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– UN Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon

LIVESTOCK AND THE ENVIRONMENT

Global demand for livestock is projected to increase by 70% to feed a population estimated to reach 9.6 billion by 2050. However, the livestock sector is the world’s largest user of agricultural land, through grazing and the use of feed crops. It also plays a major role in climate change, management of land and water, and biodiversity. The natural resources that sustain agriculture, such as land and water, are becoming scarcer and are increasingly threatened by degradation and climate change.

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FAO facilitates and brings together a wide range of stakeholders.

- The Global Agenda for Sustainable Livestock aims at catalyzing multi-stakeholder action to improve the sector’s use of natural resources whilst ensuring its contribution to food security and livelihoods.
- The Livestock Environmental and Assessment Partnership focuses on the development of broadly recognized sector specific guidelines (metrics and methods) for measuring and monitoring the environmental impact of the livestock sector.

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- The Think.Eat.Save Reduce your Footprint campaign is a partnership between UNEP, FAO and Messe Düsseldorf to reduce food loss and waste along the entire chain of food production and consumption.

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