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The International Agri-Food Network (IAFN) was formed in 1996 during the World Food Summit as an informal coalition of international trade associations involved in the agri-food sector at the global level. The Network brings together eighteen international organizations, which comprise thousands of international companies and hundreds of national associations, representing in turn thousands of cooperatives, tens of thousands of small and medium sized enterprises (SMEs), and farmers in many countries. These organizations and associations have members in 135 of the 193 countries in the UN. Participation in IAFN is open both to associations representing any sector throughout the agri-food chain as well as national farmer organizations.

The primary purpose of the IAFN is to define and deliver the private sector’s commitment to addressing global poverty and food security. Five key principles have been defined by the IAFN as the supporting framework of this commitment:

1. Recognizing agriculture as an engine for local, national and regional development;
2. Supporting entrepreneurship and private enterprise from the farm level throughout the agricultural value chain;
3. Facilitating wherever possible a conducive operating environment for all agricultural stakeholders to add value to agriculture production and services;
4. Supporting both further research and development initiatives and improved extension services at farm level; and,
5. Participating in and supporting multi-stakeholder partnerships whenever appropriate.

To implement these principles, the Network facilitates liaison among the member organizations and associations to engage with UN agencies and other international organizations at a global level. The IAFN works collaboratively with the International Chamber of Commerce and the Farming First coalition and consults with an array of other associations and companies that have expressed interest in the work of the UN Committee on World Food Security (CFS). The IAFN has been elected (biannually) by members of the Private Sector Mechanism (PSM) as their focal point and coordinator at the CFS in Rome, facilitated by the IAFN Secretariat. In addition, IAFN is a member of the Global Business Alliance for Sustainable Development by 2030.

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