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IPC Joins FAO Global Agenda for Sustainable Livestock

The International Poultry Council (IPC) has become a member of the Global Agenda for Sustainable Livestock, a partnership of livestock sector stakeholders established by the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO). The partnership is committed to the sustainable development of the global livestock sector.

With global population projected to reach 9.6 billion in 2050, the livestock sector's role in sustainable food and agriculture will continue to increase. Recognizing that growing populations, income gains, and urbanization have made livestock one of the fastest growing sub-sectors of agriculture, FAO started a process in 2010 to establish the Global Agenda for Sustainable Livestock. The initial organizational set up was agreed to in January 2013.

The IPC is one of 52 current partners in the Global Agenda initiative. Anne-Marie Neeteson, vice president-welfare and compliance at Aviagen and IPC's FAO co-observer, will serve as the organization's Global Agenda representative.

This is IPC's second private-sector partnership initiative with FAO. The organization has participated in the Livestock Environmental Assessment and Performance (LEAP) partnership since 2012. The objective of LEAP is to develop comprehensive guidance and methodology for understanding the environmental performance of livestock supply chains.

The IPC represents about 80 percent of the world's poultry production, and about 95 percent of global trade in poultry meat.

Poultry industry representatives in 24 countries are members of the IPC, which was formed in 2005.