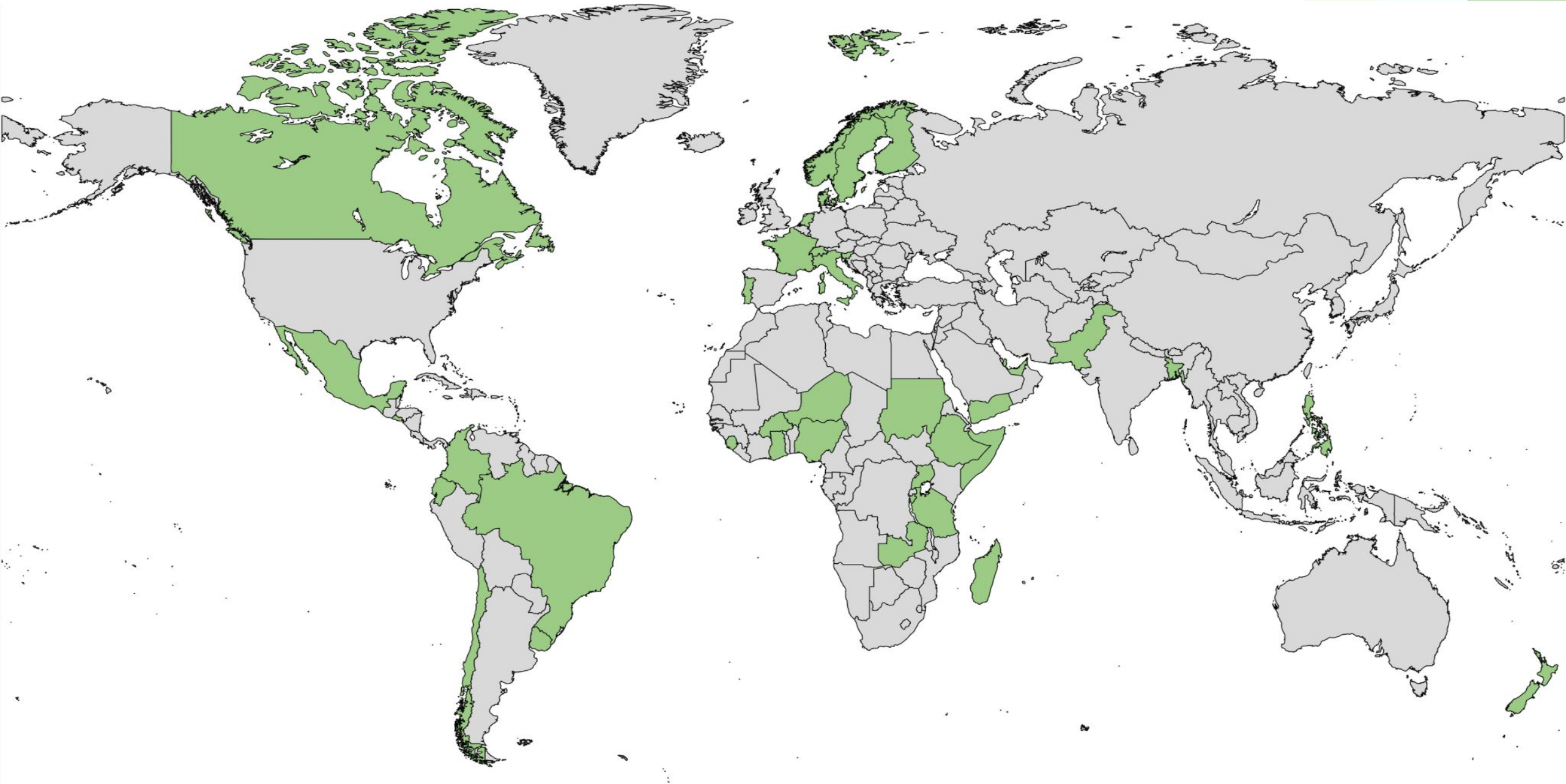
Partner entities (22)
NSA, UN, Academia,
Research institutions

UN-Secretariat

(FAO, WHO, UN-Nutrition
Secretariat)



HDSFS Member Countries and Friends of the Coalition





Members

ILRI
INTERNATIONAL
LIVESTOCK RESEARCH
INSTITUTE



Food and Agriculture Organization
of the United Nations



Centre for
Food Policy
Shaping an effective food system



UNHCR
The UN Refugee Agency



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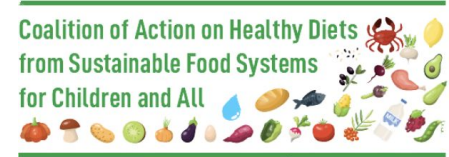
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Tanzania
Tonga
UAE
Uganda
Uruguay
Qatar
Yemen
Zambia

40



Investing in rural people



Inspiring Innovation and Leadership

Activities 2024



New partners: PATH (CSO), IFAD & UNHCR (UN)
New countries: Pakistan, Sierra Leone, Uganda, Canada



Newsletters (2)



Events, knowledge exchanges, activities

Global (2)

- CFS: *Healthy diets, sustainable futures: bridging nutrition, biodiversity and climate change policies* (90 participants)
- COP29: *Aligning Food Systems, Nutrition and Climate Action* (238 participants)

Regional (4)

- Interventions at Hub regional meetings (WFP, WHO, Yemen)
- AUDA-NEPAD home grown school feeding meeting for Southern Africa (Zambia)

Peer-to-peer learnings (3)

- April: *Strengthen food systems and improve nutrition in fragile settings* (120 participants)
- July: *Policy alignment on healthy food environments and the role of markets* (160 participants - 48 countries)
- September: *Sustainability in food systems based dietary guidelines* (200 participants - 82 countries)

Publications/Tools (1)

- Coordinated expert input from partners to the [Food Forward NDCs tool](#), which guides countries on policy options for food systems, healthy diets, and nutrition within NDCs.



Stock-take survey



**2 Member Meetings
2 Steering Committee
Meetings**

Completed events 2025 Q1-Q2



Nutrition for Growth (N4G) in Paris

Side event with School Meals Coalition
Maximizing the nutrition impact of school meals programmes (130 participants)
Member countries involved: Brazil, Norway
Partner entities involved: UNICEF, WFP, FAO, UN-Nutrition

One Planet Network Conference of the Sustainable Food Systems Programme (OPN SFSP) in Brasilia

HDSFS involved in two sessions via research partners and Member countries:

1. Solutions Workshop: *"Leveraging social protection & school meals through sustainable food procurement"*
Represented by academic partner: University of Ghana
2. Plenary Session: *"Linking food systems policies with nutrition, biodiversity & climate"*
Represented by Member country: Yemen

March

May

May

July

Rome Nutrition Week

Side event with Agroecology Coalition
Enhancing Policy Coherence Towards Delivering Healthy Diets Through Agroecological Practices: A Global Call for Integrated Action (140 participants)
Member countries involved: France, Ecuador, Sierra Leone, Switzerland
Partner entities involved: FAO, WHO, UN-Nutrition, Youth

UNFSS+4 STM Side event

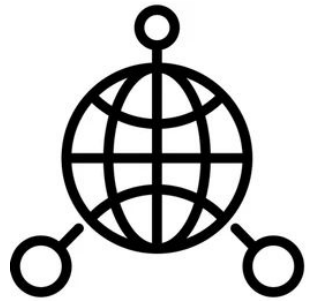
Breaking silos and fueling change: aligning nutrition and climate for food system transformation
Member countries involved: Madagascar, Netherlands, Pakistan, Brazil, UK
Partner entities involved: SUN, FAO, WHO, UN-Nutrition, Youth, UNICEF, I-CAN

Completed activities 2025 Q3



Study trip to Brazil

- **UN-Nutrition and the HDSFS Coalition, with support from Irish Aid**
From 15-20 September, 10 member countries from Asia and Africa engaged in cross-ministerial peer learning and policy exchange in Brasília, followed by participation at the School Meals Coalition Summit in Fortaleza. Report is forthcoming. Read more about the Study trip [here](#).



Engagements at global fora's

- **Committee on World Food Security (CFS) [side events](#)**
 - **21 October** - *Financing a sustainable future: Making responsible investments for healthy diets, climate action, and equity in food systems*, co-organized with I-CAN, UN-Nutrition, the Government of Brazil, DanChurchAid and others.
 - **22 October** - *Local Food Solutions for Healthy Diets: Strengthening Urban and Peri-Urban Agri-food Systems*, co-organized with UN-Nutrition, WFP, FAO, IFAD, COMIDA, COLANSA, the Government of Brazil, and others.
- **COP30** - details forthcoming. Current engagement is within shaping [Action Agenda of COP30 Presidency](#) Objective 10 and 17 where the Coalition was invited to partake.



New partners (2025)

Egyptian Food Bank (EBF), CREATS International



Newsletters (2)

Ongoing activities and plans ahead 2025 Q4



Case studies

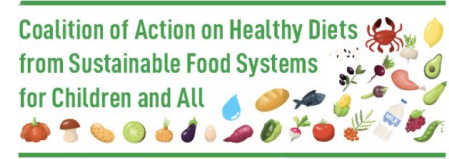
- National validation workshop process for **Ghana** and **Zambia** with UN teams and HDSFS Country Member focal points
Linking climate and nutrition policies (in collaboration with Initiative on Climate Action and Nutrition (I-CAN))
- Aligning agendas for food systems transformation with a focus on nutrition and healthy diets for **Sierra Leone** and **Pakistan** with Country Member representatives (consultants in-country)



Webinars planned

- **NDCs and diets webinar**
Nutrition and healthy diets in Nationally Determined Contributions
Collaboration with Initiative on Climate Action and Nutrition (I-CAN)

Key features of the HDSFS Coalition



- Established after the UNFSS in 2021
- Member country led
- Takes a holistic food systems approach
- Focused on ensuring healthy diets for all
- Many country focal points are from the Ministry of Health - not usual for UNFSS Coalitions
- Strong NSA Principles of Engagement
- Collaborative spirit - with other initiatives and other coalitions
- Global and country technical support

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