Background and objectives
A coherent policy framework, coordinated institutional approach and stakeholder involvement are crucial for the livestock sector to meet the rising demand for animal-based food and achieve positive social, economic, and environmental outcomes. The session will discuss international consensus on livestock issues and priorities and offer insights into on-the-ground developments. By adopting a food system lens and sustainable practices, the sector can drive transformative change towards more productive, equitable and sustainable food systems.

Expected outcomes
1. Raise awareness of the significance of policies and multi-stakeholder involvement for sustainable livestock development.
2. Enable data and knowledge exchange to support countries in addressing the rising demand for animal-based food.
3. Promote a holistic approach that includes all relevant stakeholders, recognising the interconnectedness of social, economic and environmental considerations in livestock farming.

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Programme
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13:35 Keynote Speech
13:45 Panel Discussion
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