

# | 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 sustainable agriculture 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 500 partners, which now includes 50 countries.
- Mobilized over \$13 billion in new investment, including a \$1 billion commitment from both the UAE and US.
- Launched 51 private sector innovation sprints to catalyze development in sustainable agriculture.
- 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.



## 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.

## 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.

## Testimonials

### U.S. Secretary of Agriculture Tom Vilsack

"I am proud of the immense growth for AIM for Climate since it first launched. As we look forward to COP28 in Dubai, I am excited to see the innovation and collaboration that the Summit has spurred with the investments, challenges and awards announced this week."

### U.S. President Joseph R. Biden

"A special thank you to our partners in the United Arab Emirates, my friend Tom Vilsack and the entire Department of Agriculture...By working together, we can further strengthen global food supplies, boost farmers' incomes, and protect our planet for future generations."



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