

## **CSM Intervention on “Environment and Animal Welfare”**

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***Fourth Speaker – Dirk Jan Verdonk, World Animal Protection or Emily Lewis-Brown, Compassion in World Farming***

*Thank you.*

*In addition to the comments made by our earlier speakers, CSM is appreciative of the good progress made in the HLPE Report and CFS recommendations on ways to develop sustainable agriculture that protects the environment and animal welfare.*

*There are clear win-wins to be gained from supporting farming practices and land-based, smallholder mixed and pastoralist systems, including agro-ecology, that preserve and restore environments and the climate, as well as caring for farm workers and farm animals.*

*The HLPE report also identifies the need to address the impacts of industrial livestock production systems on workers, antimicrobial resistance, the environment and animal health and welfare, with the inherent trade-offs.*

*In addition to the 70 billion animals farmed for food each year, We are happy that the draught power of the working animals that smallholder farmers rely upon to produce and distribute food are also recognized in the CFS recommendations.*

*The CFS recommendations make good use and reference to other international fora, such as OIE and the UNFCCC, and we would welcome the opportunity to take some issues further within the CFS in the future.*

*For example, the HLPE reports on the need to reduce overconsumption of Animal Sources Foods in some populations, to allow contraction and convergence of consumption to improve Food Security and Nutrition.*

*We hope that this and other issues will be negotiated successfully in the following year through the nutrition report.*

*CSM looks forward to an ongoing engagement with CFS in advancing the unfinished livestock agenda to ensure food security and nutrition.*