

# | The UAE and USA: AIM For Climate

The Agriculture Innovation Mission for Climate (AIM for Climate) is a joint initiative led by the United Arab Emirates and the United States. Officially launched at COP26 in 2021, AIM for Climate is accelerating transformative innovation in the agricultural sector to help address the climate crisis and global hunger. By uniting global partners to significantly increase investment in climate-smart agriculture and food systems innovation, AIM for Climate is catalyzing the development and deployment of new sustainable technologies at the intersection of agriculture and climate.



## | During COP26, AIM for Climate announced the following:

- Garnered support from a growing coalition of over 300 partners, which now includes 45 countries.
- Mobilized over \$8 billion in new investment, including a \$1 billion commitment from both the UAE and US.
- Hosted the first AIM for Climate ministerial meeting in Dubai, led by UAE Minister of Climate Change and Environment HE Mariam Almheiri and US Secretary of Agriculture Tom Vilsack.
- Four focal areas for innovation sprints were launched at COP27: smallholder farmers in low- and middle-income countries, methane reduction, emerging technologies and agroecological research.

## | AIM for Climate will mobilize partnerships through:

**Government** - Where public aggregate investment has increased in Agricultural Innovation.

**Innovation Sprint** - Enabling investment for bold ideas to foster innovation in an expedited timeframe.

**Knowledge** - Private research, education and international organizations and NGOs who support the objectives of AIM for Climate.



## I AIM for Climate Objectives

1. Demonstrate a collective commitment to significantly increase investment in agricultural innovation for climate-smart agriculture and food systems over the next five years (2021-2025).
  2. Support frameworks and structures to enable technical discussions and the promotion of expertise, knowledge and priorities across the international and national levels of innovation to amplify the impact of participants' investment.
  3. Establish improved lines of communication and collaboration between government, scientists and key stakeholders in the Agri-tech sector. This will help foster climate-related agriculture innovation and build greater cooperation on shared research priorities between countries.
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## I AIM For Climate Scope

AIM for Climate focuses on increasing and accelerating investment in and support for climate smart agriculture innovation in the areas of:

1. Scientific breakthroughs via basic agricultural research through national level government and academic research institutions.
  2. Public and private applied research, including through support to international research centers, institutions and laboratory networks.
  3. Development, demonstration and deployment of practical, actionable, and innovative products, services and knowledge to producers and other market participants, including through national agricultural research extension systems.
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## I Testimonials

### US Special Presidential Envoy for Climate John Kerry

“The United States is proud to be pioneering the Agriculture Innovation Mission for Climate initiative along with the United Arab Emirates and several other supportive partners. I was impressed by the ingenuity being applied to food and climate challenges during my recent trip to the UAE and know that we all stand to benefit by sharing best practices and raising innovation ambition when it comes to climate-smart agriculture.”

### US Secretary of Energy Jennifer Granholm

“Agriculture is such a critical piece of the climate action puzzle. The United States thanks the UAE for accelerating the research and development necessary to lower emissions from that sector. The US is proud to join you as an inaugural member of the Agriculture Innovation Mission for Climate initiative. We also greatly value the UAE's partnership through the Clean Energy Ministerial as we work to raise gender diversity in clean energy professions”



For more information about the AIM for Climate initiative visit:  
<https://www.uaeusaunited.com/story/agriculture-innovation-mission-climate>