

# Agriculture at COP-16



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# The Cancun Agreements and Agriculture



- No ag language in the AWG-LCA decisions
  - Agriculture held up as sectoral program (the bunker fuels problem)
  - Ag considered “well advanced” by the chair of the AWG-LCA (ENB)
  - Ag workplan will come up in discussions in the spring (Kimble)
- REDD+ decision was adopted in AWG-LCA. How will this link to continuing discussions on agriculture?
- NAMAs articulated in text
  - What are the implications for agriculture?
  - 18 of 43 non-Annex 1 submissions made reference to agriculture (McKenzie and Childress)

# In the corridors and on the beach: State of discourse on ag in Cancun



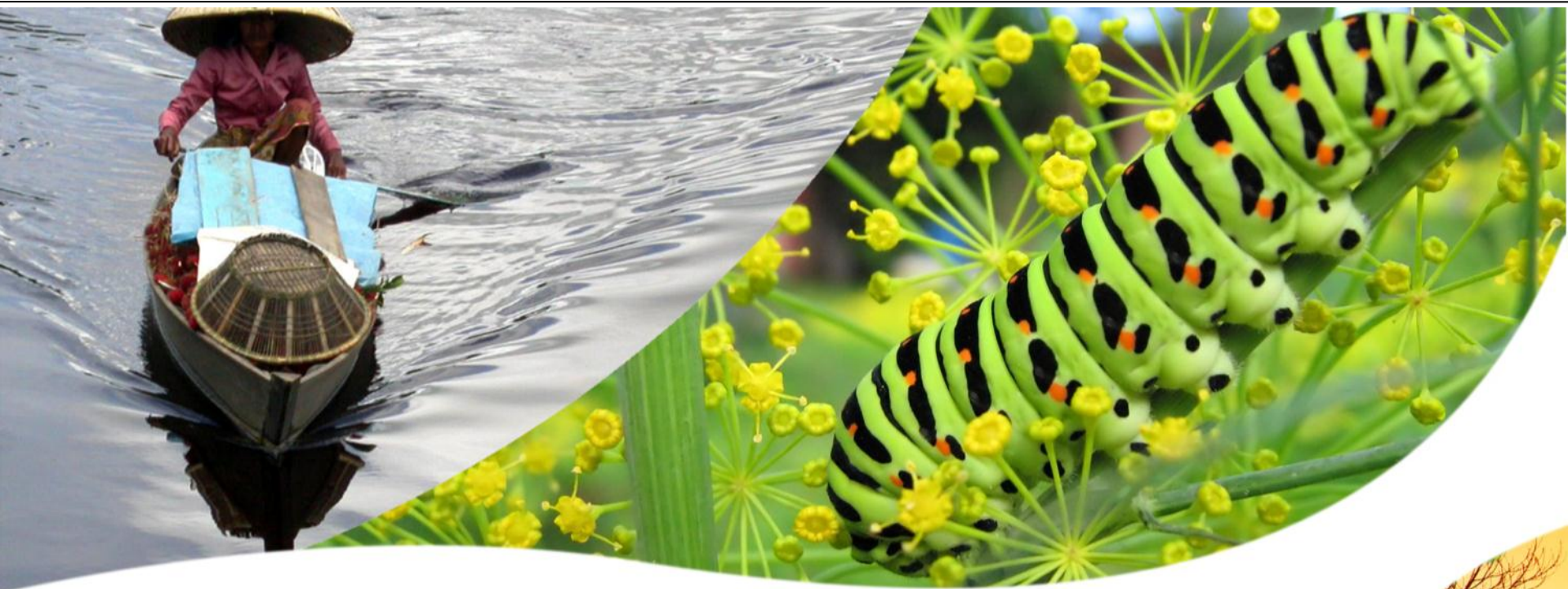
- Leadership on agriculture in the UNFCCC
  - International Federation of Agricultural Producers (IFAP), advocate for farmers interests within UNFCCC, has disbanded.
  - Who will take the place of IFAP or when/if/how will it be reconstituted?
  - Who will take leadership role on agriculture, generally?
- Relationships between forestry and agriculture agendas
  - Agriculture and Rural Development Day and Forest Day - Landscape Weekend next year? (Rodney Cook, IFAD)
  - Proliferation of publications/policy briefs on REDD and Ag (CCAFS, EcoAg/RRI, IDDRI, IIED, TCG)
  - Debate on the ‘Borlaug Hypothesis’. Does agricultural intensification reduce deforestation? If so, under what conditions? What is “sustainable intensification”?
  - What are the possible uses for REDD+ funds in agriculture?

# Moving Forward



- Thinking beyond Cancun
  - Towards Durban - Delay as a blessing in disguise?
  - Future of work program on agriculture?
- Thinking beyond the UNFCCC process
  - Efforts to integrate agriculture productivity/food security/ecosystem services/mitigation/adaptation must be broader than the UNFCCC
  - The Hague process towards a 'Roadmap for Action on Agriculture, Food Security and Climate Change' will continue
  - National and sub-national climate change initiatives
  - National agricultural development program re-designs
  - Incentives for climate-friendly ag in voluntary markets and private sector supply chains
  - CCAFS, Global Research Alliance and other research initiatives will continue to grow

# Thank you



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