

The UAE and US: 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 will accelerate 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 over five years (2021 – 2025), AIM for Climate will serve as a catalyst to develop and deploy new sustainable technologies at the intersection of agriculture and climate.



Since launching at COP26, AIM for Climate has:

- Garnered support from a growing coalition of 40 countries and more than 130 non-government partners.
- Raised over \$4 billion in new investment, including a \$1 billion commitment from both the UAE and US. AIM for Climate intends to double investment to \$8 billion by November 2022.
- Hosted the first AIM for Climate ministerial meeting in Dubai, led by UAE Minister of Climate Change and Environment HE Mariam Almheiri and US Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack.
- Announced four focal areas for innovation sprints to be launched at COP27: smallholder farmers in low- and middle-income countries, methane reduction, emerging technologies and agroecological research.

| AIM for Climate will mobilize participation through:



Government Partners: Increases in aggregate public investment in agricultural innovation.

Innovation Sprint Partners: Enabling investment for bold ideas to foster innovation in an expedited timeframe with non-government participants.

Knowledge Partners: Private research, education institutions, international organizations and other NGOs who support the objectives of AIM for Climate and participate in its activities.

| AIM for Climate Objectives

1. Demonstrate a collective commitment to significantly increase investment in agricultural innovation for climate-smart agriculture and food systems over 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 appropriate structures for exchanges between Ministers, chief scientists, and other stakeholders, as key focal points and champions for cooperation on climate-related agricultural innovation, to engender greater co-creation and cooperation on shared research priorities between countries.

| 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."



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