

## Food Systems Working Group

**Booklet of Cases** 

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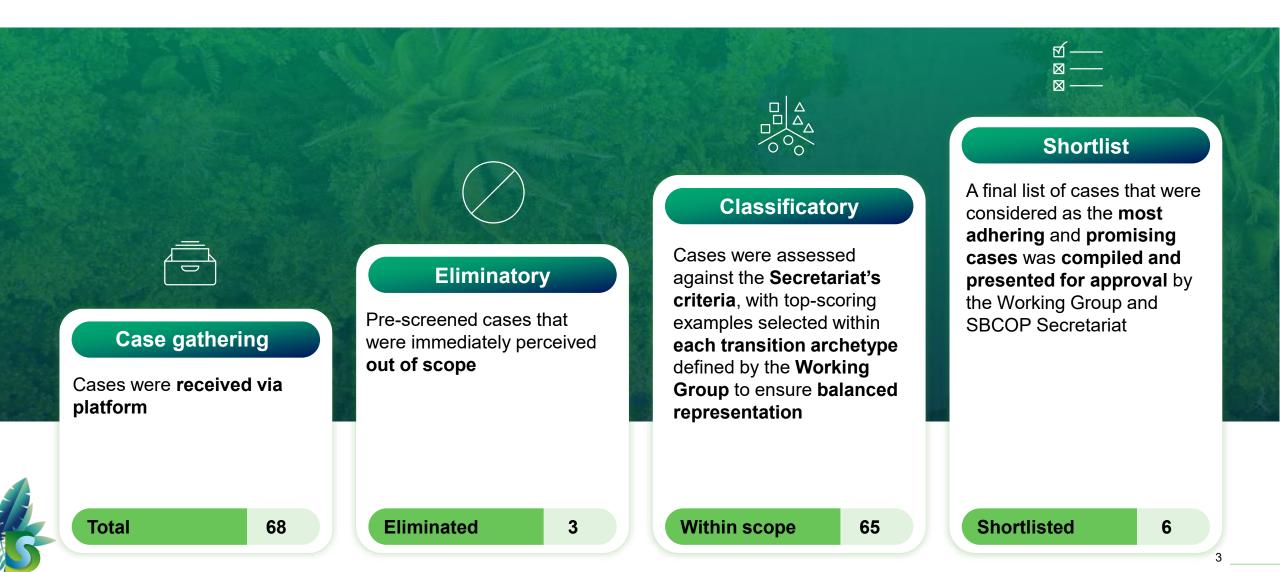






## 68 cases were received through the platform and went through a classification process, resulting in 6 shortlisted cases





### **Evaluation framework proposed by the Secretariat for case** selection





#### Scalable Emission Reduction

Contribute to emissions reductions and to achieve goals of Paris Agreement when adopted by multiple companies

Minimal or uncertain emissions

impact, with limited alignment to

Paris Agreement goals

Contributes to emissions reductions but faces scalability or impact limitations

Significantly reduces emissions and supports Paris Agreement goals when widely adopted



#### **Short-to-Medium Term Achievable**

Deliver impact within 5 years



Over 5 years to achieve impact

Up to 5 years to achieve impact

Up to 3 years to achieve impact



#### **Economic Impact**

Demonstrate returns and/or affordable implementation costs

Lacks proven financial returns, with high or unsustainable costs, making economic feasibility uncertain and requiring significant adjustments

Shows potential for returns, but they are unproven; costs are reasonable but may need optimization for sustainability

Clear and proven financial returns, with implementation costs that are both affordable and sustainable



#### **Innovative**

Close existing implementation gap, or introduce a pioneering approach

Fails to close existing implementation gaps and lacks originality, offering little to no pioneering value

Addresses some implementation gaps or incorporates innovative elements, but the approach is not entirely novel or transformative

Closes significant implementation gaps or introduces a groundbreaking, pioneering approach that sets a new standard in the field



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## To tailor the process to Food Systems, the Working Group adapted some of the criteria





**Enough data** and details were submitted to enable the assessment of against the criteria



The company is willing to share data and results with the WG and potentially more broadly, later on

#### **Contextualization for Food Systems initiatives**



#### **Scalable Emission Reduction**

Contribute to emissions reductions and to achieve goals of Paris Agreement when adopted by multiple companies

Cases that showed quantified and realized emissions reductions, preferably those that:



Use internationally recognized methodologies;

Have 3rd-party creating verifying or

auditing results

Therefore, more mature initiatives were preferred (vs. early-stage pilots). Other tracked indicators were considered a plus

Most submissions didn't include formal financial indicators, so the alternative assessment was whether the



#### **Economic Impact**

Demonstrate returns and/or affordable implementation costs



productivity / yield

initiative, when compared to mainstream practices at the farmer level, showed:



Parity or reduction in production costs AND OR

Parity or increase in farmer profitability



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## Five archetypes were prioritized based on emissions, crop and regional diversity, to enable scalable food systems transformation

**Minimizing deforestation** 

Improved agriculture management practices

Types of crops



Tree crop Livestock

Row crop



Reduce farmland expansion by sustainably increasing productivity



Improve management practices of agricultural land



Address livestock management and enteric fermentation

#### **Agroforestry systems**

#### Tropical

Oil palm, cocoa, coffee



#### Tropical

Sugarcane, soybeans

#### **Temperate**

Maize, soybeans, wheat



#### **Livestock solutions**

#### Tropical

Solutions that help reduce the expansion of pastureland and/or address enteric fermentation

#### **Temperate**

Solutions that address enteric fermentation



#### Rice methane emissions solutions

Tropical (Asia focused)

China, India





Integrated Systems (Crop-Livestock-Forestry, Crop-Livestock, Livestock-Forestry etc.)

**Tropical** 

Cattle, soy, sugarcane









## **Portfolio of Cases**

**Awards** 



# PRELIMINARY

### **Short list of selected cases**

Archetype	Region	Crop	Company	Case name	Maturity	Productivity	Profitability/Cost	GHG Impact
Agroforestry	Brazil/ Global	Coffee	Nestle	Supporting a resilient future for Brazilian coffee farming through regenerative agriculture	Mature	18% yield increase	~10% profitability increase	<b>30%</b> GHG emissions reduction
Integrated systems	Brazil	Soy, maize, beef cattle	RONCADOR	Fazenda Roncador Sistema Regenerativo Integrado Roncador - SRI	Mature	<ul><li>10% increase in bags per hectare (soybean);</li><li>21% reduction in months of slaughter age (beef cattle)</li></ul>	8% cost reduction vs standard practices (soybean)	Reduced from +17,471 tCO <sub>2</sub> e/year (2007/08) to -231,595 tCO <sub>2</sub> e/year (2019/20)
Industrial crops	USA	Cross-cutting (maize, soy, wheat, alfafa, sugarbeets)	Coil and Water	Soil & Water Outcomes Fund	Mature	<ul><li>\$33 per acre in average farmer payments;</li><li>94% reported yield parity or increase</li></ul>	<b>97.5%</b> reported profitability parity or increase	<b>403,151</b> MTCO2e sequestered since 2020
\$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$	Brazil/ Argentina	Soy, maize, cotton	B A BAYER E R	PRO Carbono	Mature	11% yield increase	<b>7%</b> profitability increase	16% increase in carbon sequestration
Rice	India	Rice	OUPL	Low Methane Rice Project	Implemented	5% yield increase	~5% profitability increase	23% of GHG emissions reduction
Livestock	Brazil	Beef cattle	(JBS)	Green Offices 2.0	Mature	<b>27%</b> productivity increase (head/ha)	29% increase in gross revenue; \$3.76 return per \$1 invested in ATER	23% of GHG emissions reduction



## Transition: Supporting a resilient future for Brazilian coffee farming through regenerative agriculture | Nestlé

## Food Systems case selection





**Crop / Product**Coffee



#### Overview



#### **Case objectives**

Support the transition of over 2,000 Brazilian coffee farms toward regenerative agriculture, embedded in Nestlé's responsible sourcing system. The program goes beyond certification by classifying farms into regenerative maturity levels and offering direct technical support



#### Institutions Involved

Nestlé Brasil; Embrapa; Rainforest Alliance; Labor Rural; EY; Agrotools



#### **WG Alignment**

Agroforestry; soil health; smallholder engagement

#### Case maturity



#### **Case Stage**



Mature generating stable results



#### Risks Involved

Limited investment funds; scarce research data; high competition; risk of low farm engagement despite profitability, potentially undermining climate goals



#### **Scalability**

Up to 2,000 supplier farms in Espírito Santo and Bahia; regenerative agriculture model applicable across farm types and sizes

#### **▶** Impact



#### **Innovative Drive**

Blends technical assistance, traceability, and conditional economic incentives into one operational model; practice adoption tracked through an educational digital platform



#### **Economic Impact**

Farmers saw up to 18% yield increase and up to 10% higher profitability per hectare due to efficient nitrogen use, composting, and soil cover (comparison between 2023 x 2024 harvest)



#### **CO2 Impact**

Coffee farm GHG emissions decreased by up to 30% comparing 2023 x 2024 harvest



**External Links:** https://www.nestle.com/sites/default/files/2022-07/nestle-agriculture-framework.pdf

## Fazenda Roncador - Sistema Regenerativo Integrado Roncador - SRI | Grupo Roncador

## Food Systems case selection





**Crop / Product**Soy, maize, beef cattle



#### Overview



#### **Case objectives**

Implement a fully integrated regenerative agriculture model that combines soy, maize, forage, and rotational beef cattle across 53,000 hectares in the Cerrado-Amazon transition, replacing agrochemicals with biological soil activation, native microbiota, and circular nutrient flows



#### **Institutions Involved**

Grupo Roncador; Embrapa; KPMG; Pangea; IBS



#### **WG Alignment**

Integrated systems; regenerative agriculture; livestock sustainability

#### Case maturity



#### **Case Stage**



Mature generating stable results



#### **Risks Involved**

Farmer adoption and execution at scale challenges; climate variability; availability of technical assistance; upfront funding challenges



#### **Scalability**

Replicable tropical model across soy, maize, and beef systems using native biology, composting, and rotations, with verified outcomes and thirdparty validation enabling cross-sector adoption

#### **▶** Impact



#### **Innovative Drive**

Pioneering integration of fully composted manure, native microbial inoculants, and silicalcium for soil remineralization, replacing agrochemicals with biologically active solutions



#### **Economic Impact**

Over the last 3 harvest seasones, the system demonstrated 10% yield gain and 8% reduction in production costs in soy; 21% reduction in cattle slaughter age



#### **CO2 Impact**

Net GHG impact reduced from +17,471 (2007 / 2008) to -231,595 tCO $_2$ e/year (2019 / 2020), based on GHG Protocol, Embrapa factors, FAO GLEAM model, and field-verified data



External Links: https://gruporoncador.com.br/

## Soil and Water Outcomes Fund (SWOF) | PepsiCo

## Food Systems case selection





#### **Crop / Product**

Cross-cutting (maize, soy, wheat, alfafa, sugarbeets)



#### Overview



#### **Case objectives**

Enable agri-food companies and government agencies to pay farmers for quantified environmental benefits from regenerative agriculture practices, delivering modeled and verified outcomes



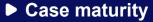
#### Institutions Involved

PepsiCo; Soil and Water Outcomes Fund; AgOutcomes (Iowa Soybean Association); USDA; Others



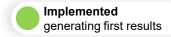
#### **WG Alignment**

Regenerative agriculture; soil health; MRV





#### **Case Stage**





#### **Risks Involved**

Verification complexity; regulatory variability; climate and adoption risks



#### **Scalability**

464,906 acres already enrolled with PepsiCo across 7 states; full implementation since 2023 after 2020–22 pilots

#### **▶** Impact



#### **Innovative Drive**

Integrated carbon-and-water MRV within the payment model; hybrid outcome finance blending pay-for-practice and pre-season pay-for-outcome verified post-season to de-risk adoption



#### **Economic Impact**

~\$33/acre in averaged to farmers; 94% reported yield parity or increase; 97.5% reported profitability parity or increase



#### **CO2 Impact**

403,151 MtCO<sub>2</sub>e sequestered since 2020

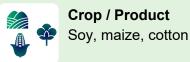


External Links: https://theoutcomesfund.com/

### PRO Carbono | Bayer

## Food Systems case selection







#### Overview



#### **Case objectives**

Promote regenerative agricultural practices that reduce GHG emissions and increase soil carbon sequestration capacity.



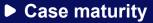
#### **Institutions Involved**

Bayer; Bureau Veritas; Control Union; Mosaic Company; Fendt; Raix; Barenbrug; Safra & Cifras; Itau Bank; Others



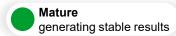
#### **WG Alignment**

Regenerative agriculture; traceability; MRV





#### **Case Stage**





#### **Risks Involved**

Adaptation of carbon certification standards for the region; methodological acceptance; adoption barriers in rapid system intensification



#### **Scalability**

Program currently spans ~220,000 ha in Brazil and 17,000 ha in Argentina, with expansion planned into new crops and regions

#### **▶** Impact



#### **Innovative Drive**

Integration of a digital MRV platform and Tropicalized Carbon Model (PROCs), supported by blockchain-enabled traceability



#### **Economic Impact**

Farmers report +7% profitability and +11% productivity gains; technical assistance and data collection is subsidized by the program



#### **CO2 Impact**

+16% increase in carbon sequestration for farmers



External Links: https://www.agro.bayer.com.br/pro-carbono

### **Low Methane Rice | UPL Limited**

## Food Systems case selection





Crop / Product Rice



#### Overview



#### **Case objectives**

Support Indian farmers in reducing methane emissions through Alternate Wetting and Drying (AWD), integrated with regenerative practices, field validation, and farmer training



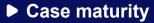
#### Institutions Involved

**UPL Limited; RARS** 



#### **WG Alignment**

Methane reduction; water management





#### **Case Stage**



Under implementation



#### **Risks Involved**

Possible changes in methodology approved by Registry; Farmer may skip few steps due to personal or environmental reasons



#### Scalability

Currently covers ~10,400 ha and 6,000 farmers, with scaling target of 100,000 ha and 60,000 farmers by FY 2029-30

#### **▶** Impact



#### **Innovative Drive**

Private gas chromatography lab for GHG measurement – unique among private players in India, digital traceability (via app + geofencing), and bundled accident insurance tied to UPL inputs



#### **Economic Impact**

Farmers benefit from ~5% profitability gains, 5% yield increase



#### **CO2 Impact**

~23% GHG emissions reduction and +40% water-use efficiency improvement



**External Links:** https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1uHhO7b\_Vbc; https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ara4uj5aD6Y; https://www.linkedin.com/posts/upl-ltd\_empowering-krishimitras-in-andhra-pradesh-activity-7341003241901518848-9ejo?utm source=share&utm medium=member desktop&rcm=ACoAAAWnhT8BEKGjyTMOaz7qDlOcr4WjRLyJ1sc;

### Green Offices 2.0 | JBS

## Food Systems case selection





**Crop / Product**Beef cattle



#### Overview



#### **Case objectives**

JBS's Green Offices 2.0 is an integrated platform to accelerate environmental compliance, productivity, and emissions reduction among small and medium-sized cattle producers in Brazil, with focus on Amazon and Cerrado biomes



#### **Institutions Involved**

JBS S.A.; Inttegra Institution; FGV



#### **WG Alignment**

Traceability; livestock sustainability

#### Case maturity



#### **Case Stage**



Mature generating stable results



#### **Risks Involved**

Producer engagement and digital uptake challenges; data quality; climate shocks affecting pasture and emissions baselines



#### Scalability

Program has already regularized 15,336 farms and engaged 800+ producers; with ~73,000 hectares under technical assistance; model is designed to expand through digital green offices

#### **▶** Impact



#### **Innovative Drive**

First cattle supplier program to combine legal compliance, productivity improvement, and climate-resilient practices in one platform, leveraging digital tools and satellite monitoring



#### **Economic Impact**

Farmers report +29% increase in gross revenue, \$3.76 return per \$1 invested in ATER, and +27% productivity gains per head/year



#### **CO2 Impact**

Program achieved ~23% GHG emissions reduction across assisted farms



External Links: https://jbsesg.com/docs/JBS\_Sustainability\_Report\_2023.pdf



**Portfolio of Cases** 



## **List of cases for the Food Systems Working Group** (1/5)



Archetype	Region	Company	Case name	Crop
Agroforestry Systems		Yara Brasil Fertilizantes S.A.	Low Carbon Regenerative Coffee	Coffee
	South America	Salesforce	Agent Tierra: Recommendations for Regenerative Farming Starting in Colombia	Cocoa
	Asia / Oceania	IDH	Integrated traceability and carbon accounting system for deforestation-free, climate-resilient and regenerative coffee	Coffee
	Global	Capitals Coalition + ofi	Valuing Natural Capital in coffee production – GHG emissions and water use assessment	Coffee
	Global	Asian Development Bank	ECOM Climate-Resilient Coffee Value Chain Project	Coffee
Integrated systems	8	JBS	RestaurAmazônia	Beef cattle, cocoa
	South America	ANDI	Zero Deforestation Roadmap for Sustainable Value AgriChains – ANDI	Cocoa, coffee, palm oil, beef cattle
		FUNDEPAG	RegenAGRO	Soy, coffee, cocoa
Large Industrial Crop Solutions	0.	Citrosuco	PSA Carbon Agro	Not disclosed
	South America	Fundación Solidaridad Latinoamericana	GeRa Cana – Program of management and traceability of sugarcane production to rural producers	Sugarcane



## List of cases for the Food Systems Working Group (2/5)



Archetype		Region	Company	Case name	Crop
Large Industrial Crop Solutions		South America	Produzindo Certo	Reg.IA – First regenerative agriculture consortium in Latin America	Soy, maize
ď			Geological Survey of Brazil	Fertilizer and Agromineral Research: Advancing Food Security While Reducing Import Dependency and Mining Impacts	Not disclosed
			AMAGGI	Amaggi Regenera	Soy
			Syngenta Crop Protection	Reverte	Not disclosed
			Siemens	Digital Traceability for Sustainable and Deforestation- Free Soy	Soy
			CNH Latin America	Case IH Connected Farm: Digital Integration for Sustainable and Smart Agricultural Production	Soy, maize
		North and Central Americas	PepsiCo	Field to Market – Innovative Finance Initiative	Not disclosed
			PepsiCo	Regenerative Agriculture on the Canadian Prairies	Not disclosed
		Asia / Oceania	PepsiCo	Climate-Resilient Potato Supply Chain - Thailand	Potato
			PepsiCo	Cool Soils Initiative (CSI) - Australia	Wheat, canola



## List of cases for the Food Systems Working Group (3/5)



Archetype		Region	Company	Case name	Crop
Large Industrial Crop Solutions		Europe	PepsiCo	Lighthouse Regenerative Agriculture – Poland   PepsiCo	Wheat, canola
•		Global	BASF	Life Smart Sprayer – Real-Time Al for precision weed management	Cross-cutting (maize; wheat; soy; sugarbeet etc.)
			Good Food Institute Brazil	The Protein Transition Tool: Unlocking Climate Solutions Through Innovation"	Not disclosed
			Solidaridad Network	IMPULSA - Incentives and rewards platform for continuous improvement of smallholder sugarcane farmers	Sugarcane
			Carrefour Group	Driving Sustainable Food Systems	Not disclosed
			BASF	Global Carbon Farming Program – your partner in delivering shared value through sustainable agriculture	Other (barley)
			PepsiCo	PepsiCo-Yara Partnership for Climate-Smart Fertilization Collaboration (LATAM and EU)	Cross-cutting (potatoes; oats; rapeseed; maize; wheat; bananas; coconuts)
			Bonsucro	Bonsucro's ClimateCane Tracker: helping to cut greenhouse gas emissions in sugarcane	Sugarcane
			CNH	From Field to Footprint: Tracking Carbon in Agriculture	Not disclosed
			UPL	Aplique Bem Program	Cross-cutting (fruits; vegetables)
•			Proforest	Increasing the contribution of corporate commitments to achieving Brazilian agriculture's climate ambition	Cross-cutting (soy; sugarcane; palm oil; cocoa etc.)

## **List of cases for the Food Systems Working Group** (4/5)



Archetype		Region	Company	Case name	Crop
Large Industrial Crop Solutions		Global	Bonsucro	Accounting for carbon removals in sugarcane production as a driver of farming best practices	Sugarcane
Rice Methane Emission	\$ 000 \$ 000	Asia / Oceania	BASF	Carbon Farming in Rice, Japan	Rice
Solutions			PepsiCo	Climate smart rice farming in Thailand	Rice
			Bayer	DirectAcres - Bringing Direct-Seeded Rice to the Ground	Rice
Livestock Solutions		South America	Danone	Jornada Flora	Dairy cattle
			Nestlé	Nature por Ninho: Incentivize regenerative agriculture in dairy production   Nestlé	Dairy cattle
			ESGpec - Sustentabilidade e Inovação na Pecuária Ltda	Scaling climate-smart livestock systems through digital ESG diagnostics	Dairy cattle
			Marfrig Global Foods	Verde+	Beef cattle
		Africa	Mafisa	Mafisa Livestock Grazing Carbon Project	Beef cattle
		Europe	JBS	Pâturond Regenerative Grazing Project	Beef cattle



## **List of cases for the Food Systems Working Group** (5/5)



Archetype		Region	Company	Case name	Crop
Livestock Solutions		Europe	JBS	Pilgrim's Europe regenerative pig production system	Pork
		Global	Tetra Pak International S.A	Tetra Pak Dairy Hub model - Development of dairy value chains in LMIC	Dairy cattle
			Carrefour Group	Driving Forest-Positive Transformation in Brazil's Beef Supply Chain	Beef cattle
			Ajinomoto	How to reduce GHG emissions from the cattle-related value chain and produce the world's greenest cattle-related products in Brazil.	Dairy cattle, beef cattle
Other		South America	Sigma Lithium	Rainwater Reservoirs for Subsistence Farmers	Not disclosed
		Asia / Oceania	Asian Development Bank	Thai Union Sustainable Shrimp Value Chain Project	Other (shrimp)
		Africa	INSECTIPRO	Scaling Production of Insect-based inputsto Transform Food Systems in Africa	Other (insects)
		Global	Electrolux do Brasil S.A.	Promoting More Sustainable Eating Among Thousands Around the World	Not disclosed
			World Economic Forum	First Movers Coalition for Food	Cross-cutting (multi- commodity, global demand aggregation initiative)



## **Food Systems framework**

#### Types of crops



Tree crop



Livestock



Row crop



#### Minimizing deforestation



Reduce farmland expansion by sustainably increasing productivity

### Improved agriculture management practices



Improve management practices of agricultural land



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#### **Tropical**

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#### **Temperate**

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#### Rice methane emissions solutions

Tropical (Asia focused)

China, India



### MAN

Integrated Systems (Crop-Livestock-Forestry, Crop-Livestock, Livestock-Forestry etc.)

**Tropical** 

Cattle, soy, sugarcane







### Low Carbon Regenerative Coffee | Yara Brasil Fertilizantes S.A.

## Food Systems case selection





**Crop / Product**Coffee



#### Overview



#### **Case objectives**

Demonstrate Yara's pioneering leadership in offering an ultra-low-carbon fertilizer solution for Brazilian coffee growers, in partnership with Cooxupé



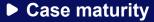
#### **Institutions Involved**

Yara Brasil Fertilizantes S.A.; Cooxupé



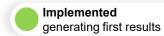
#### **WG Alignment**

Agroforestry; soil health; smallholder engagement





#### **Case Stage**





#### Risks Involved

Not disclosed



#### Scalability

Potential for expansion across Brazilian coffee sector and beyond

#### **▶** Impact



#### **Innovative Drive**

First commercial-scale application of ultra-low-carbon fertilizer in Brazil



#### **Economic Impact**

Farmers saw 14% productivity increase (from 48 to 55 bags/ha), sensory quality improvement (+3 points), and an income gain of R\$ 5,000/ha



#### **CO2 Impact**

22% reduction in carbon footprint achieved with Climate Choice™ fertilizer; potential to reach 40% reduction with broader adoption



External Links: https://www.yarabrasil.com.br/sobre-yara/sustentabilidade/

## Agent Tierra: Recommendations for Regenerative Farming Starting in Colombia | Salesforce

## Food Systems case selection





Crop / Product Cocoa



#### Overview



#### **Case objectives**

Pilot an Al-powered virtual agent in Colombia to deliver personalized, climate-smart guidance to farmers, aiming to scale globally and accelerate regenerative agriculture adoption



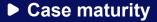
#### Institutions Involved

Salesforce; Rare



#### **WG Alignment**

Regenerative agriculture; digital innovation





#### **Case Stage**



Under implementation



#### **Risks Involved**

Low digital access or literacy; climate shocks; adoption resistance; data privacy concerns; limited institutional buy-in



#### **Scalability**

Target of reaching 100,000 smallholder farmers and 5,000 km² under regenerative practices by 2030

#### **▶** Impact



#### **Innovative Drive**

Pioneers AI use and behavioral science in regenerative ag to drive lasting behavior change. It integrates local context and social norms, using voice features & peer examples to ensure accessibility and build trust beyond typical agtech



#### **Economic Impact**

Delivering tailored mobile advice to cut costs & boost productivity, with a 30-50% potential drop in agrochemical use, its design integrates with financial products to unlock value



#### **CO2 Impact**

Estimated 143,111 tCO2e sequestered by 533 farmers using chronosequence modelling and soil lab analysis



External Links: Not disclosed

## Integrated traceability and carbon accounting system for deforestation-free, climate-resilient and regenerative coffee | IDH

## Food Systems case selection





**Crop / Product**Coffee



#### Overview



#### **Case objectives**

Develop a national system combining traceability and GHG accounting to ensure credible claims, EUDR compliance, and scaling of deforestationfree, regenerative, climate-resilient coffee



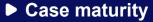
#### Institutions Involved

IDH; Simexco; LDC; ACOM; Intimex; OFI; Sucafina; Vinh Hiep; ETG; JDE (roaster, cofunder and market anchor); MAE (Ministry of Agriculture & Environment); VICOFA; South Pole; IAE



#### **WG Alignment**

Agroforestry; traceability; MRV





#### **Case Stage**



Under implementation



#### **Risks Involved**

Limited data quality; evolving standards; system integration challenges; unclear benefit-sharing for farmers; insufficient buyer investment



#### Scalability

Designed for nationwide adoption in Viet Nam with potential to expand to other commodities and replicate in other producing countries

#### **▶** Impact



#### **Innovative Drive**

A unique model embedding farm database and GHG accounting into a national traceability system, enabling credible Scope 3 insetting and integrity-based low-carbon claims



#### **Economic Impact**

Traceability integrated with GHG data unlocks climate finance and premium sourcing, driving lower transaction costs and higher farmer incomes, and strengthening the resilience of Vietnam's coffee sector



#### **CO2 Impact**

Farm-level carbon baselines established with GHG tools aligned to global standards (185 baselines), enabling emission reduction planning and Scope 3 alignment with corporate climate targets



**External Links:** https://idh.org/news/vietnams-coffee-sector-marks-a-landmark-step-towards-sustainability-launching-the-eudr-database-system-for-forest-and-coffee-growing-areas

## Valuing Natural Capital in coffee production – GHG emissions and water use assessment | Capitals Coalition + ofi

## Food Systems case selection





**Crop / Product**Coffee





#### Overview



#### **Case objectives**

ofi, in collaboration with Capitals Coalition, assessed the changes in Natural Capital across twenty coffee farmer groups in five origins. The project applied BS 8632:2021 to quantify natural capital in this way enables us to assess and mitigate risks while fostering investments that promote a positive impact on landscapes and ecosystems.



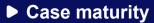
#### Institutions Involved

Capitals Coalition; ofi (Olam Food Ingredients)



#### **WG Alignment**

Regenerative agriculture; MRV and natural capital accounting





#### **Case Stage**





#### **Risks Involved**

Climate variability affecting yields; data reliability for social metrics; economic viability at scale; market volatility for prices of agricultural products; dependence on stakeholder engagement



#### **Scalability**

The valuation methodology was designed to be replicable across sourcing regions. It provides a framework that can support natural capital preservation and inform climate-aligned sourcing

#### ▶ Impact



#### **Innovative Drive**

First known corporate application of BS 8632:2021 to value in monetary terms environmental impacts. The project integrates scenario modeling and monetized impact evaluation to pave the way to guide future sustainable sourcing decisions in agricultural products



#### **Economic Impact**

Demonstrated that reducing emissions and water use can also increase yields and potential farmlevel returns, reinforcing the business case for regenerative practices in smallholder supply chains



#### **CO2 Impact**

Emissions per metric tonne of green-bean equivalent (GBE) procured dropped from 5.13 tCO<sub>2</sub>e to 4.12 tCO<sub>2</sub>e



**External Links:** https://www.olamgroup.com/content/dam/olamgroup/investor-relations/ir-library/annual-reports/annual-reports-pdfs/2023/olam\_annual\_report\_2023.pdf#page=143

## ECOM Climate-Resilient Coffee Value Chain Project | Asian Development Bank

## Food Systems case selection





Crop / Product Coffee

Global Focus on India, Indonesia, Papua New Guinea and Viet Nam



#### Overview



#### Case objectives

Enhance the resilience of coffee farmers to climate change by strengthening their market linkages and enabling investments in climatesmart practices resulting from working capital support, while supporting extension services that promote both climate adaptation and gender inclusion



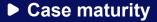
#### Institutions Involved

ECOM Agroindustrial Corp.; ECOM Agroindustrial Asia Private Limited; Asian Development Bank



#### **WG Alignment**

Climate adaptation; smallholder inclusion





#### **Case Stage**



Under implementation



#### Risks Involved

Not disclosed



#### **Scalability**

The project reaches over 62,000 smallholder farmers and is designed to expand extension services and pilot sustainability projects

#### **▶** Impact



#### **Innovative Drive**

Structured as a certified social loan aligned with Social Loan Principles; connects climate and social finance; integrates extension services, such as certification support, and farmer training



#### **Economic Impact**

Provides reliable incomes to smallholders, enabling adoption of climate-smart practices and stabilizing livelihoods. Integrates farmers into export markets through ECOM's supply chains



#### **Climate Impact**

Promotes carbon sequestration and improved climate resilience of smallholder coffee farmers through climate-smart practices



**External Links:** https://www.adb.org/projects/58316-001/main

## **Food Systems framework**

#### Types of crops



Tree crop



Livestock



Row crop



#### Minimizing deforestation



Reduce farmland expansion by sustainably increasing productivity

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Improve management practices of agricultural land

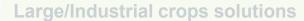


Address livestock management and enteric fermentation

#### **Agroforestry systems**

**Tropical** 

Oil palm, cocoa, coffee



Tropical

Sugarcane, soybeans

**Temperate** 

Maize, soybeans, wheat



#### **Livestock solutions**

Tropical

Solutions that help reduce the expansion of pastureland and/or address enteric fermentation

**Temperate** 

Solutions that address enteric fermentation



Rice methane emissions solutions

Tropical (Asia focused)

China, India



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Integrated Systems (Crop-Livestock-Forestry, Crop-Livestock, Livestock-Forestry etc.)

**Tropical** 

Cattle, soy, sugarcane







## RestaurAmazônia | JBS

## Food Systems case selection





**Crop / Product**Beef cattle, cocoa



#### Overview



#### **Case objectives**

Restore forests and boost productivity via agroforestry systems (SAFs) and grazing, combining conservation and income generation to support low-carbon farming and resilience in the Amazon



#### **Institutions Involved**

JBS Fund for the Amazon (FJBSA); Fundação Solidariedad; Others



#### **WG Alignment**

Restoration; agroforestry; low-carbon livestock; biodiversity; smallholder livelihoods

#### **▶** Case maturity



#### **Case Stage**



Mature generating stable results



#### **Risks Involved**

Not disclosed



#### **Scalability**

Designed to restore 1,500 ha by 2026 and benefit 1,500 families; positioned as a scalable low-cost model aligned with Brazil's NDCs

#### **▶** Impact



#### **Innovative Drive**

Integrates restoration with productive SAFs and grazing, linking conservation and income generation for smallholders



#### **Economic Impact**

Increases productivity, diversifies income, and improves market access; farmers can see up to 30% income gains; aligned with private sector profitability



#### **CO2 Impact**

The project restores degraded areas through SAFs and grazing, sequestering carbon and supporting NDC targets

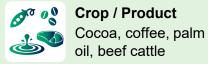


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## Zero Deforestation Roadmap for Sustainable Value AgriChains – ANDI | ANDI

## Food Systems case selection







#### Overview



#### **Case objectives**

Provide Colombian coffee, cocoa, palm oil, and cattle companies with a practical roadmap to comply with EU deforestation-free products regulation, integrating environmental and legal due diligence



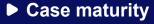
#### Institutions Involved

**ANDI** 



#### **WG Alignment**

Deforestation-free; traceability; regenerative agriculture





#### **Case Stage**





#### Risks Involved

Limited SME capacity for digital tools; labor informality; regulatory volatility and frequent changes; risk of companies shifting to less demanding markets, reducing competitiveness



#### **Scalability**

Applicable across major agri-chains in Colombia and replicable in Latin America

#### **▶** Impact



#### **Innovative Drive**

First voluntary private-sector roadmap in Latin America aligned with EUDR; offers interactive tool with checklists, decision trees, and links to complementary resources



#### **Economic Impact**

Improves market access and competitiveness for exporters, reduces regulatory risk, and avoids trade exclusion costs.



#### **CO2 Impact**

Through prevention of deforestation in supply chains, roadmap indirectly contributes to avoided emissions linked to land use change in tropical forests; quantitative estimates not reported



External Links: https://view.genially.com/66fc4116c8fcb52bbe28bda7

## RegenAGRO | FUNDEPAG

## Food Systems case selection





**Crop / Product**Soy, coffee, cocoa



#### Overview



#### **Case objectives**

Deploy digital technologies to ensure traceability of agricultural chains (starting with soy, coffee, and cocoa), verifying sustainability practices, deforestation-free origin, and full value chain transparency aligned with global taxonomy standards



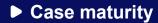
#### Institutions Involved

FUNDEPAG; IPEN – Instituto de Pesquisas em Energia Nuclear; Siemens; Instituto Biológico



#### **WG Alignment**

Regenerative agriculture; soil health; MRV





#### **Case Stage**



Under implementation



#### Risks Involved

Not disclosed



#### Scalability

Multi-regional pilots for soy, coffee, and cocoa planned through 2028; platform designed for expansion to other supply chains; pay-for-performance model supports scaling

#### **▶** Impact



#### **Innovative Drive**

Combines multicriteria ESG diagnostics, end-toend digital traceability, and automated compliance; integrates logistics with digital custody and regenerative practices such as biochar and remineralizers to drive near-zero emissions



#### **Economic Impact**

Buyer premiums and long-term contracts for producers; lower input and logistics costs; service/verification revenues; business model targets positive NPV and resilient IRR



#### **CO2 Impact**

CO2e cuts from biochar, no-till/ILPF and lower fertilizer needs; GHG accounting under development to consolidate reductions



External Links: https://ainfo.cnptia.embrapa.br/digital/bitstream/doc/1177864/1/6354.pdf

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## MAN

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#### **Tropical**

Cattle, soy, sugarcan







## PSA Carbon Agro | Citrosuco

## Food Systems case selection





Crop / Product
Not disclosed



#### Overview



#### **Case objectives**

Remunerate rural producers for environmental services in agriculture through quantification, certification and carbon credit issuance



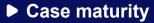
#### Institutions Involved

Citrosuco; ECCON Soluções Ambientais; Reservas Votorantim



#### **WG Alignment**

MRV; carbon markets





#### **Case Stage**





#### **Risks Involved**

Not disclosed



#### Scalability

Scalable for perennial crops, this methodology generates Carbon Plus (C+) credits to remunerate good practices

#### **▶** Impact



#### **Innovative Drive**

This is the first methodology in Brazil to value ecosystem services from perennial crops, filling a major implementation gap



#### **Economic Impact**

Strengthens farmer livelihoods via access to carbon revenue while supporting practice adoption



#### **CO2 Impact**

Expected: 20,000 tCO<sub>2</sub>e over the next 5 years; stored/sequestered: 5,000 tCO<sub>2</sub>e



External Links: https://www.citrosuco.com/commitments/carbon/; https://gaveacarbono.com/

## GeRa Cana – Program of management and traceability of sugarcane production to rural producers | Fundación Solidaridad Latinoamericana

## Food Systems case selection







#### Overview



#### **Case objectives**

Implement management and traceability improvements in sugarcane supply to raise sustainability and performance.



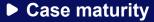
#### Institutions Involved

Bonsucro; Fundación Solidaridad Latinoamericana; ORPLANA; APMP Bioenergia; APROCANA



#### **WG Alignment**

Traceability; regenerative agriculture





#### **Case Stage**





#### Risks Involved

Absence of historical harvest data and limited familiarity with digital tools hinder accurate analysis and informed decision-making.



#### Scalability

Potential to reach ~12,000 producers from 34 associations linked to ORPLANA, covering 900.000 ha

#### **▶** Impact



#### **Innovative Drive**

The project supports small and medium producers, combining training with a unique sustainable production and cost management tool



#### **Economic Impact**

By adopting sustainable practices and reducing their carbon footprint, farmers can qualify for RenovaBio. This program offers financial incentives for low-emission farming, representing at least 60% of the value mills get from decarbonization credits



#### **CO2 Impact**

As farmers adopt sustainable practices and reduce their carbon footprint, carbon should be absorbed; quantitative CO<sub>2</sub>e not yet reported



External Links: Not disclosed

## Reg.IA – First regenerative agriculture consortium in Latin America | Produzindo Certo

## Food Systems case selection





**Crop / Product**Soy, maize



#### Overview



#### **Case objectives**

Reg.IA is a multisector initiative led by Produzindo Certo to promote regenerative agriculture through a standardized protocol that restores soil health, reduces emissions, and expands socio-environmental impact. The consortium integrates farmers, corporations, and buyers to create shared value in agricultural supply chains



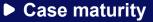
#### Institutions Involved

Produzindo Certo; Bayer; Agrivalle; BRF; Milhão



#### **WG Alignment**

Regenerative agriculture; MRV and traceability; blended finance; biodiversity





#### **Case Stage**





#### **Risks Involved**

Limited farmer adoption, regulatory changes such as EUDR, and insufficient financing or demand for regenerative products at premium prices



#### **Scalability**

The model is designed for replication, scaling through a standardized regenerative agriculture protocol and traceable MRV system across regions

#### **▶** Impact



#### **Innovative Drive**

Reg.IA is Latin America's first regenerative agriculture consortium, combining on-farm support with satellite monitoring, verifiable ESG metrics, and market-based incentives that bridge farm practices with financial returns from the first harvest



#### **Economic Impact**

The program strengthens rural livelihoods by integrating small and medium farmers into regenerative supply chains, generating price premiums, and improving productivity



#### **CO2 Impact**

Regenerative practices avoided 159,551 tCO<sub>2</sub>e, cutting emissions by ~66% in soy and ~83% in maize versus national averages



External Links: https://www.produzindocerto.com.br/reg-ia/

## Fertilizer and Agromineral Research: Advancing Food Security While Reducing Import Dependency and Mining Impacts | Geological Survey of Brazil

## Food Systems case selection





Crop / Product Not disclosed



#### Overview



#### **Case objectives**

Reduce fertilizer import dependence and costs by developing local agrominerals as sustainable inputs, boosting productivity, circular economy, and strategic mineral autonomy



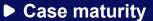
#### **Institutions Involved**

Geological Survey of Brazil; EMBRAPA



#### **WG Alignment**

Soil health; regenerative agriculture





#### **Case Stage**



Mature generating stable results



#### **Risks Involved**

Delays in regulatory approvals; market resistance to new inputs; limited awareness among farmers; infrastructure for production scale-up; data gaps in unexplored areas



#### **Scalability**

Rock powder-based remineralization reduces CO2 and fertilizer costs, enhancing sustainability when adopted by producers across Brazil and potentially other tropical countries

#### **▶** Impact



#### **Innovative Drive**

Introduces a circular economy model that recycles mining waste into certified agricultural inputs; closes the gap between mining sector and sustainable farming



#### **Economic Impact**

Local inputs lower fertilizer costs, boost competitiveness of smallholder farming, and create new value chains for mining waste utilization



#### **CO2 Impact**

Reduces emissions by replacing imported, energy-intensive fertilizers with local rock powders, lowering the carbon footprint across production and logistics



External Links: https://www.sgb.gov.br/remineralizadores/estudos.html

## Amaggi Regenera | AMAGGI

## Food Systems case selection





Crop / Product Soy



#### Overview



#### **Case objectives**

Support the transition to low-carbon agricultural systems through regenerative agriculture, improving soil health, biodiversity, and climate resilience



#### **Institutions Involved**

AMAGGI; IPAM; Embrapa Arroz e Feijão



#### **WG Alignment**

Regenerative agriculture; traceability

#### **▶** Case maturity



#### **Case Stage**





#### Risks Involved

Climate variability; implementation costs; need for long-term results; scarcity of financial incentives; ongoing need for training and technical support



#### Scalability

232,000 ha under monitoring; positioned for expansion across large production chains with certification protocol

#### **▶** Impact



#### **Innovative Drive**

Goes beyond practices by monitoring impact indicators (soil carbon, biodiversity, water); includes a regenerative certification protocol and focuses on building a 'regenerative culture' among producers



#### **Economic Impact**

Reduces input costs and increases productivity in medium term; preliminary studies show positive return from certification with premium markets



#### **CO2 Impact**

Reduces emissions through low-carbon agricultural practices such as cover crops, crop rotation, the use of bio-inputs, bio composts and soil health monitoring



External Links: https://www.amaggi.com.br/amaggi\_regenera/

# **Reverte | Syngenta Crop Protection**

# Food Systems case selection





Crop / Product Not disclosed



# Overview



# **Case objectives**

Support farmers in transforming degraded areas into productive areas through agronomic techniques and long-term financing



#### Institutions Involved

Syngenta Crop Protection; The Nature Conservancy; Itaú BBA



# **WG Alignment**

Regenerative agriculture; soil health





#### **Case Stage**



generating stable results



#### **Risks Involved**

Not disclosed



# Scalability

Medium-term plan to recover 455k ha by 2026; 259k ha already in recovery; ultimate target of 1 million ha restored by 2030

# **▶** Impact



### **Innovative Drive**

Integrates regenerative agriculture with long-term financing; combines cover crops, integrated crop-livestock systems, crop rotation, and innovative agronomic practices to regenerate soil health and carbon stocks



### **Economic Impact**

Improves on-farm efficiency and productivity; reduces input dependency



# **CO2 Impact**

98.420 tons CO2eq/year estimated soil carbon sequestration



External Links: https://www.syngenta.com.br/programa-reverte

# Digital Traceability for Sustainable and Deforestation-Free Soy | Siemens

# Food Systems case selection





**Crop / Product** Soy



# Overview



# **Case objectives**

Develop digital technologies that ensure soy traceability, enabling sustainable, deforestationfree sourcing and full value chain transparency in compliance with global taxonomy standards



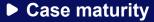
### Institutions Involved

Siemens Brasil; Fundepag – Fundação de Desenvolvimento da Pesquisa do Agronegócio



# **WG Alignment**

Deforestation-free; traceability; MRV





#### **Case Stage**



Under implementation



#### Risks Involved

Low stakeholder engagement; limited digital infrastructure; resistance from supply chain actors to transparency



# **Scalability**

Effective traceability systems allow for the assessment of the carbon footprint of agricultural products and enables the exclusion of products with high GHG emission from the supply chain

# **▶** Impact



# **Innovative Drive**

Integrates real-time traceability across agriculture and logistics; platform captures field data and generates GHG reports, enabling compliance and sustainable sourcing



### **Economic Impact**

Ensures compliance with legal frameworks, protects brand reputation, and enables producers to access global markets through sustainability claims



# **CO2 Impact**

Traceability platform enables exclusion of soy with high GHG emissions from supply chains, indirectly reducing carbon footprint



**External Links:** www.portal.fundepag.br

# Case IH Connected Farm: Digital Integration for Sustainable and Smart Agricultural Production | CNH Latin America

# Food Systems case selection





Crop / Product Soy, maize



# Overview



## **Case objectives**

To enhance productivity and sustainability by integrating advanced agtech and regenerative agriculture, leveraging a real farm as a 4G-connected testbed with smart machinery and digital ecosystems



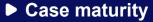
#### Institutions Involved

CNH Latin America; Agropecuária Jerusalém; TIM



# **WG Alignment**

Precision agriculture; ag-tech; regenerative agriculture





## **Case Stage**





#### **Risks Involved**

Low, but challenges include partner alignment, project design risks, and agronomic variability in effective technology delivery



# **Scalability**

Designed as an open-air laboratory farm (3,000 ha) in Água Boa, MT; platform can be expanded to other regions and production scales

# **▶** Impact



#### **Innovative Drive**

Integrates selective application, variable-rate planting, regenerative practices, and connectivity to optimize resources and restore soil health



### **Economic Impact**

26% cost reduction per hectare in soil preparation, 20% cost reduction per sack/ha, and higher yields compared to regional averages



# **CO2 Impact**

34% reduction in CO<sub>2</sub> emissions achieved during 23/24 (-20.7% fertilizers, -6.4% fuel, -6.4% productivity gain); 25% reduction in diesel use



External Links: https://fazendaconectada.caseih.com.br/

# Field to Market – Innovative Finance Initiative | PepsiCo

# Food Systems case selection





Crop / Product Not disclosed



# Overview



## **Case objectives**

Enable data-driven regenerative agriculture adoption at scale through robust MRV tools and technical assistance, aligned with PepsiCo's Positive Agriculture goals and USDA's Advancing Markets for Producers program



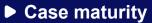
#### **Institutions Involved**

Field to Market; PepsiCo; Practical Farmers of Iowa; Precision Conservation Management; Midwest farmer networks; USDA



#### **WG Alignment**

Regenerative agriculture; MRV





#### **Case Stage**



Under implementation



#### **Risks Involved**

Farmer retention without sufficient compensation; data quality control; system complexity; supplier engagement; multi-year variability



# Scalability

Scalable across the U.S. Midwest with potential for replication globally using existing farmer networks and MRV systems

# **▶** Impact



#### **Innovative Drive**

Combines national MRV standards with supply chain reporting to deliver practical, scalable outcomes while minimizing farmer reporting burden



### **Economic Impact**

Low upfront investment per acre; co-funding model attractive to growers; high ROI from yield stability and ecosystem co-benefits



# **CO2 Impact**

Expected reduction of 0.5–1.2 tCO<sub>2</sub>e/acre depending on crop, geography, and practice intensity



External Links: https://fieldtomarket.org/innovative-finance-initiative/

# Regenerative Agriculture on the Canadian Prairies | PepsiCo

# Food Systems case selection





Crop / Product Not disclosed



# Overview



## **Case objectives**

Support farmers in Saskatchewan and Manitoba in adopting regenerative agriculture through farmer-led, science-backed trials and in supporting their adoption of conservation practices through a pay-for-practice program – contributing to both climate mitigation and growth in productivity and profitability



#### Institutions Involved

PepsiCo; Southeast Research Farm (SERF)



# **WG Alignment**

Regenerative agriculture; soil health

# **▶** Case maturity



#### **Case Stage**



Mature generating stable results



#### **Risks Involved**

Adoption variability; equipment access; environmental variability; staff capacity; seasonal inconsistencies



# **Scalability**

Farmer-led governance and plot-to-field scale testing model is replicable across Canada and globally

# **▶** Impact



#### **Innovative Drive**

Co-led grower innovation platform with data feedback loops into corporate sourcing and procurement



# **Economic Impact**

Farmer designed trial model minimizes overhead; yield and input savings will determine longer-term cost curve – increasing affordability for farmers



# **CO2 Impact**

Early models show 0.8–1.5 tCO<sub>2</sub>e/ha reduction



External Links: Not disclosed

# Climate-Resilient Potato Supply Chain | PepsiCo

# Food Systems case selection





Crop / Product
Potato



# Overview



## **Case objectives**

Enhance the resilience and productivity of smallholder potato growers in Northern Thailand through a whole-farm approach, including regenerative agriculture, technology integration, and market-linked business training



#### Institutions Involved

PepsiCo Thailand, GIZ, Department of Agricultural Extension (DOAE), Thai Government, Local Farmer Cooperatives



### **WG Alignment**

Regenerative agriculture; water management

# Case maturity



#### **Case Stage**



Mature generating stable results



#### **Risks Involved**

Limited land tenure security; climate shocks; extension delivery gaps; farmer retention



# Scalability

Model scalable to other PepsiCo sourcing regions with climate-sensitive crops; lessons from rice systems in Thailand can be widely applied

# **▶** Impact



#### **Innovative Drive**

Combines whole-farm adaptation with "business school" training and regional demo farms; systems-level approach that integrates agronomy, technology, and enterprise capacity



# **Economic Impact**

Farmers report income increases of 50–100% in pilot farms



# **CO2 Impact**

GHG emissions reduced by 20% per ton of potatoes



External Links: Not disclosed

# Cool Soils Initiative (CSI) - Australia | PepsiCo

# Food Systems case selection







# Overview



## **Case objectives**

Improve GHG footprint and soil health of Australian broadacre farmers using locally relevant regenerative practices



#### Institutions Involved

PepsiCo; Mars; Kellanova; Manildra; Corsons; Allied Pinnacle; Charles Sturt University; Sustainable Food Labs



### **WG Alignment**

Regenerative agriculture; soil health; MRV





#### **Case Stage**





#### **Risks Involved**

Climate variability; farmer adoption; funding continuity; rotational gaps; irrigation water metrics



# **Scalability**

Replicable across Australia's grain belt and globally (PepsiCo wheat sourcing regions)

# **▶** Impact



#### **Innovative Drive**

Combines academic rigor with real-time on-farm impact; integrates ecosystem services modeling



### **Economic Impact**

Shared investment lowers producer cost exposure; practice bundles validated by benchmarking



### **CO2 Impact**

Canola emissions intensity reduced from 0.498 to 0.460 kgCO<sub>2</sub>e/kg (2022–2023); 23,664 reportable GHG acres transitioned



**External Links:** http://www.csu.edu.au/research/agriculture/cool-soils-initiative

# Lighthouse Regenerative Agriculture – Poland | PepsiCo

# Food Systems case selection







# Overview



# **Case objectives**

Establish a lighthouse for regenerative practices in Polish supply chains to improve soil health, resilience and yields while reducing GHG



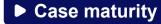
#### **Institutions Involved**

PepsiCo; Mars; ADM; Biospheres



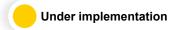
# **WG Alignment**

Regenerative agriculture; soil health; MRV





#### **Case Stage**





#### **Risks Involved**

Farmer engagement; long-term ROI for suppliers; climate variability; tracking complexity



# **Scalability**

Supply chain-wide integration offers scalability in other EU markets with similar cropping systems

# **▶** Impact



#### **Innovative Drive**

First-of-kind cross-brand regenerative pilot between PepsiCo and MARS; outcome-focused and traceable



# **Economic Impact**

Farmer income and resilience strengthened by de--risking transition by new practice incentive with long-term increase in farm business profitability



# **CO2 Impact**

11.7% reduction in MT CO2/acre; target: 20% reduction over 5 years, equivalent to ≥0.5 MT CO₂e/ha/year



External Links: Not disclosed

# Life Smart Sprayer - Real-Time Al for precision weed management | BASF

# Food Systems case selection





### **Crop / Product**

Cross-cutting (maize; sunflower; soy; sugarbeet etc.)



# Overview



## **Case objectives**

Deploy smart spraying (Al weed detection) to cut herbicide use while maintaining yields; digital mapping/MRV for sustainable farming



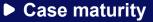
#### Institutions Involved

BASF Digital Farming GmbH; Bosch Engineering GmbH; Amazone; Bosch BASF Smart Farming GmbH; University of Hohenheim



# **WG Alignment**

Precision agriculture; ag-tech





#### **Case Stage**



# Mature generating stable results



#### Risks Involved

Investment costs and adoption resistance; technological availability and connectivity limitations; non-fitting crop protection regulation and risk assessment



# **Scalability**

Technology is modular and integrates into existing sprayers; commercial deployment already ongoing with OEM partners in Europe and Latin America; potential global adoption

# **▶** Impact



# **Innovative Drive**

Real-time AI weed detection, precision spot spraying, high-resolution recognition, 24/7 operability, digital planning, mapping, and spraying reports



# **Economic Impact**

Reduces grower input costs and improves operational efficiency; ROI estimated at 2–5 years



# **CO2 Impact**

73.7–479 tCO $_2$  (one season, area applied); saving potential ~4.4–28.6 kg CO $_2$ /ha/yr



**External Links:** https://webgate.ec.europa.eu/life/publicWebsite/project/LIFE20-ENV-DE-000650/demonstration-of-an-agronomy-integrated-see-spray-technology-for-a-more-sustainable-use-of-pesticide-in-agriculture

# The Protein Transition Tool: Unlocking Climate Solutions Through Innovation | Good Food Institute Brazil

# Food Systems case selection





Crop / Product Not disclosed



# Overview



## **Case objectives**

To show how Brazil is becoming a climate leader by promoting sustainable proteins, enabling climate and health co-benefits through data-driven decision support



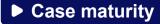
#### **Institutions Involved**

Good Food Institute Brazil (GFI Brazil)



# **WG Alignment**

Sustainable supply chains; ag-tech





## **Case Stage**



Under implementation



#### **Risks Involved**

Not disclosed



# **Scalability**

Platform designed to connect hundreds of projects globally with funding, potentially unlocking gigaton-level CO<sub>2</sub> mitigation if adopted at scale

# **▶** Impact



#### **Innovative Drive**

First platform aligning alternative protein projects with climate funding using readiness assessment and impact matching



# **Economic Impact**

Presents opportunities to unlock the main bottlenecks to price parity in Global South countries. It reduces manufacturers' production costs while aligning with climate targets and corporate ESG goals



# **CO2 Impact**

With 50% market share, alternative proteins could reduce 310 MtCO<sub>2</sub>eq/year in Brazil and 2.1 GtCO<sub>2</sub>eq/year globally by 2050 (up to 6.1 GtCO<sub>2</sub>eq/year under expanded scenarios)



External Links: Not disclosed

# IMPULSA - Incentives and rewards platform for continuous improvement of smallholder sugarcane farmers | Solidaridad Network

# Food Systems case selection











## **Case objectives**

Incentives/rewards platform to accelerate sustainable practice adoption in sugarcane and other crops



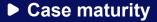
#### Institutions Involved

Solidaridad Network; Bonsucro; ALUR; Raízen; Cenicaña; Cooperativa Manduvira



# **WG Alignment**

Sustainable supply chains; smallholder support





#### **Case Stage**



Mature generating stable results



#### Risks Involved

Main risk was designing incentives and rewards packages that truly met farmer expectations and effectively drove adoption of sustainable practices



# **Scalability**

Pilot demonstrated efficacy in boosting sustainable practices; new phase being planned in Mexico

# **▶** Impact



#### **Innovative Drive**

Combines digital tools with behavioral research to empower producers



# **Economic Impact**

Improved smallholder income and compliance; farmers rewarded for adopting sustainable practices



### **CO2** Impact

As farmers adopt sustainable practices (soil analysis, agrochemical management, agroforestry), carbon should be absorbed; quantitative CO<sub>2</sub>e not reported



**External Links:** https://bonsucro.com/impact-fund/solidaridad/; https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IZ-Rltbua8I; https://drive.google.com/file/d/1Dg9JD9guLGn7qLSIal6mvLtIJ4oZl2Hp/view?usp=drive\_link; https://www.novacana.com/noticias/projeto-pequenos-produtores-cana-selecionado-fundo-impacto-bonsucro-011222

# **Driving Sustainable Food Systems | Carrefour Group**

# Food Systems case selection





Crop / Product Not disclosed



# Overview



# **Case objectives**

Corporate-led program to accelerate regenerative agriculture, traceability, and supplier engagement across multiple crops and regions.



# **Institutions Involved**

Carrefour Group



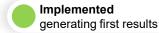
### **WG Alignment**

Regenerative agriculture; traceability; sustainable supply chains

# Case maturity



#### **Case Stage**





#### **Risks Involved**

Non-compliance risk for Scope 3 target, since over 80% of emissions come from sold products, the Group's main impact source, potentially compromising climate goals



### Scalability

Methodology is replicable and aligned with SBTi, enabling Carrefour to scale supplier engagement across its global value chain

# **▶** Impact



# **Innovative Drive**

The project is innovative in addressing Scope 3 emissions and SMEs, using a scalable methodology and targets aligned with the SBTi. It strengthens the food transition and increases decarbonization throughout the value chain



# **Economic Impact**

The project is cost-effective for emission reduction, with low implementation cost and high impact. Financial returns come from mitigating regulatory and reputational risks, positively affecting performance



# **CO2 Impact**

Strategy aims to reduce 20 MtCO<sub>2</sub>e by 2030: 6 MtCO<sub>2</sub>e (15% of target) expected from TOP100 suppliers, with the remainder from SMEs and the Food Transition Pact



**External Links:** https://www.carrefour.com/en/group/food-transition

# Global Carbon Farming Program – your partner in delivering shared value through sustainable agriculture | BASF

# Food Systems case selection





**Crop / Product** Other (barley)



# Overview



## **Case objectives**

Bring together farmers, value chain partners, and international certifiers to decarbonize agricultural value chains with climate-smart agricultural practices



#### **Institutions Involved**

BASF Agricultural Solutions; Boortmalt; Others



# **WG Alignment**

Regenerative agriculture; soil health; MRV





#### **Case Stage**



Mature generating stable results



#### **Risks Involved**

Farmer adoption resistance; data-intensive certification processes; soil sampling costs; scaling challenges with many stakeholders



# **Scalability**

With adaptation to regional and crop specificities, climate-smart practices can be scaled globally; revenue generation through Verified Impact Units and low-carbon crop premiums

# ▶ Impact



#### **Innovative Drive**

First European initiative to issue Verified Impact Units (VIUs) for farming from reducing/removing on-farm GHGs; integrates digital solutions, agronomic practices, and third-party verification



# **Economic Impact**

Farmers gain revenue from carbon certificates and premiums for low-carbon barley; companies reduce Scope 3 emissions; strengthens rural livelihoods and value chain resilience



# **CO2 Impact**

In Ireland (barley pilot), achieved 90% CO<sub>2</sub>e reduction vs. baseline, equal to 2.3 tCO<sub>2</sub>e/ha or 0.33 tCO<sub>2</sub>e/ton barley produced; 771 VIUs verified by SustainCERT; partner Boortmalt targets 30% Scope 3 reduction by 2030



External Links: https://www.agricentre.basf.co.uk/en/News-Events/BASF-Ag-Solutions-News/Journey-towards-net-zero-barley-production-101120.html

# PepsiCo-Yara Partnership for Climate-Smart Fertilization Collaboration (LATAM and EU) | PepsiCo

# Food Systems case selection





#### **Crop / Product**

Cross-cutting (potatoes; oats; rapeseed; maize; wheat; bananas; coconuts)







### **Case objectives**

Reduce GHG emissions intensity of fertilizer use across PepsiCo's supply chains by integrating low-carbon inputs and precision application systems, while improving nutrient efficiency and productivity



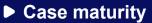
#### **Institutions Involved**

PepsiCo and Yara



# **WG Alignment**

Regenerative agriculture; low-carbon fertilizers; nutrient use efficiency





#### **Case Stage**



Under implementation



#### **Risks Involved**

High cost of low-carbon fertilizers; resistance to practice change; scalability across regions; limited service presence; fragmentation of smallholders; risk of not demonstrating fertilizer efficiency



# **Scalability**

Yara's production expansion and PepsiCo DemoFarms increase adoption capacity; digital tools and farmer training support replication globally

# **▶** Impact



#### **Innovative Drive**

Combines low-carbon fertilizer inputs with precision digital tools



# **Economic Impact**

Yield and efficiency gains justify investments; PepsiCo co-funds premiums to reduce farmer risk



# **CO2 Impact**

Yara fertilizers have reduced GHG intensity by 20-40% per ton of potatoes



**External Links:** https://www.linkedin.com/posts/jpandrew\_as-a-food-company-that-sources-more-than-activity-7320062252009623553-P4WA?utm\_source=share&utm\_medium=member\_desktop&rcm=ACoAACfWkBcBbm9brdb2fLpEXm1LTIQU0gympnA

# Bonsucro's ClimateCane Tracker: helping to cut greenhouse gas emissions in sugarcane | Bonsucro

# Food Systems case selection







# Overview



## **Case objectives**

Provide a sector tool to plan/track on-farm mitigation in sugarcane to set science-based emissions reduction targets in line with SBTi FLAG (Forests, Land and Agriculture) guidance



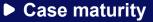
#### **Institutions Involved**

Bonsucro



# **WG Alignment**

MRV; regenerative agriculture





#### **Case Stage**





#### **Risks Involved**

Low uptake of the tool; limited awareness about emissions reduction across the sugarcane sector



# Scalability

If adopted by all Bonsucro-certified operators, targets could cover ~4 MtCO<sub>2</sub>e/year; global adoption could address up to 400 MtCO<sub>2</sub>e/year (current sugarcane sector footprint)

# **▶** Impact



#### **Innovative Drive**

A unique sugarcane-specific target-setting tool built on SBTi FLAG methodology; allows companies to easily define and monitor reduction targets with minimal data inputs



# **Economic Impact**

Tailored targets help reduce costs and improve efficiency; better monitoring supports financial returns, competitiveness, and market positioning



# **CO2 Impact**

1 MM tons of CO<sub>2</sub>eq reduced as a result of targets set with the use of the tool



External Links: https://climatecanetracker.com/wp-content/uploads/ClimateCane-Tracker-User-Guide.pdf

# From Field to Footprint: Tracking Carbon in Agriculture | CNH

# Food Systems case selection





Crop / Product Not disclosed



# Overview



# **Case objectives**

Demonstrate FarmScore platform for carbon intensity (CI) modeling in agriculture using real-time telemetry and geospatial data



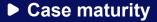
#### Institutions Involved

CNH; CASE IH; São Martinho S.A.; Fazenda Conectada



# **WG Alignment**

MRV; precision agriculture





#### **Case Stage**



Under implementation



#### Risks Involved

Connectivity limitations; data privacy; adoption resistance; validation delays; certification barriers



# **Scalability**

FarmScore uses agronomic and machine data to analyze the crop on a carbon intensity basis within each field. The system shows how and where inputs and operations can be further optimized and is scalable across a range of farm sizes

# **▶** Impact



# **Innovative Drive**

Uses real-time telemetry and geospatial modeling to calculate carbon intensity at field level, avoiding averages that mask variability; supports simulations of practice changes and certification (e.g., Low Carbon Seal)



# **Economic Impact**

By relying on existing agronomic and machine data sources, FarmScore has a low barrier to adoption. Producers are enticed by cost reduction opportunities that align with reduced carbon intensity objectives



# **CO2 Impact**

Potential to reduce CI of crops by 10–15% through optimized input allocation and machine use



External Links: https://media.cnh.com/emea/cnh/cnh-supports-expanded-rural-connectivity-in-latin-america/s/a163d2ff-9bf5-4ece-b727-4f935ab0dbb8

# **Aplique Bem Program | UPL**

# Food Systems case selection





**Crop / Product**Cross-cutting (fruits; vegetables)



# Overview



# **Case objectives**

Provide free training in pesticide application technology to farmers, promoting safe and efficient use of inputs. Public—private initiative recognized globally for 18 years



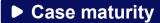
#### **Institutions Involved**

Instituto Agronômico (IAC); UPL



# **WG Alignment**

Precision agriculture; sustainable supply chains





# **Case Stage**



Mature generating stable results



#### **Risks Involved**

Not disclosed



# **Scalability**

Mobile training units and adapted vehicles allow replication in multiple regions; scalable globally as reference model

# **▶** Impact



### **Innovative Drive**

On-site training using farm equipment and simple language; theory reinforced by practice; model adapted to daily farmer routines



# **Economic Impact**

Initiative strengthens brand reputation and open negotiations for services with direct benefits



# **CO2 Impact**

Indirect reductions via efficiency gains: less water use, fewer repeated applications, minimized losses; quantitative CO<sub>2</sub>e not reported



External Links: https://www.upl-ltd.com/images/stewardship/program-and-resources/Program-1-Aplique-Bem-Stewardship-Program-In-Brazil.pdf

# Increasing the contribution of corporate commitments to achieving Brazilian agriculture's climate ambition | Proforest

# Food Systems case selection





# **Crop / Product**

Cross-cutting (soy; sugarcane; palm oil; cocoa etc.)



# Overview



## **Case objectives**

Promote the alignment of agribusiness with Brazil's NDC by strengthening the use of SBTi and insetting through sectoral engagement, case studies, and tool mapping



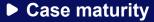
#### **Institutions Involved**

Proforest; Institute for Climate and Society (iCS)



# **WG Alignment**

Sustainable supply chains; MRV; NDC alignment





## **Case Stage**



Under implementation



#### **Risks Involved**

Lack of partners willing to share data for case study; low adherence to Call to Action due to crowded stakeholder agendas



# **Scalability**

Insetting methodologies can be applied across multiple agricultural chains; potential to contribute to Brazil's NDC and serve as a model for other countries

# **▶** Impact



#### **Innovative Drive**

Promotes insetting as an alternative to offsetting, aligning science-based targets with Brazil's agricultural reality; integrates regenerative agriculture and landscape approaches into corporate commitments



## **Economic Impact**

Attracts private climate financing, reduces reputational risks, and strengthens business partnerships; enhances value chain resilience and access to new markets



### **CO2 Impact**

More climate targets in the agro sector will drive insetting projects, reducing CO<sub>2</sub> via supply chains; methodologies aligned with GHG Protocol and SBTi FLAG



External Links: Not disclosed

# Accounting for carbon removals in sugarcane production as a driver of farming best practices | Bonsucro

# Food Systems case selection











## **Case objectives**

Develop a carbon removals system to allow sugarcane farmers to go beyond emissions accounting, quantifying field-level removals to incentivize adoption of best practices



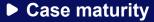
#### Institutions Involved

Bonsucro; Raízen (Brazil); Socicana (Brazil); SA Canegrowers (South Africa); SW Sugar Mills (Pakistan); Agroícone (Brazil)



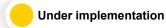
# **WG Alignment**

Soil health; regenerative agriculture; MRV





## **Case Stage**





#### **Risks Involved**

Ensuring compliance with evolving standards and guidance



### Scalability

Bonsucro-certified production already covers ~8% of global sugar supply; integration of carbon removals into the Bonsucro Calculator could scale impacts significantly

# **▶** Impact



#### **Innovative Drive**

The tool closes a gap in available tools that previously only measured emissions



# **Economic Impact**

Builds the foundation for future monetization of carbon claims deriving from the use of the tool



# **CO2 Impact**

Globally sugarcane accounts for significant GHG; program positions field-level carbon removals to cut footprints by practice



External Links: https://bonsucro.com/climate-toolkit-sustainable-agriculture/

# **Food Systems framework**

### Types of crops



Tree crop



Livestock



Row crop



# **Minimizing deforestation**



Reduce farmland expansion by sustainably increasing productivity

# Improved agriculture management practices



Improve management practices of agricultural land



Address livestock management and enteric fermentation

# **Agroforestry systems**

### **Tropical**

Oil palm, cocoa, coffee



#### Tropical

Sugarcane, soybeans

### **Temperate**

Maize, soybeans, wheat



#### **Livestock solutions**

# Tropical

Solutions that help reduce the expansion of pastureland and/or address enteric fermentation

#### Temperate

Solutions that address enteric fermentation



# Rice methane emissions solutions

Tropical (Asia focused)

China, India





Integrated Systems (Crop-Livestock-Forestry, Crop-Livestock, Livestock-Forestry etc.)

# Tropical

Cattle, soy, sugarcane







# Carbon Farming in Rice, Japan | BASF

# Food Systems case selection





Crop / Product Rice



# Overview



## **Case objectives**

Enable methane-smart rice via AWD/residue/water management with MRV to access carbon credits and improve farmer profitability



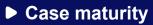
### **Institutions Involved**

BASF Agricultural Solutions; NEWGREEN



# **WG Alignment**

Methane reduction; Water management; Carbon markets; MRV; farmer profitability





## **Case Stage**



Under implementation



#### Risks Involved

Farmer adoption risk; technical and data reliability risk; market demand and financial incentive risk; regulatory and certification risk



# **Scalability**

Replicable across Japan and other rice-producing regions. Significant potential to cut methane emissions and generate carbon credits through broad adoption of AWD and DSR practices

# **▶** Impact



# **Innovative Drive**

Japan's first rice carbon farming project. DDSR and AWD cut methane by 30–70%, save water, lower costs and labor, and gain economic benefits. They offer scalable, climate-smart, and carbon-credit-eligible innovation



# **Economic Impact**

The project attracts private investment, offers green premiums, and boosts sales of digital tools and sustainable crop inputs. It shows potential through monetized carbon credits and increased farm efficiency



# **CO2 Impact**

Expected: Lower methane emissions (~30-70%). Lower labor intensity. Water savings (up to 18%). Farmers profit increase (lower production costs (~USD 160/ha), Carbon credits USD 45-150/ ha



External Links: https://agriculture.basf.com/global/en/sustainable-agriculture/climate-smart-farming/carbon-farming

# Climate smart rice farming in Thailand | PepsiCo

# Food Systems case selection





Crop / Product Rice



# Overview



## **Case objectives**

Shift smallholder rice systems to low-emission, climate-resilient development by implementing regenerative and climate-smart practices including alternate wetting and drying (AWD), site-specific nutrient management (SSNM), laser leveling, and improved seed systems, aligned with Thailand's NDC and sectoral transformation goals



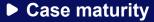
#### Institutions Involved

PepsiCo, GIZ, Green Climate Fund (GCF), BMZ, Thai government, OLAM, MARS, Ebro Foods, Better Rice Initiative Asia



### **WG Alignment**

Rice methane reduction; regenerative agriculture





## **Case Stage**



Under implementation



#### **Risks Involved**

Irrigation access inconsistency; variable extension quality; carbon market price volatility; MRV complexity; local implementation capacity



# Scalability

Applicable to smallholder rice globally via Thai Rice NAMA expansion and MRV toolkit; scale within Thailand is already expected to become significant, targeting ~250,000 farmers

# **▶** Impact



#### **Innovative Drive**

Large-scale integration of rice NAMA, public finance, carbon markets



# **Economic Impact**

Projected 20% yield and income increase for smallholder farmers; stable sourcing regions for buyers; supply chain security; reduced intervention cost with scale



# **CO2 Impact**

Expected GHG reductions of 4 million tCO<sub>2</sub>e + 11.94 million additional from National Scaling Pathway farmers by 2028



External Links: Not disclosed

# DirectAcres - Bringing Direct-Seeded Rice to the Ground | Bayer

# Food Systems case selection





Crop / Product Rice



# Overview



## **Case objectives**

Scale DSR and methane-smart rice practices through farmer enablement, tech and market linkages



#### Institutions Involved

Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR); International Rice Research Institute (IRRI); Farmer Producer Organizations; Bayer Forward Farming India; The Good Rice Alliance



# **WG Alignment**

Methane reduction; water management; MRV

# Case maturity



#### **Case Stage**



Mature generating stable results



#### **Risks Involved**

Lack of labor; high irrigation demand; water depletion risks in project regions; high methane emissions from conventional flooded rice; improvement of soil health.



# Scalability

Target to cover 1 million hectares by 2030, reaching ~2 million smallholder farmers in India and other Asian countries

# **▶** Impact



### **Innovative Drive**

Initiative offers to farmers a customized package of high-yielding hybrid seeds, a reliable weed management program, agronomic advice (in person and digital) and mechanization services



# **Economic Impact**

75% of farmers achieve a higher return on investment compared to rice grown using the transplanted method



### **CO2** Impact

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External Links: https://www.bayer.in/en/bayer-launches-forwardfarm-in-india-to-demonstrate-positive-effects-of-regenerative-agriculture

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# **Tropical**

Cattle, soy, sugarcane







# Jornada Flora | Danone

# Food Systems case selection



**Archetypes**Livestock Solutions



**Crop / Product**Dairy cattle



# Overview



## **Case objectives**

Decarbonize and bring resilience to Danone's dairy supply chain by promoting regenerative agriculture, improving animal welfare, enhancing farm efficiency, and strengthening farmer livelihoods, proving the business case for sustainability



#### **Institutions Involved**

Danone; Banco do Brasil; Sebrae; Clínica do Leite; ABS; St. Genetics; MDS Saúde Animal; Onfarm; Be Animal; Embrapa; Já Entendi Agro; Solar 8; Labor Rural; Corteva; Food Chain; Produzindo Certo



# **WG Alignment**

Livestock sustainability; Regenerative agriculture; Methane reduction; Smallholder engagement

# Case maturity



#### **Case Stage**



Mature generating stable results



#### Risks Involved

Not disclosed



# **Scalability**

Flora is scalable through Danone's regenerative agriculture programmes and partnerships with multiple companies and governments

# **▶** Impact



### **Innovative Drive**

Flora has its own laboratory for milk analysis, uses collars to track animal movements and health, operates a purchasing center, and is beginning to implement a feed additive that reduces methane emissions



## **Economic Impact**

Improves pasture productivity and resilience, reducing input dependence and supporting producer profitability



# **CO2 Impact**

47% CO<sub>2</sub>eq reduction (2020–2024) at farmgate; 42% methane reduction in fresh milk (2020–2024)



External Links: https://acrobat.adobe.com/id/urn:aaid:sc:US:cf842d5a-0cda-43eb-a5f8-c0801c8e2b60

# Nature por Ninho: Incentivize regenerative agriculture in dairy production | Nestlé

# Food Systems case selection



**Archetypes**Livestock Solutions



**Crop / Product**Dairy cattle



# Overview



# **Case objectives**

Drive dairy carbon equivalent related emissions with pasture improvement, herd/feeding practices and supplier engagement



#### **Institutions Involved**

Nestlé Brasil; Labor Rural; Embrapa;



# **WG Alignment**

Regenerative agriculture; carbon reduction; livestock emissions; biodiversity; supply chain resilience

# Case maturity



#### **Case Stage**



Mature generating stable results



#### **Risks Involved**

Weather variability; lack of farmer training; insufficient financial resources; market fluctuations; resistance to change in farming practices



# **Scalability**

Potential to reach 50% of Nestlé's milk supply chain by 2030; The program started in 2022 with 12% of the farms volume in the high level of the program (Gold), and has already scaled to 36%, with framework adaptable to wider dairy sector.

# **▶** Impact



#### **Innovative Drive**

Incentive system rewarding farmers based on regenerative agriculture adoption (Bronze to Gold categories); integration of carbon footprint calculators (Farm Assessment Tool, Cool Farm Tool)



## **Economic Impact**

When comparing Bronze farmers with Gold category, an increase on profitability (+15%) through productivity improvements (+78%); subsidies for dairy farmers (about 2–5% bonus on milk price) support adoption of regenerative practices; strengthens rural livelihoods



# **CO2 Impact**

Dairy farms achieved 19% lower carbon footprint (2022–2024) through regenerative practices; 82M liters of water saved in 3 years



External Links: https://www.nestle.com/sites/default/files/2022-07/nestle-agriculture-framework.pdf

# Scaling climate-smart livestock systems through digital ESG diagnostics | ESGpec - Sustentabilidade e Inovação Na Pecuária Ltda

# Food Systems case selection



Archetypes Livestock Solutions



**Crop / Product**Dairy cattle



# Overview



## **Case objectives**

Provide ample access to simple and sciencebased digital tools for ESG diagnostics and carbon footprint measurement in milk production, enabling measurable climate, social, and economic progress on farms



#### Institutions Involved

ESGpec; UFV; FairFood; Cotrijal



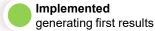
# **WG Alignment**

Livestock sustainability; MRV

# Case maturity



## **Case Stage**





#### **Risks Involved**

Low digital maturity in rural areas; resistance to change; limited connectivity; data input errors; slow adoption by industry leaders



# **Scalability**

Scalable through cooperatives and processors nationally and internationally; already applied to ~1% of Brazilian milk volume

# **▶** Impact



#### **Innovative Drive**

First Brazilian integrated ESG platform for dairy processors; combines carbon footprint (IPCC/ISO standards) with social, animal welfare, and governance metrics in a single, user-friendly system



# **Economic Impact**

SaaS-based platform, free for individual farmers; allows private sector to address market demands on traceability, welfare and sustainability, showcasing their efforts towards supplier base (Scope 3)



# **CO2 Impact**

Nearly 100 carbon footprints calculated with PEC Calc, average 1.2 kg CO<sub>2</sub>e/FPCM (37% from enteric methane)



External Links: https://www.esgpec.com.br/

# **Verde+ | Marfrig Global Foods**

# Food Systems case selection





**Crop / Product**Beef cattle



# Overview



# **Case objectives**

Launched in 2020, the Verde+ Program aims to track the entire cattle supply chain back to the birth farm, promoting sustainability and traceability across all Brazilian biomes



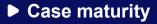
#### **Institutions Involved**

Marfrig Global Foods



# **WG Alignment**

Livestock sustainability; supply chain traceability





# **Case Stage**



Under implementation



#### **Risks Involved**

Not disclosed



# **Scalability**

The company targets 100% traceability across its supply chain by 2025; replicable monitoring system with satellite geomonitoring and blockchain

# **▶** Impact



### **Innovative Drive**

Integrates satellite geomonitoring, blockchain, and risk maps; applies production protocols such as Low Carbon Meat and Carbon Neutral Meat developed with Embrapa



# **Economic Impact**

The initiative aligns with civil society and international buyers demanding deforestation-free beef; no information regarding the economic impact disclosed



# **CO2 Impact**

Marfrig has SBTi-verified targets, committing to reduce Scope 3 emissions by 33%



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# Mafisa Livestock Grazing Carbon Project | Mafisa

# Food Systems case selection





**Crop / Product**Beef cattle



# Overview



## **Case objectives**

Transform livestock production systems by implementing rotational grazing across 118 communities in Western Province. The initiative improves animal health and farmer livelihoods while sequestering carbon, reducing fires, and restoring degraded rangelands



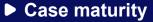
#### Institutions Involved

Mafisa Community Transformation Trust; Shell



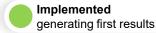
# **WG Alignment**

Carbon markets; regenerative livestock systems





#### **Case Stage**





#### **Risks Involved**

Carbon market price volatility, extreme drought events, delays and uncertainty in certification processes, and logistical constraints in scaling



# Scalability

Designed to expand from 9 pilot communities to 118, covering >200,000 hectares of rangeland. The model is replicable globally, enabling carbon finance to support farmer incomes

# **▶** Impact



#### **Innovative Drive**

Pioneers large-scale rotational grazing in Africa, integrating RFID and GPS to monitor animal movement, coupled with digital applications for field data collection. Infrastructure such as boreholes and spray races is tailored to local conditions



### **Economic Impact**

+5,470 individuals have benefited directly, with 170 permanent jobs, a 40% reduction in cattle mortality, and improved incomes in communities where 90% live below the poverty line



# **CO2 Impact**

Expected to sequester over 24 million tCO<sub>2</sub>e. Initial results show ~500,000 tCO<sub>2</sub>e avoided annually



**External Links:** https://mafisa.org/

# Pâturond Regenerative Grazing Project | JBS

# Food Systems case selection





**Crop / Product**Beef cattle



# Overview



## **Case objectives**

Compare three grazing methods on French cattle farms to measure carbon storage, biodiversity and performance; support climate-resilient cattle



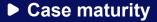
#### Institutions Involved

JBS; McDonald's France; Pilgrim's Europe; INRAE; VetAgro Sup



### **WG Alignment**

Livestock sustainability; regenerative grazing; soil health





## **Case Stage**





#### **Risks Involved**

Breeder dropout; AMP applied to only one pasture to limit production risks during the learning phase



# **Scalability**

Promotes soil carbon storage and sustainable grazing to cut CO2 while supporting productivity for land-based climate solutions and resilient agriculture

# **▶** Impact



#### **Innovative Drive**

Combines scientific rigor (PhD research, multiple indicators) with direct farmer engagement; compares grazing systems in real-world conditions



# **Economic Impact**

Provides reference data to help farmers choose systems balancing productivity, cost, and sustainability; private sector (McDonald's, Pilgrim's) benefits through supply chain resilience



# **CO2 Impact**

Project enhances soil carbon storage and offers low-emission pathways for cattle farming through improved grassland management



External Links: https://impact.economist.com/projects/mcdonalds-and-regenerative-agriculture/a-more-sustainable-future-for-farming-why-farmers-cant-do-it-alone/

# Pilgrim's Europe regenerative pig production system | JBS

# Food Systems case selection





**Crop / Product**Pork



# Overview



# **Case objectives**

Use high-welfare outdoor pig systems in mixed farms with regenerative practices to improve animal welfare, reduce emissions intensity and enhance soil health



#### Institutions Involved

JBS; Pilgrim's Europe; UK Government; NGOs (various)



# **WG Alignment**

Regenerative agriculture; livestock emissions; animal welfare; crop-livestock integration

# Case maturity



#### **Case Stage**



Mature generating stable results



#### **Risks Involved**

Tenant farmers manage herds rather than landowners, which may limit continuity and soil investment; outdoor pigs face biosecurity risks



# **Scalability**

Outdoor pig systems can expand in regions with retailer and consumer demand for higher-welfare pork; crop rotation integration supports regenerative farming and lowers input use

# **▶** Impact



# **Innovative Drive**

Integrates outdoor pigs into crop systems to reduce inputs, improve soil health, and enhance biodiversity while addressing animal welfare goals



# **Economic Impact**

Pilgrim's benefits from consumer demand for higher-welfare pork; model integrates manure into crop rotations, reducing fertilizer costs and improving resilience of tenant-farmer systems



# **CO2 Impact**

Outdoor pig farms emit less CO<sub>2</sub> than UK average; manure and crop rotation reduce synthetic fertilizer and pesticide use, lowering overall carbon footprint



External Links: Not disclosed

# Tetra Pak Dairy Hub model - Development of dairy value chains in LMIC | Tetra Pak

# Food Systems case selection





**Crop / Product**Dairy cattle



# Overview



# **Case objectives**

Build dairy value chains via extension, aggregation and market access to strengthen smallholder productivity/resilience



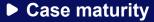
# **Institutions Involved**

Tetra Pak International S.A.



# **WG Alignment**

Livestock sustainability; smallholder engagement





#### **Case Stage**



Mature generating stable results



#### **Risks Involved**

Informal milk distribution poses major risks to dairy quality and public health, making food safety one of the most pressing challenges in informal dairy markets



# **Scalability**

Model proven in Bangladesh, Kenya, and Colombia; already 29 hubs established and nearly 84,000 farmers reached, with target of 100,000 by 2030. Highly replicable across emerging markets

# **▶** Impact



# **Innovative Drive**

Links smallholders to formal markets, combining tech, training, and guaranteed milk offtake to boost income, reduce waste, and build resilient, sustainable dairy systems



### **Economic Impact**

Improves household income resilience via productivity gains and stable buyer relationships



### **CO2 Impact**

Higher milk yields reduce emissions per liter via improved herd/feed/energy management



**External Links:** https://www.tetrapak.com/about-tetra-pak/news-and-events/newsarchive/tetra-pak-launches-dairy-hub-handbook-paving-the-way-for-a-more-resilient-dairy-value-chain

# Driving Forest-Positive Transformation in Brazil's Beef Supply Chain | Carrefour Group

# Food Systems case selection





**Crop / Product**Beef cattle



# Overview



# **Case objectives**

Advance forest-positive beef through traceability, supplier engagement, and compliance to eliminate deforestation risk



#### **Institutions Involved**

Carrefour Group



### **WG Alignment**

Livestock sustainability; traceability; supply chain transparency

# Case maturity



#### **Case Stage**



Mature generating stable results



#### **Risks Involved**

Lack of agile monitoring and traceability support may enable sourcing from deforested areas, undermining compliance and transparency



# Scalability

Case demonstrates potential for sector-wide adoption; Carrefour became the only retailer monitoring deforestation across all Brazilian biomes, setting a replicable benchmark

# **▶** Impact



# **Innovative Drive**

First retail-led case to integrate legal enforcement, open data (MapBiomas), satellite monitoring, and grievance channels across all biomes



# **Economic Impact**

With low-cost tech and rapid deployment, traceability reduces exposure to legal and reputational risks, safeguards market access, and aligns ESG performance with long-term profitability and investor expectations



# **CO2 Impact**

Deforestation avoidance through geomonitoring of 24.6M ha and 31,802 farms (2024); quantitative CO<sub>2</sub>e to be reported



**External Links:** https://api.mziq.com/mzfilemanager/v2/d/32539bbc-7be4-42e1-a485-98a052dc3a81/d6456036-793d-b025-4113-8afef5b972f0?origin=2

# How to reduce GHG emissions from the cattle-related value chain and produce the world's greenest cattle-related products in Brazil | Ajinomoto

# Food Systems case selection



Archetypes Livestock Solutions



**Crop / Product**Dairy cattle, beef cattle



# Overview



# **Case objectives**

Introduce AjiPro®-L, a nutritional solution that integrates innovation, regenerative practices, and green financing to generate environmental and economic value in sustainable livestock farming



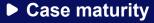
#### Institutions Involved

**Ajinomoto** 



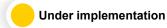
# **WG Alignment**

Livestock sustainability; regenerative grazing





#### **Case Stage**





#### **Risks Involved**

Not disclosed



## Scalability

By utilizing AjiPro®-L, it is possible to achieve a reduction of 1t-CO2-eq/cattle/Y. If introduced to 1% of the world's cattle through a scalable model via dairy and meat manufacturers, a reduction of 10 million tons of GHG emissions is anticipated

# **▶** Impact



#### **Innovative Drive**

Provides amino acid–balanced feed solution that reduces enteric methane, CO<sub>2</sub> from supply chain, and N<sub>2</sub>O from manure



# **Economic Impact**

Producers save ~\$100 per head per year by replacing more expensive conventional feed; no upfront investment needed for adoption



### **CO2 Impact**

Using AjiPro®-L results in 25% reduction in N2O from manure, 20% reduction in CO2 from purchases, and 10% reduction in methane from burps. Methodology is registered in several carbon credit systems



External Links: https://www.ajinomoto.com/innovation/our\_innovation/ajipro-l

# **Food Systems framework**

Types of crops









# **Minimizing deforestation**



# Improved agriculture management practices



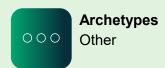


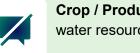


**Other** 

# Rainwater harvesting system for subsistence irrigation | Sigma Lithium

# Nature Bases Solutions case selection





**Crop / Product** water resources / family farming



# Overview



## **Case objectives**

The project will build 2,000 rainwater harvesting reservoirs in priority micro-basins of Brazil's Jequitinhonha Valley, enhancing community water resilience, reducing soil erosion, and empowering women farmers through training and access to value chains to strengthen food security



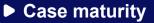
#### **Institutions Involved**

Sigma Lithium



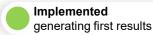
## **WG Alignment**

Climate adaptation; smallholder support





#### **Case Stage**





#### **Risks Involved**

Poorly prepared soils, unsuitable site selection, or rainfall exceeding the designed capacity can compromise the stability and efficiency of the water harvesting system, leading to loss of retention or erosion.



# **Scalability**

The project is a scalable, low-cost solution for water security and micro-basin regeneration. It reduces the risks of drought and erosion, strengthens family farming, and promotes women's productive inclusion. Its expansion generates positive climate impacts, protects natural resources, and contributes to global goals under the Paris Agreement and the SDGs.

# **▶** Impact



#### **Innovative Drive**

Empowers women in community water management, transforming rainwater harvesting systems into drivers of sustainable food security



# **Economic Impact**

Aligned with Sigma Lithium's focus on environmental preservation, the project generates tangible economic value by reducing agricultural losses, increasing productivity, and lowering water-related costs through women's leadership.



# **CO2 Impact**

Indirect reductions through environmental gains from increased vegetation, reduced deforestation pressure, prevention of soil erosion, and sustainable use of water resources; not quantified.



External Links: Not disclosed

# Thai Union Sustainable Shrimp Value Chain Project | Asian Development Bank

# Food Systems case selection





**Crop / Product** Other (shrimp)



# Overview



# **Case objectives**

Enhance the sustainability and climate resilience of Thailand's shrimp value chain by financing Thai Union's procurement, processing, and exports of responsibly sourced shrimp



#### Institutions Involved

Thai Union Group PLC; Asian Development Bank; Commercial lenders



### **WG Alignment**

Innovative financing; climate resilience; rural development

# Case maturity



# **Case Stage**



Under implementation



#### Risks Involved

Farmer ability to pursue and access to certifications; vulnerability to climatic shocks and natural hazards; market volatility in shrimp and feed prices; demand for certified shrimp



### Scalability

Instead: The Project supports capacity building for representatives from at least 500 shrimp farms, with scalable frameworks. The approach is replicable across shrimp supply chains in the region

# **▶** Impact



#### Innovative Drive

The loan was classified as a blue loan under Green Finance Framework, and will support Thai Union in reaching its commitment of 100% responsibly-sourced shrimp by 2030 and related expenses supporting this commitment



# **Economic Impact**

Improves farm profitability and resilience and builds long-term export competitiveness for responsibly sourced shrimp



### **Climate Impact**

The facilitation of the transition to sustainable shrimp farming will reduce environmental impacts and support ecosystem conservation while improving climate resilience of shrimp farmers



**External Links:** https://www.adb.org/projects/58263-001/main

# Scaling Production of Insect-based inputs to Transform Food Systems in Africa | INSECTIPRO

# Food Systems case selection





**Crop / Product** Other (insects)



# Overview



## **Case objectives**

Scale insect-based food, feed, and fertilizer production using circular, low-cost, and sustainable models to improve nutrition and environmental resilience in African food systems



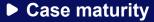
#### **Institutions Involved**

InsectiPro



# **WG Alignment**

Ag-tech; circularity; regenerative agriculture





### **Case Stage**





#### **Risks Involved**

Insufficient insect egg production; low market acceptance; inconsistent organic waste supply; climate variability; contamination/biosecurity risks



# Scalability

Planned scale-up to 150T/month production capacity within 3–5 years; supported by R&D pilots, partnerships, and training programs; potential to avoid 100,000+ tCO<sub>2</sub>e in 5 years

# **▶** Impact



# **Innovative Drive**

Integrates insect bioconversion with school nutrition, gender-sensitive farmer training, and circular economy practices; pilots genetic improvement of BSF and product diversification



### **Economic Impact**

500+ green jobs created; low-cost waste input ensures profitability; farmers trained (20,000+, 48% women) reported 28% higher yields



# **CO2 Impact**

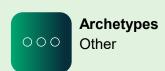
30,602 tCO<sub>2</sub>e avoided through waste upcycling; estimated potential of 100,000+ tCO<sub>2</sub>e reduction over 5 years; quantified via Life Cycle Assessment (LCA)



External Links: www.insectipro.com

# Promoting More Sustainable Eating Among Thousands Around the World | Electrolux do Brasil S.A.

# Food Systems case selection







# Overview



## **Case objectives**

Promote dietary shifts and procurement choices to lower food-system emissions and improve health outcomes



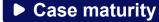
#### Institutions Involved

Electrolux Food Foundation; AIESEC; World Association of Chefs Societies; Electrolux Group



# **WG Alignment**

Sustainable supply chains





#### **Case Stage**





#### Risks Involved

Not disclosed



### Scalability

The Electrolux Food Foundation and its case contributes toward Responsible Consumption and Production (SDG 12) and Global Partnerships for Sustainable Development (SDG 17)





# **Innovative Drive**

Uses free, engaging toolkits and workshops (especially for children) to spread awareness; combines education, training, and food aid in a scalable, low-cost, high-impact model



#### **Economic Impact**

Builds brand trust, engages employees, supports community resilience



# **CO2 Impact**

By promoting plant-based diets and reducing food waste, the project indirectly contributes to lowering food-related emissions across communities and supply chains



**External Links:** https://www.electroluxgroup.com/en/category/sustainability/food-foundation/

# First Movers Coalition for Food | World Economic Forum

# Food Systems case selection





#### **Crop / Product**

Cross-cutting (multi-commodity, global demand aggregation initiative)







# **Case objectives**

Aggregate buyer demand and commitments to accelerate decarbonization in key food-system categories through procurement levers



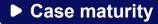
#### **Institutions Involved**

Nestlé; PepsiCo; Danone; Carlsberg; Kraft Heinz; Coca-Cola



# **WG Alignment**

Demand signals; corporate climate targets; sustainable procurement





#### **Case Stage**





#### Risks Involved

Not disclosed



# Scalability

Designed for multiple geographies and commodities; procurement target of US\$10–20Bn; coalition members represent >US\$900Bn in sales and most have Paris-aligned SBTi Scope 3 targets

# **▶** Impact



# **Innovative Drive**

Demand signals are key to ensure the viability of scaling sustainable agricultural production. These support tailored mechanisms and proposals for financial actors to participate at scale, and in optimizing costs along the value chain



# **Economic Impact**

The initiative has a core objective to improve productivity, farmer livelihoods and build resilience for farmers and value chains, while enabling decarbonization, and other co-benefits



# **CO2 Impact**

Initiative aligned with Scope 3 decarbonization for corporate members; indirect reductions through scaled adoption of low-carbon practices



External Links: https://initiatives.weforum.org/first-movers-coalition-for-food/home



**Annex** 



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