

Policy Priorities

- Legislative changes at the government level?
 - Very difficult to work with legislation. Our approach is to work with private sector and consumer education.
 - Protecting donors from liability when food is donated.
 - It is more of an incentive than a punishment and creation of voluntary programs (food donation).
 - There are standards and practices for food banks and donations (USA) which comply with regular food handling regulations.
- What are some of the best initiatives that you heard this week from the delegates?
 - Smart packaging, smart labels
- What are the common priorities that APEC members should universally adopt ?
 - Provide leadership that put together initiatives to reduce FLW

Policy Priorities

- It is useful for the government to review food labeling particularly the expiry date.
- Bottom-up movement, educating consumers.
- Addressing the penalty of selling products which past the expiry date.

Measurement standards

- How do we agree on a model of standard measurements?
 - Draw on what has already been done, look at “fusions” (EU). It is important that there is harmonization.
 - It needs a framework, and then specify, minor changes will be needed depending on the industry.
 - The measurement standards will have to be different for different economies, but we can work (on reducing FLW) from the initial baseline as reference. We should look at a minimum standard. We need to pick up major items or priorities.
 - Common measurement tools.
- Who has the best measurements?
- Is this important?

Measurement standards

- Keep it as simple as possible, based on the experience stakeholders will demand practical solutions.
- The baseline is for improving from within each economy.
- It should be based from the diet of different economies. WRI measures FLW based from calories or GHG emissions for example.
- Working committees from industries.

FLW Reporting-Accounting Standards

- What can we do to bring these different approaches together?
 - Working together as group of industries, sharing best practices, bridging the differences from economies.
 - Create a database for FLW and we can search for best practices from it.
 - Government and business delegates from each economy should participate together.
 - Two working groups: one from the production side and other from the consumption side. Focus on the priorities such as “top ten” crops/commodities.
 - How to change the perception of policy makers? Conduct analysis and identify the gap to catch up with other economies. Recognize the trade-offs.
- What are the differences?
- Does it need to include everything or should we seek a minimum standard ?
- Should this be government led, industry led or APEC led ?

FLW Reporting-Accounting Standards

- Economic and social benefits from reducing FLW.
- PPFS work focus on food security and sustainability (of the food system).
- Point out that farmers can benefit as well from reducing FLW can be used to talk to policy makers.

No-Regret Solutions

- What are the no-regret solutions and actions to move our FLW reductions forward to APEC region?
 - Doing something!
 - Raise consumer awareness (incorporate celebrities)*****
 - Value creation**
 - Smart packaging, smart label ***
 - Storage improvement**
 - Smarter operations
 - Tax incentives for transparent businesses**
 - Social guarantee
 - Social incentives (for food donors)
 - Garbage fee (weight)
 - Measurement of FLW**
 - Positive labels for efforts on reducing FLW
 - Identify causes of FLW

No-Regret Solutions

- What are the no-regret solutions and actions to move our FLW reductions forward to APEC region?
 - Automatic discounting system (based on expiry date)
 - Corporate food donations
 - Review on the policies on FLW, food safety, food standards
 - Technical and infrastructure interventions
 - Monitoring actions taken to reduce FLW*
 - Social enterprise business model*
 - Set acceptable levels of food loss/waste
 - Economic studies on how markets will adjust to increased food supply.
 - R&D on postharvest**
 - Education*
 - Strategy among stake holders on how to reduce FLW
 - Implementing good practices at postharvest