Sustainable Livestock and Forests in Latin America and the Caribbean

Sustainable livestock models can contribute to climate change mitigation, protection of forests and biodiversity, and better use of water and soils.

Some basic principles of sustainable livestock

1. Promote productivity improvements to reduce the intensity of livestock emission through better feeding, genetics, health and animal husbandry.

2. Soil carbon management through landscape restoration and improved grazing practices.

3. Integration of livestock into the circular bio-economy.

These mitigation areas can help the livestock sector in the region

- Reduce sector expansion and avoid deforestation
- Restoring natural pastures
- Improve pasture productivity
- Reduce emissions at all stages of production and consumption

How to promote the transition to a sustainable livestock model?

1. Create policies, measures and actions to improve the environmental performance of the sector.
2. Facilitate access to sources of financing to improve the sustainability of the sector.
3. Promote the participation of small producers in the processes of change towards sustainable production models.
4. Enhance the capacities of producer organizations.
5. Increase access to improved technologies and better production models.
6. Improve market entry by recognizing sustainable and deforestation-free products.
7. Promote the transfer of knowledge through the creation of discussion spaces or exchange platforms.