## ENABLING INNOVATION FOR SUSTAINABLE AGRI-FOOD DEVELOPMENT IN THE AMERICAS WITHIN A GLOBAL CONTEXT:

#### AMERICAN FARMING IN A GLOBAL FRAME

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# Challenges in agriculture

- 800 million people suffer from hunger
- ▶ 10 billion people by 2050
- Food production has to rise 70% by 2050
- Other challenges: climate change, price volatility, energy demand, ghg emissions, access to innovation, finance, technology...

#### THE AMERICAS

Agriculture is a key sector in the American Region:

- \$985 bilion to US GDP; 17.3 million jobs related to agriculture;
- ► LAC contributes to 11% of the value of world Food production; 24% of the arable land available



# WFO: WHO WE ARE

AFRICA	ASIA	EUROPE		LATIN AMERICA	NORTH AMERICA	OCEANIA
Burundi	Cambodia	Albania		Argentina	Canada	Australia
Congo	Japan	Ireland		Brazil	United States	New
Democratic Republic	Jordan	Austria Italy		Paraguay		Zealand
of Congo	Malaysia	-	embourg			
Ethiopia	South Korea	CEJA	3			
Ghana	Russia	Netherland				
Ivory Coast	United Arab	Croatia				
Kenya	Emirates	Norway				
Malawi		Cyprus Poland				
Mozambique		Republic of				
Rwanda		Spain				
South Africa		North Cyprus	Sweden			\
Tunisia		Denmark Sw	itzerland			
Uganda		Finland				
Zambia		UK				
Zimbabwe		France				
		Germany				

# WFO: WHO WE ARE

#### WFO's mission

- To represent and advocate on behalf of farmers
- To create the conditions for the adoption of policies aimed to improve the economic environment and livelihood of producers, their families, and rural communities.

#### WFO' mandate

to bring together farmers' organisations and agricultural cooperatives from all over the world, representing the global farmer community



#### What do we do...

price volatility

Extension services

environment

infrastructures

access to knowledge

Mitigation Adaptation

renewal of generations

access to credit

Contract farming

## **Innovation**

access to market

access to finance

gender disparity

social and economic stability

participation
n policy making

Livestock

## Innovation

- Source of productivity, economic growth, sustainable development
- Generational renewal
- Entrepreneurship
- Main challenges:
- Empowering rural areas
- Access to market
- Access to information

## What we do...

WFO represents the global farming community in processes/fora such as:

- Sustainable Development Goals Agenda 2030
- Climate Negotiations (COPs..)
- WTO Public Forum
- Global Alliance on Climate-Smart Agriculture
- Committee on World Food Security
- GFAR Steering Committee

# A focus on the Region: The case of Argentina

- WFO-SRA
- Workshop on « Fostering Innovation in agriculture to improve inclusive trade in the farming sector », WTO
- An example of innovation: direct seeding to adapt to climate change

# MULTI-STAKEHOLDER PARTNERSHIPS

Public institutions

Governments

**Private Sector** 

Universities and Research centers

International Organization

Civil Society

**Farmers** 

# THANK YOU!