

# UN Food Systems Summit +4 Stocktake

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## Strengthening Enabling Conditions for Food Systems Change through Policy Mechanisms

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List of speakers, in all segments, and key messages

NAME AND TITLE OF SPEAKER	SEGMENT (opening, panel, closing, etc.)	KEY MESSAGES OR/AND RESPONSES TO QUESTIONS
1. Emeline Fellus, Senior Director, Agriculture & Food, WBCSD	Moderator	

2. Dr Namukolo Covic, EAT Lancet 2.0 Commissioner, Director General's Representative to Ethiopia ILRI, Regional Director, East & Southern Africa CGIAR	Opening remarks	<p>EAT Lancet 2.0 will be published in a couple of months. It will be an update from the EAT Lancet 1.0, with an additional justice component as well as more context specificity.</p> <p>EAT 2.0 will provide the guidingstar for food systems transformation— for which businesses need to develop and scale up solutions.</p>
3. Sebastian Lukas Bych, Deputy Head of Mission at the Embassy of Denmark in Addis Ababa	Panelist	<p>Policymaking in Denmark requires balancing economic interests while protecting the Planet and in particular reducing climate impact; for the transformation to happen and last, building trust, collaboration, and shared ownership across stakeholders is crucial.</p> <p>Denmark's Green Tripartite Agreement serves as a model for co-designing solutions with agricultural, environmental and industrial stakeholders.</p>
4. Eija Hietavuo, Chief Corporate Affairs, Tetra Pak	Panelist	<p>Sweden's innovation ecosystem, supported by government and academia, was showcased through Biotech Heights, where Tetra Pak contributes to food innovation and product development.</p> <p>Let's be holistic in our policymaking and financing in looking at climate, nature and nutrition, and involving the SMEs in the 'hidden middle' of the value chain</p>
5. Kaori Ono, Executive Officer General Manager Sustainability, Ajinomoto	Panelist	<p>In Japan, the government launched the Green Strategy for Sustainable Food Systems which is supported by Ajinomoto and shows the government's long-term ambition.</p> <p>Farmers need to be at the centre of solutions.</p>

Overall session summary, conclusions and recommended actions (max 250 words)

- Inclusive, collaboratively shaped and context-specific policies are essential. **Denmark's Green Tripartite Agreement** was highlighted as a model for co-designing solutions with agriculture, environmental, and industry stakeholders.
- **Sweden's innovation ecosystem**, supported by government and academia, was showcased through **Biotech Heights**, where Tetra Pak contributes to food innovation and product development. Meanwhile in Japan, the government launched the Green Strategy for Sustainable Food Systems which is supported by Ajinomoto and shows the government's long-term ambition.
- There is a **need to scale innovation and investment**, especially in the **Global South**, by building on existing public-private efforts and ensuring solutions are provided for SMEs too, and tailored to local contexts.
- **Business actors emphasized their role as core contributors to food systems transformation**, alongside governments, farmers, civil society, and youth, especially when it comes to co-designing policy.
- **A call was made to align around a few key outcomes**, such as farmer livelihoods, nutrition, climate, nature, soil health and water, to converge investments and policy support.
- The issue is not a lack of finance, but rather the **need to mobilize existing resources** (e.g., climate finance, agricultural subsidies) **toward food systems outcomes**.
- **Collaboration across sectors and geographies is critical**. The FSS+4 community was recognized as a platform to foster this collective action.