

# War on Global Agriculture: The Unsustainable 'Sustainable' UN Agenda 2030

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Over the past weeks a coordinated all-out assault on our agriculture—the ability to produce food for human existence—has begun. The recent G20 governmental meeting in Bali, the UN Agenda 2030 Cop27 meeting in Egypt, the Davos World Economic Forum and Bill Gates are all complicit. Typically, they are using dystopian linguistic framing to give the illusion they are up to good when they are actually advancing an agenda that will lead to famine and death for hundreds of millions not billions if allowed to proceed. It's driven by a coalition of money.

## From G20 to Cop27 to WEF

On November 13 the G20-representatives of the 20 most influential nations including the USA, the UK, the European Union (though it's no nation), Germany, Italy, France, Japan, South Korea, and several developing countries including China, India, Indonesia and Brazil, agreed on a final declaration.

The first major item is a "call for an accelerated transformation towards sustainable and resilient agriculture and food systems and supply chains."

Further, "working together to sustainably produce and distribute food, ensure that food systems better contribute to adaptation and mitigation to climate change, and halting and reversing biodiversity loss, diversify food sources..."

In addition they called for "inclusive, predictable, and non-discriminatory, rules-based agricultural trade based on WTO rules."

As well, "We are committed to supporting the adoption of innovative practices and technologies, including digital innovation in agriculture and food systems to enhance productivity and sustainability in harmony with nature..."

Then comes the revealing statement: "We reiterate our commitment to achieve global net zero greenhouse gas emissions/carbon neutrality by or around mid-century." [i](emphasis mine)

"Sustainable agriculture" with "net zero greenhouse gas emissions" is Orwellian doublespeak. For an outsider to UN linguistics, the words sound too good. What in fact is being promoted is the most radical destruction of farming and agriculture globally under the name "sustainable agriculture."

Following the Bali G20 confab by only days was the United Nations' COP27 annual Green Agenda Climate Summit meeting in Egypt. There, the participants from most UN countries along with NGOs such as Greenpeace and hundreds of other green NGOs drafted a second call. COP27 launched something they revealingly call FAST- UN's new Food and Agriculture for Sustainable Transformation (FAST) initiative. Fast, as in "to abstain from food..."

According to Forbes, FAST will promote a "shift towards sustainable, climate-resilient, healthy diets, would help reduce health and climate change costs by up to US\$ 1.3 trillion while supporting food security in the face of climate change." We are talking big numbers. \$1.3 trillion by transition to "sustainable, climate-resilient, healthy diets" that would reduce cost of climate change by \$1.3 trillion. [ii] What's really going on behind all these words?

# Big Money Behind

According to the UN Food and Agriculture Organization speaking to Reuters during COP27, within a year the FAO will launch a "gold standard" blueprint for reduction of so-called Greenhouse gases from agriculture.

The impulse for this war on agriculture comes not surprisingly from big money, FAIRR Initiative, a UK-based coalition of international investment managers which focuses on "material ESG risks and opportunities caused by intensive livestock production."

Their members include the most influential players in global finance including BlackRock, JP Morgan Asset Management, Allianz AG of Germany, Swiss Re, HSBC Bank, Fidelity Investments, Edmond de Rothschild Asset Management, Credit Suisse, Rockefeller Asset Management, UBS Bank and numerous other banks and pension funds with total assets under management of \$25 trillion.[iii] They are now opening the war on agriculture much as they have on energy. The UN FAO Deputy Director for Climate Change policies, Zitouni Ould-Dada said during the COP27 that, "There has never been this much attention to food and agriculture anytime before. This COP is definitely the one." [iv]

The FAIRR claims, without proof, that

"food production accounts for around a third of global greenhouse gas emissions and is the main threat to 86% of the world's species at risk of extinction, while cattle ranching is responsible for three quarters of Amazon rainforest loss." [v]

The FAO plans to propose drastic reduction in global livestock production, especially cattle, which FAIRR claims is responsible for

"nearly a third of the global methane emissions linked to human activity, released in the form of cattle burps, manure and the cultivation of feed crops." For them, the best way to stop cow burps and cow manure is to eliminate cattle. [vi]

# Unsustainable Sustainable Agriculture

The fact that the UN FAO is about to release a roadmap to drastically reduce so-called greenhouse gases from global agriculture, under the false claim of "sustainable agriculture" that is being driven by the world's largest wealth managers including BlackRock, JP Morgan, AXA and such, tells volumes about the true agenda. These are some of the most corrupt financial institutions on the planet. They never put a penny where they are not guaranteed huge profits. The war on farming is their next target.

The term "sustainable" was created by David Rockefeller's Malthusian Club of Rome. In their 1974 report, Mankind at the Turning Point, The Club of Rome argued:

Nations cannot be interdependent without each of them giving up some of, or at least acknowledging limits to, its own independence. Now is the time to draw up a master plan for organic sustainable growth and world development based on global allocation of all finite resources and a new global economic system. [vii](emphasis mine)

That was the early formulation of the UN Agenda 21, Agenda 2030 and the 2020 Davos Great Reset. In 2015 UN member nations adopted what is called the Sustainable Development Goals or SDGs: 17 Goals to Transform our World. Goal 2 is "End hunger, achieve food security and improved nutrition and promote sustainable agriculture."

But if we read in detail into proposals of COP27, G20 and Davos WEF of Klaus Schwab we find what is meant by these nice sounding words. Now we are being inundated with claims, unverified, by numerous government and privately-funded think tank models that our agriculture systems are a major cause of, yes, global warming. Not only CO2 but methane and nitrogen. Yet the entire global greenhouse gas argument that our planet is on the brink of irreversible disaster if we do not radically change our emissions by 2030 is unverifiable nonsense from opaque computer models. Based on these models the UN IPCC insists that if we do not stop a global temperature rise of 1.5 C above the level of 1850, by 2050 the world will essentially end.

# The War Is Just Beginning

The UN and Davos WEF teamed up in 2019 to jointly advance the SDG UN Agenda 2030. On the WEF website this is openly admitted to mean getting rid of meat protein sources, introducing promoting unproven fake meat, advocating alternative protein such as salted ants or ground crickets or worms to replace chicken or beef or lamb. At COP27, discussion was about "diets that can remain within planetary boundaries, including lowering meat consumption, developing alternatives, and spurring the shift towards more native plants, crops and grains (thus reducing the current reliance on wheat, maize, rice, potatoes)." [viii]

The WEF is promoting a shift from meat protein diets to vegan arguing it would be more "sustainable". [ix] They also promote lab-grown or plant-based lab meat alternatives such as the Bill Gates-funded Impossible Burgers, whose own FDA tests indicate it is a likely carcinogen as it is produced with GMO soy and other products saturated with glyphosate. The CEO of Air Protein, another fake meat company, Lisa Lyons, is a special WEF adviser. WEF also promotes insect protein alternatives to meat. Note also Al Gore is a Trustee of WEF. [x]

The war on animal raising for meat is just getting deadly serious. The government of the Netherlands whose Prime Minister Mark Rutte, formerly of Unilever, is a WEF Agenda Contributor, has created a special Minister for the Environment and Nitrogen, Christianne van der Wal. Using a never-invoked and outdated EU Natura 2000 nature protection guidelines designed allegedly to "protect moss and clover," and based on fraudulent test data, the Government just announced it will forcibly close 2,500 cattle farms across Holland. Their goal is to force fully 30% of cattle farms to close or face expropriation.

In Germany the German Meat Industry Association (VDF), says that within the next four to six months Germany will face a meat shortage, and prices will skyrocket. Hubert Kelliger, a VDF board member said, "In four, five, six months we will have gaps on the shelves." Pork is expected to experience the worst shortages. The issues in meat supply are due to Berlin insisting on reducing the numbers of livestock by 50% to reduce global warming emissions. [xi] In Canada, the Trudeau government, another Davos WEF product, according to the Financial Post of July 27, plans to cut emissions from fertilizer 30 per cent by 2030 as part of a plan to get to net zero in the next three decades. But growers are saying that to achieve that, they may have to shrink grain output significantly.

When the autocratic President of Sri Lanka banned all import of nitrogen fertilizers in April 2021 in a brutal effort to return to a past of "sustainable" agriculture, harvests collapsed in seven months and famine and farmer ruin and mass protests forced him to flee the country. He ordered that the entire country would immediately switch to organic farming but provided farmers with no such training.

Combine all this with the catastrophic EU political decision to ban Russian natural gas used to make nitrogen-based fertilizers, forcing shutdowns of fertilizer plants across the EU, that will cause a global reduction in crop yields, and as well the fake Bird Flu wave that is falsely ordering farmers across North America and the EU to kill off tens of millions of chickens and turkeys to cite just a few more cases, and it becomes clear that our world faces a food crisis that is unprecedented. All for climate change?

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