

DRAFT RESOLUTION No. 3

**PARTICIPATION OF IICA IN THE TWENTY-EIGHTH CONFERENCE OF THE
PARTIES TO THE UNITED NATIONS FRAMEWORK CONVENTION ON CLIMATE
CHANGE (COP28)**

The INTER-AMERICAN BOARD OF AGRICULTURE (IABA), at its Twenty-second Regular Meeting,

CONSIDERING:

That, in the “Our Sustainable Green Future” declaration adopted at the IX Summit of the Americas, held in Los Angeles, United States, in June 2022, the Heads of State and Government expressed the need to “strengthen the role of all stakeholders in the agricultural sector in international and national climate efforts, and invite them to present their recommendations at a meeting of ministers of Agriculture of the Americas before the Conference of the Parties (COP27)”, and that this meeting was organized by the Inter-American Institute for Cooperation on Agriculture (IICA) in September 2022;

That, pursuant to Resolution IICA/CE/Res. 687 (XLII-O/22) of the Executive Committee, the Director General of the Institute delivered a presentation at the Twenty-seventh Conference of the Parties to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (COP27), held in Egypt in November 2022, outlining the messages approved by the Ministerial Meeting on Climate Change and Agriculture, and arranged for the installation of the “Home of Sustainable Agriculture of the Americas” pavilion at the conference, with financial contributions from governments and the private sector;

That, at the Conference of Ministers of Agriculture of the Americas 2023, IICA Member States agreed that agrifood systems are part of the solution to climate change and that it is therefore necessary to ensure that the contributions of these systems to overcoming this global challenge be taken into account at all forums and negotiations held by the international community on this matter;

That driving climate action and funding in agriculture, given the sector’s capacity to respond positively to such challenges, is a priority strategy of the Hemispheric Partnership for Food Security and Sustainable Development; and

That the continued participation of the ministries and secretariats of Agriculture of the Americas in matters related to climate change and sustainable development is imperative, leading up to the Twenty-eighth Conference of the Parties (COP28), to be held in Dubai, United Arab Emirates, from 30 November to 12 December 2023,

RESOLVES:

1. To continue to promote and implement effective climate change mitigation measures in our countries, in keeping with the regulatory frameworks, institutional structures and public policies they currently have in place.
2. To support collective action and the adoption of joint positions among countries of the Americas regarding climate change, particularly in the agriculture sector, to guarantee food security and sustainable development through North-South, South-South and other cooperation modalities.
3. To promote actions to increase the agriculture sector's access to all types of climate financing, including private financing, as well as options such as voluntary carbon markets, green funds and guarantees, among others, which should involve capacity building and the development of institutional frameworks that demonstrate the highest level of integrity, transparency and inclusiveness.
4. To request that the Director General of IICA, in coordination with the Member States of the Institute, continue to foster national, regional and global analysis and discussions of the positive relationship between agriculture and climate change.
5. To entrust the Director General with supporting the participation of the ministries and secretariats of Agriculture of countries of the Americas, as well as of IICA, at COP28, and with installing a pavilion at the conference venue.