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Setting the Table for Change

How Food Systems Partnerships
can Accelerate Implementation of
the Global Biodiversity
Framework



Setting the Scene

- ✧ Deeply interconnected
- ✧ Systemic challenge
- ✧ Collective Responsibility
- ✧ Partnerships as levers

Central Question

How can we move beyond advocating for partnerships to making them more effective in accelerating GBF implementation?

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AGENDA

01

Why Partnerships matter for COP17

Government of the Netherlands

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Working across sectors and scales

NFP & Nexus Action

03

Partnerships in practice

SeedNL, SNV, Commonland, Alliance Bioversity & CIAT

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Audience Dialogue

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Takeaways & Closing

NFP & Government Netherlands

Opening Remarks

Why this matters to COP17



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Working Across Sectors and Scales

NETHERLANDS FOOD PARTNERSHIP



We bring organisations, ambitions and perspectives together across government, private sector, civil society and research to drive positive change across food systems - **so sustainable and healthy food is within reach for everyone.**

BIODIVERSITY AND FOOD SYSTEMS PARTNERSHIP

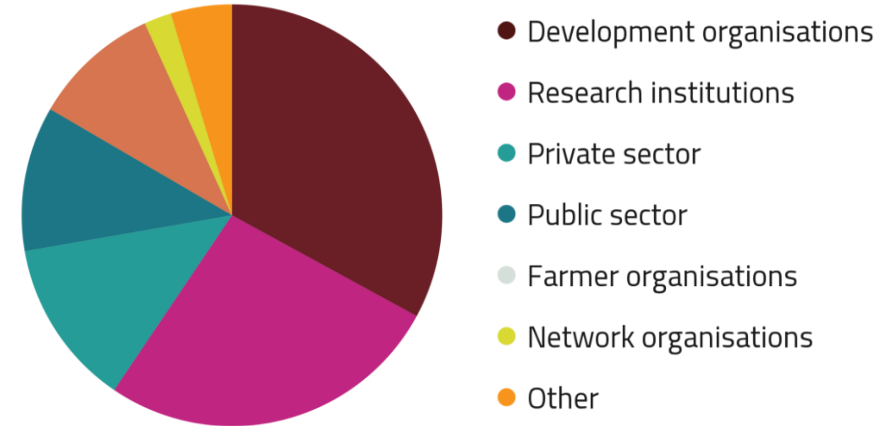
THE COLLECTIVE EFFORT

Fostering global collaboration across diverse sectors and scales to integrate biodiversity into food systems transformations with a focus on LMIC's.

Partnership goals

- Strengthening connections
- Shifting mental models
- Collective actions

Now over 170 member organisations



Demographics 2026



BIODIVERSITY AND FOOD SYSTEMS PARTNERSHIP

Driving change & impact

01 / PERSPECTIVES

Shared Messages

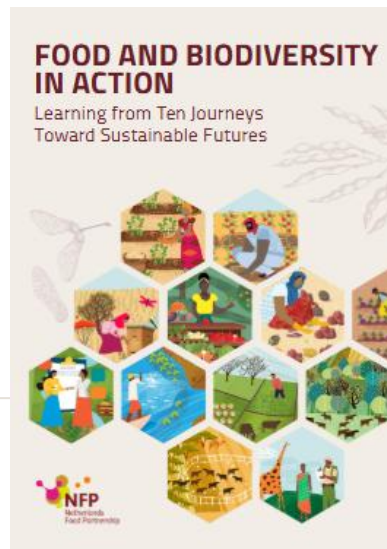
Emerged from a collective process of identifying what needs to shift in how we understand and address the biodiversity-food systems nexus.



02 / EVIDENCE & PRACTICE

Use Case Bundle

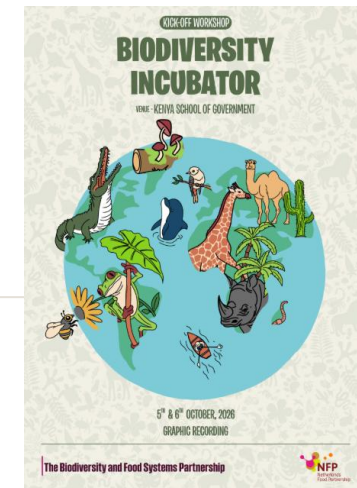
Brings together concrete examples from different scales and entry points.



03 / LOCAL ACTION

Kenya Incubator Pilot

Brings a dedicated network together to support young food systems entrepreneurs to integrate biodiversity in their food systems businesses.



Working Across Sectors and Scales

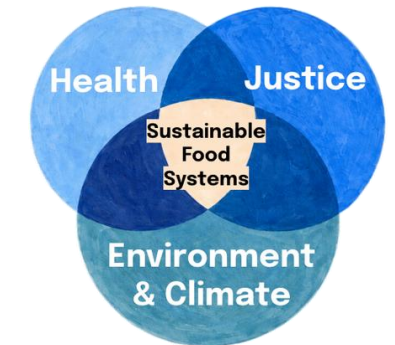
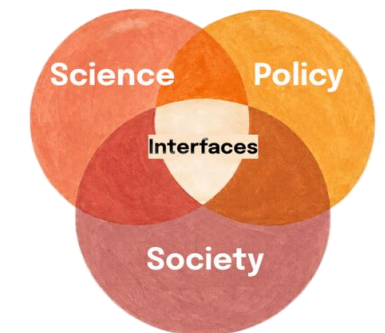
NEXUS ACTION

Nexus Action responds to an urgent need for more flexible, inclusive and effective Science-Policy-Society Interfaces.

We complement existing mechanisms by creating dedicated spaces for dialogue and co-creation, ultimately making knowledge actionable and action knowledgeable.

Nexus Action is a global learning collective and community-owned process convened by an alliance of partners – the Gardeners.

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Partnerships in Practice

What becomes possible?



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Audience Dialogue



What do you think needs to change for partnerships to make a greater contribution to biodiversity and food systems transformation and thus the implementation of the GBF?



Closing Reflections



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