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## **IFA Data Collection**





#### Identify opportunities and challenges

Assemble the facts

Input credible, verifiable information into the process Develop a roadmap for continual progress (BATs & FBMPs)

> Make appropriate commitments / promises

Engage in policy processes



### Food Security

#### GHG Emissions

## Competing goals?



Nitrogen fertilizers are estimated to contribute to feeding as much as half of the world's population



The fertilizer life-cycle accounts for 2 to 3% of total global greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions

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### **Putting in perspective**

Activity	Share of total global GHG emissions (%)
Agriculture	10-12
Deforestation and land-use change	12
Fertilizer (total)	2-3
Fertilizer production	0.93
Fertilizer distribution	0.07
Fertilizer use	1.5



Fertilizer Production 0.93% Direct control over emissions
Responsibility to minimize them
Economic incentive to increase energy efficiency



Now:

•Use Best Available Techniques and Best Practice Technologies

In the future: •Clean coal technologies

The manufacture of all N fertilizers together accounts for about 94% of the sector's energy use



#### Fertilizer Transportation 0.07%



Work with responsible partners to:

 Optimize logistics Optimize warehouse centralization and transportlogistic systems •Opt for modes of transport with lower carbon intensities, alternative fuels, freight consolidation and catalytic emissions abatement Shift transportation nodes Develop higher concentration products

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#### Fertilizer Use 1.5%



#### Work with farmers to:

#### Now:

Adopt Fertilizer Best Management Practices
Increase nutrient use efficiency

#### In the future:

Soil carbon sequestration Greater adoption of slow- and controlled-release fertilizers





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#### Fertilizer Use 1.5%

# Agricultural carbon sequestration

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- Decrease rate of land clearing
- Increase soil carbon sequestration
- Restore degraded land
- Stop deforestation and promote tree growth

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#### **Emissions reduction potential**

# **15%** Best Production Techniques in ammonia production

#### 25 -40%

# N<sub>2</sub>O abatement technology in nitric acid production

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### **Key Policy Messages**

- 1. Fertilizers are an essential tool to increase food production sustainably
- 2. Reducing emissions that affect climate is a priority of the fertilizer industry
- 3. Appropriate and timely policy decisions are critical to ensure desired emissions reductions

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### Advocacy

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- Agriculture in general and farmers in particular, are vital to mitigate and adapt to climate change
- Increasing farming productivity in a sustainable way and decreasing waste and losses can significantly mitigate the effects of climate change, prevent deforestation, and protect biodiversity
- Adopting proven sustainable agricultural practices can reduce greenhouse gas emissions and enhance the effect of natural carbon sinks
- Further research and innovation are essential to find the necessary adaptation and mitigation solutions

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### **COP15 COPENHAGEN**

Agriculture and Rural Development Day - 12 December 2009 University of Copenhagen

- Identify 'no-regret' priorities for agriculture and food security
- Develop a workplan to incorporate agriculture in the post-Copenhagen agenda

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Technical Committee	Agricultural Committee	Production & International Trade Committee
Fertilizer production	Fertilizer use	<b>Transport &amp; logistics</b>
<ul> <li>Promoting BATs</li> <li>Assisting in data collection</li> <li>Participating in energy/CO<sub>2</sub> and SHE benchmarks</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Researching the nitrogen cycle</li> <li>Assisting in data collection</li> <li>Promoting FBMPs</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Assisting in data collection</li> <li>Promoting optimization</li> </ul>
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