

Work Plan of the ATACH Climate and Nutrition Working Group (I-CAN WG) 2023

Through coordination and collaboration, the ATACH I-CAN WG strives to build a strong alliance across nutrition and climate communities, articulate a common, compelling narrative around climate and nutrition, develop and share evidence on integrated nutrition and climate action and strengthen existing efforts and take action to address gaps. Below is the draft M&E plan for the I-CAN WG. The results of the workplan will be reported to the ATACH Steering Group and presented during the Annual ATACH Meeting and the I-CAN Working Group meetings. The results will also be available on the Community of Practice website, as relevant.

Function	Priorities	Indicative actions contributing to the priorities
Delivering international shift	<p>Build a strong alliance across nutrition and climate communities</p> <p>Improved advocacy to increase action toward linkages between climate and nutrition</p>	<p>Provide feedback to Joint work on implementation of the four-year Sharm el-Sheikh joint work on implementation of climate action on agriculture and food security, including implementation of the outcomes of the Koronivia joint work on agriculture and previous activities addressing issues related to agriculture as well as future topics using UNFCCC submission portal</p> <p>A COP to COP roadmap defined and ensure that I-CAN will be on the agenda of COP28 and beyond until at least 2030</p> <p>Member States and Partner Consultations</p>
Monitoring	Develop and share evidence-base on integrated nutrition and climate action	<p>Set targets and baselines for key nutrition and climate indicators by expert and practitioner consultations</p> <p>Commission background papers and publish a report on the situation analysis of actions in annex 1 (baseline paper)</p>

		<p>Develop case studies/strong examples of actions already taken for sharing at COP28 (both OECD and LMIC countries)</p> <p>Develop overview and practical examples of existing evidence</p> <p>Mapping of existing efforts</p>
Quality assurance	Stewardship	<p>Signing of letter of intent between WHO and Egyptian Presidency</p> <p>Discuss with ATACH secretariat the I-CAN governance</p> <p>Conduct regular meetings with the I-CAN convenor group</p> <p>Conduct regular meetings with Member States that showed interest in I-CAN</p>
Finance	Resource mobilization	Resource mobilization – Explore financial support with donors
Knowledge sharing and coordinating access to technical assistance (including tools/methods and capacity building)	Articulate a common, compelling narrative around climate and nutrition	<p>Develop key messages on nutrition and climate change - hire a communication expert to convert what we know into messages that resonate with those outside the nutrition communities and especially the UNFCCC negotiators.</p> <p>Leverage upcoming events to elevate I-CAN narrative, including UNFSS+2, UNGA, WHA, SDG Summit, CFS51, African Climate Week</p>

Monitoring and Evaluation Plan for the work plan of the ATACH working group on Climate Action and Nutrition

Functions	Outcome	Actions	Indicators	Baseline	Target	Data sources	Who is responsible
Delivering international shift	A strong alliance build across nutrition and climate communities	Provide feedback to Joint work on implementation of the four-year Sharm el-Sheikh joint work on implementation of climate action on agriculture and food security, including implementation of the outcomes of the Koronivia joint work on agriculture and previous activities addressing issues related to agriculture as well as future topics using UNFCCC submission portal	Feedback provided on UNFCCC submission portal	NA	Feedback provided	UNFCCC website	I-CAN Core Group
	Improved advocacy to increase action towards linkages between climate and nutrition	A COP to COP roadmap defined and ensure that I-CAN will be on the agenda of COP28 and beyond until at least 2030	Road map defined	NA	Road map created	I-CAN documentation	I-CAN Core Group
		Member States and partner Consultation meeting as follow up to EMRO meeting.	Consultations conducted	NA	Consultation workshop conducted	I-CAN documentation	I-CAN Core Group

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Monitoring	Develop and share evidence base on integrated nutrition and climate action	Set targets and baselines for key nutrition and climate indicators by expert and practitioner consultations	Baseline and targets set	NA	Targets and baseline set for 15 indicators	I-CAN baseline paper	I-CAN Core Group
		Commission background papers and publish a report on the situation analysis of actions in annex 1 (baseline paper)	Papers and reports published and disseminated	NA	Pathway paper and baseline paper published and disseminated	I-CAN baseline paper	I-CAN Core Group
		Develop case studies/strong examples of actions already taken for sharing at COP28 (both OECD and LMIC countries)	Case studies developed	NA	xx case studies developed		I-CAN Core Group
		Develop overview and practical examples of existing evidence	Overview of practical examples of existing evidence published	NA	Overview of practical examples developed	Pathways papers	I-CAN Core Group
		Mapping of existing efforts	Existing efforts mapped	NA	Existing efforts mapped	I-CAN documentation	I-CAN Core Group
Quality assurance	Stewardship	Signing of letter of intent between WHO and Egyptian Presidency	Letter of Intent signed		Letter of Intent signed	I-CAN documentation	I-CAN Core Group
		Discuss with ATACH secretariat the I-CAN governance	I-CAN WG under ATACH established		I-CAN WG under ATACH established	ATACH website	I-CAN Core Group

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		Conduct regular meetings with the I-CAN convenor group	Meetings conducted with I-CAN core group		0 meetings with I-CAN convenor group in 2023	I-CAN documentation	I-CAN Core Group
		Conduct regular meetings with Member States that showed interest in I-CAN	Meetings conducted with Member States		2 meetings	I-CAN documentation	I-CAN Core Group
Finance	Mobilize resources for I-CAN	Resource mobilization – Explore financial support with donors	Resources mobilized	NA	XX US\$ raised for I-CAN	I-CAN documentation	I-CAN Core Group
Knowledge sharing and coordinating access to technical assistance (including tools/methods and capacity building)	Articulate a common, compelling narrative around climate and nutrition	Develop key messages on nutrition and climate change - hire a communication expert to convert what we know into messages that resonate with those outside the nutrition communities and especially the UNFCCC negotiators.	Narrative developed and disseminated	NA	I-CAN narrative drafted and disseminated	ATACH website	I-CAN Core Group
		Leverage upcoming events to elevate the I-CAN narrative, including UNFSS+2, UNGA, WHA, SDG Summit, CFS51, African Climate Week	Events that promoted I-CAN	NA	At least 5 events leveraged for I-CAN	I-CAN documentation	I-CAN Core Group

Terms of Reference

ATACH Climate Action and Nutrition Working Group

(HEREAFTER I-CAN WORKING GROUP)

1. Mission

With a specific focus on the critical nexus of climate change and nutrition, the I-CAN WG contributes to the attainment of the overall mission of the ATACH, namely “to realize the ambition set at COP26 to build climate-resilient and sustainable health systems, using the collective power of WHO Member States and other stakeholders to drive this agenda forward at pace and scale; and promote the integration for climate change and health nexus into respective national, regional and global plans”.

2. Objectives and functions of the ICAN WG

Climate change and malnutrition are two of the greatest challenges facing humanity today and are intrinsically intertwined. By addressing these priorities in an integrated way, we have one solution to two of our biggest barriers to sustainable development. Climate change is impacting food systems, health systems, social protection systems and water systems - all of which are fundamental for good nutrition. Through coordination and collaboration, the ATACH I-CAN WG strives to help foster collaboration to accelerate transformative action to address the critical nexus of climate change and nutrition.

The I-CAN WG will meet at least every six months, under ATACH auspices.

Key objectives of the I-CAN WG:

- Building a strong alliance across nutrition and climate communities
- Strengthen existing efforts to take action and address gaps
- Develop an evidence base on integrating nutrition and climate action.

Functions

The key functions of the I-CAN WG are the same as those of the ATACH but through senior technical expert exchange and collaboration, will focus on actions for climate and nutrition actions; namely:

- **Delivering international shift to enhance and prioritize climate and nutrition action (ADVOCATE, CONNECT):** This function focuses on areas where a global shift can be delivered through the collective power of Member States and other stakeholders, as appropriate. It reflects the collective interest of the I-CAN WG as well as context-specific themes which may be more applicable to smaller groupings of Member States.
- **Monitoring:** Collaborate with partners in collating, sharing and communicating evidence and options for policies and actions that show co-benefits for climate and nutrition from health systems agrifood systems, water systems, and social protection systems. This function will also communicate evidence on trade-offs and synergies between options for policies and actions
- **Quality Assurance:** Collaborate with partners in developing quality assurance mechanisms designed to help ensure that assessments, plans and implementation are of the quality required to deliver on commitments made thereby facilitating a common understanding of such commitments and measures of progress. The core aim is to help identify where support is required and to identify good practice.
- **Financing:** Mobilize resource for I-CAN
- **Knowledge sharing and coordinating access to technical assistance (CATALYZE):** This function provides a forum for Alliance Participants to share expertise, knowledge and experience on the assessment, planning implementation, financing, and monitoring of commitments. This supports exchange among Participants and access to information to support evidence-based and cost-effective delivery of commitments.

3. The Secretariat

Subject to the availability of sufficient human and financial resources, WHO serves as the Secretariat of the ATACH and each of its WGs. Further information on the role of the Secretariat is available in the TORs of the ATACH (available in Arabic, Chinese, English, French, Russian, and Spanish).

4. Participants

The ATACH I-CAN WG is open to Members States and Non-State Actors (NSAs) that have expressed their interest in ATACH. Once participants to the ATACH are confirmed (following the application process specified in the ATACH TORs), they will be requested to confirm the specific WG they are interested in joining by sending an email to atach@who.int. If participants confirm their interest to participate in the I-CAN WG, they will be added to the specific group and automatically invited to relevant WG meetings. They will, at any time, have the possibility to leave the WG.

5. Responsibilities of Participants to the ATACH I-CAN WG

On joining the I-CAN WG, Participants undertake to:

- Adhere to these Terms of Reference;
- Promote the work, vision, goals and objectives of the I-CAN WG;
- Actively initiate and participate in the I-CAN WG on I-CAN activities, discussions and deliberations, and contribute to the implementation of actions and priorities deriving from the agreed workplan and discussions;
- Participate, as appropriate, in the I-CAN WG meetings;
- Share knowledge and information (lessons learned, case studies, programme results, etc.) with other I-CAN and ATACH WGs participants as appropriate.

6. Chairs of the I-CAN WG

Consistent with and building on from the ATACH ToRs, each ATACH WG will have two co-chairs, representing both government institutions with a mandate for climate change and nutrition, and technical agencies/organizations, to provide leadership to the group and progress the WG agenda. The WHO, as ATACH Convener, co-convening countries and WG Chairs, will form a Steering Group to ensure coordination of the work across ATACH and to discuss emerging priorities.

The co-chairs of the Working Groups will be appointed by WHO in consultation with the ATACH co-Convenors for an initial period of one (1 year).

Criteria for the selection of WG chairs:

- Government institutions with a mandate for climate change and nutrition. Countries will be considered as co-chairs based on their proactivity, the priority they give to the specific WG topic, and their capacity to advance the WG objectives and goals.
- Technical agencies/organizations with proven technical experience and records on the subject matter. Motivation to, proactivity in, and capacity to advance the goals and objectives of the WG will also be considered by the Secretariat.

Submission of interest to chair an ATACH WG:

All participants to the ATACH are invited to submit their interest to chair any of the ATACH WGs by sending a message to the Secretariat (atach@who.int). All submissions will be assessed by the WHO Secretariat, who will consult the co-convenors, and decisions will be reported to the Steering Group (SG) and communicated to applicants. The final proposal for Chairs will also take into consideration representation of all WHO Regions in the overall governance mechanism of the ATACH.

Role of the co-chairs of the ATACH WGs:

As included in the TORs of the ATACH, the co-chairs of the ATACH WGs are expected to:

- Chair the discussions during the WG meetings (ensuring action-oriented focus and deliverables);
- Promote active involvement of the Working Group Participants in the development and implementation of its workplan;

- Work with the Secretariat to progress Working Group objectives and plans including in the development of the WG workplan;
- Support the Secretariat and Steering Group in the identification of priorities and/or challenges for the attainment of the objectives relating to the specific Working Group;
- Promote and ensure synergies with other Working Groups;
- Participate in Steering Group meetings, representing the work, issues and views of the wider Working Group;
- Support the Secretariat in the agenda development and active participation in the ATACH WG meeting.

7. Amendments

These Terms of Reference may be amended from time to time by the Secretariat in consultation with the Steering Group.

Proposed indicators for measuring progress in the implementation of I-CAN

Outcomes	Indicator ¹	Example actions	Baseline ²	Target ³	Data source ⁴	Time frame	Respon- sible	Where it will be reported
Number of NDCs that include nutrition-related actions increased	Number of NDCs that include nutrition-related actions increased	Support NDC processes to integrate climate-resilient and sustainable food systems and nutrition commitments. Develop consensus on key messages and priority nutrition policy actions for climate change adaptation and mitigation measures, articulated in a policy paper					I-CAN convenor partners	ATACH steering group
Number of climate NAPs that include nutrition-related actions increased	Number of climate NAPs that include nutrition-related actions increased	Support NAP processes to integrate climate-resilient nutrition and food systems					I-CAN convenor partners	ATACH steering group
Number of climate-informed nutrition interventions and programs increased	Number of climate-informed nutrition interventions and programs increased	Support implementation of nutrition-related actions in NDCs and NAPs.					I-CAN convenor Partners	ATACH steering group

¹ Indicators will be refined based on the final list of indicators that will be included in the baseline paper that will be published in Sep-Oct 2023.

² Baseline values will be provided once the baseline paper will be published (Sep-Oct 2023). Data will be available for 15 out of the 20 indicators

³ Targets will be established based on baseline figures using a participatory process.

⁴ Data sources will be provided once the baseline paper will be published (Sep-Oct 2023).

Outcomes	Indicator ¹	Example actions	Baseline ²	Target ³	Data source ⁴	Time frame	Respon- sible	Where it will be reported
Number of nutrition National Nutrition Plans (NNPs) that refer to climate increased	Number of nutrition National Nutrition Plans (NNPs) that refer to climate increased	Support the Scaling Up Nutrition movement to build climate markers into NNPs					I-CAN convenor Partners	ATACH steering group
Number of significant multilateral partnerships in the climate-nutrition area increased and strengthened	Number of significant multilateral partnerships in the climate-nutrition area increased and strengthened	Map significant climate-nutrition partnerships and build a community of practice around them					I-CAN convenor Partners	ATACH steering group
Value of public R&D funding programs that bridge climate and nutrition increased	Value of public R&D funding programs that bridge climate and nutrition increased	Advocate for increased public financing directed towards R&D that is positive for nutrition and climate. CGIAR and NARs.					I-CAN convenor partners	ATACH steering group
Number of countries that have conducted a climate change and health vulnerability assessment (V&A) which included nutrition increased	Number of countries that have conducted a climate change and health vulnerability assessment (V&A) which included nutrition increased	Provide technical support to facilitate generation of more evidence from Africa and around the world that link dietary data to environmental metrics to advance evidence-informed decision-making					I-CAN convenor Partners	ATACH steering group
Number of references to nutrition science articles in IPCC reports increased	Number of references to nutrition science articles in IPCC reports increased	Work with IPCC authors to strengthen relevant connections to nutrition evidence and reviews					I-CAN convenor Partners	ATACH steering group

Outcomes	Indicator ¹	Example actions	Baseline ²	Target ³	Data source ⁴	Time frame	Respon- sible	Where it will be reported
Global Nutrition Report tracks nutrition-promoting climate adaptation actions	Global Nutrition Report tracks nutrition-promoting climate adaptation actions	<p>Develop consensus on key messages and priority nutrition policy actions for climate change adaptation and mitigation measures, articulated in a policy paper</p> <p>Work with the GNR to highlight examples of nutrition promoting climate actions and climate promoting nutrition actions</p>					I-CAN convenor Partners	ATACH steering group
Number of countries which are promoting climate smart nutritious foods such as neglected underutilized species (NUS) and fortified/biofortified crops and staple foods increased	Number of countries which are promoting climate smart nutritious foods such as neglected underutilized species (NUS) and fortified/biofortified crops and staple foods increased	Advocate for scale up of locally appropriate neglected and under-utilized species (NUS) and fortified/biofortified crops and staple foods					I-CAN convenor Partners	ATACH steering group

Outcomes	Indicator ¹	Example actions	Baseline ²	Target ³	Data source ⁴	Time frame	Respon- sible	Where it will be reported
Number of country food based dietary guidelines that include climate considerations increased	Number of country food based dietary guidelines that include climate considerations increased	<p>Advocate for and support implementation of food-based dietary guidelines that incorporate environmental considerations</p> <p>Setting of targets for healthy and sustainable consumption, including setting consumption targets for red and processed meat</p>					I-CAN convenor Partners	ATACH steering group
Number of countries that factor climate into food procurement decisions for food in public settings (e.g., school meals and school feeding, health and care facilities), as well as safety nets and emergency programmes increased	Number of countries that factor climate into food procurement decisions for food in public settings (e.g., school meals and school feeding, health and care facilities), as well as safety nets and emergency programmes increased	Disseminate technical guidance and support implementation of public procurement and service policies					I-CAN convenor Partners	ATACH steering group
Number of healthy diet campaigns that also refer to sustainability, especially for children increased	Number of healthy diet campaigns that also refer to sustainability, especially for children increased	Implementation of campaigns for healthy diets that incorporate nutrition and climate considerations.					I-CAN convenor Partners	ATACH steering group

Outcomes	Indicator ¹	Example actions	Baseline ²	Target ³	Data source ⁴	Time frame	Respon- sible	Where it will be reported
Number of countries with food control systems adapted to the increased food safety risks associated with climate change increased	Number of countries with food control systems adapted to the increased food safety risks associated with climate change increased	Support strengthening of national food control systems in line with the WHO Global Strategy on Food Safety 2022-2030					I-CAN convenor Partners	ATACH steering group
Value of Green Climate Fund initiatives that include nutrition considerations increased	Value of Green Climate Fund initiatives that include nutrition considerations increased	Work with the GCF to examine their application and evaluation criteria to incentivize climate-nutrition initiatives					I-CAN convenor Partners	ATACH steering group
Value of World Bank loans that are nutrition AND climate supporting increased	Value of World Bank loans that are nutrition AND climate supporting increased	Work with the World Bank to assess the value of their climate-nutrition portfolio					I-CAN convenor Partners	ATACH steering group
Value of food impact investing funds that build in climate considerations increased	Value of food impact investing funds that build in climate considerations increased	Work with the Global Impact Investing Network (GIIN) to assess the value of global investments which integrate climate and nutrition					I-CAN convenor Partners	ATACH steering group
Number of companies in World Benchmark Alliance that score well on nutrition AND sustainability increased	Number of companies in World Benchmark Alliance that score well on nutrition	Work with the WBA to assess and improve the nutrition-sustainability scores of the 350 companies they work with.					I-CAN convenor Partners	ATACH steering group

Outcomes	Indicator ¹	Example actions	Baseline ²	Target ³	Data source ⁴	Time frame	Respon- sible	Where it will be reported
	AND sustainability increased	Call out poor scores and work to improve.						
Value of ODA to climate that is linked to nutrition increased	Value of ODA to climate that is linked to nutrition increased	<p>Raise visibility on gaps in funding for ODA to climate-smart/nutrition-sensitive investments.</p> <p>Improve methodology to quantify funding allocation within financing arrangements that are deemed climate-smart, nutrition-sensitive</p>					I-CAN convenor partners	ATACH steering group