

INTERNATIONAL POULTRY COUNCIL

On August 18, 2019, the International Poultry Council signed the joint Poultry Meat Sector Declaration on Sustainable Development alongside the Food & Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, in Sao Paulo, Brazil.

We, entities engaged in the global poultry meat sector, a sector that provides almost 40% of the meat consumed worldwide, are committed to the sustainable development of the sector to generate widespread benefits for people and the planet.

## We recognize:

- » the United Nations 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development as the overarching framework that guides our actions towards sustainable development from a social, environmental, economic and health perspective;
- » the vital role of the poultry meat sector in improving the food and nutrition security and livelihoods of small-scale producers and their families;
- » the critical contribution of the poultry meat

sector to sustainable development which includes, not limited to, the following areas:

- » balanced, nutritious and healthy diets;
- » economic growth and rural and urban employment;
- » education and science, as well as innovation in the sector:
- » waste and loss reduction along the poultry meat chain;
- » greenhouse gas emissions reduction;
- » the importance of and need for continuous and open dialogue among poultry meat sector stakeholders.

## We strive towards achieving the following goals through our individual and collective actions:

- » taking a country-specific, integrated and holistic approach to the sustainable development of the poultry meat sector, with due consideration to social, economic, environmental and health aspects;
- » building, disseminating and using tools and guidelines to facilitate the identification and adoption of sustainable practices in the poultry meat sector;
- » promoting the adoption of programs that guarantee animal welfare and health, thereby creating safe products and processes;
- » encouraging the development and use of

innovative technologies and practices that mitigate the environmental impact of the poultry meat sector;

- » building capacity and fostering training and education to support sustainable practices, while promoting gender equality and inclusion of vulnerable groups;
- » encouraging the measurement of and reporting on progress towards achieving the sustainability Development Goals;
- » exchanging information about good practices and successful experiences that improve sustainability;
- » strengthening and participating actively in multi-stakeholder dialogues for consensus building and continuous improvement.