



# Key Insights from National Statements by Member States

## Africa Group

"Africa emphasizes the importance of the CFC as a **partner that strengthens value chains, farmgate prices, agribusinesses, and commodity finance**, directly supporting farmers and rural communities and translating African realities into meaningful action."

"Africa **fully supports the agenda of humanizing value chains**, ensuring that farmers and smallholders receive fair prices and transparent market access, recognizing that this uplifts entire communities and aligns with global consensus achieved in Sevilla."

- H.E. Ms. Caroline Kitana Chipeta, Ambassador of Tanzania to Netherlands, Vice Chair Africa Group



## Asia Pasific Group

"The Asia-Pacific Group **commends the progress of the Strategic Framework 2025–2035** and the **operationalization of the ACT Fund**, recognizing these as critical tools to address the unmet needs of commodity-dependent communities. The Group supports the **adoption of AI-enabled tools, digital traceability, and technology** to enhance transparency in value chains and expand support for high-potential SMEs and rural enterprises. It emphasizes the importance of strengthening partnerships, mobilizing voluntary contributions, and leveraging collaborative initiatives such as the Sevilla Commitment to amplify impact."

- Ms. Galapita Rallage Shashiprabha Wijerathna, First Secretary, Embassy of Sri Lanka, The Hague (on behalf of H.E. Ms. Rekha Gunasekera, Ambassador of Sri Lanka to the Netherlands, Vice Chair Asia Pasific Group)



## OECD Group

"**Cooperation is needed more than ever to accelerate the green transition** and to support debt-restructuring efforts. Strengthening rules-based multilateral frameworks and reducing geo-economic fragmentation are essential for inclusive future growth."

"We welcome the contribution from **Invest International of the Netherlands** to the ACT-Fund, as well as the launch of the **CFC-CASA Trust Fund** with the United Kingdom."

- Ms. Anna Tofftén, Deputy Director General, Ministry of Rural Affairs and Infrastructure of Sweden, Vice Chair OECD Group



## Philippines

"There is a need for stronger **collaboration between the CFC and member countries** to improve access to markets, financial resources, and innovative technologies for farmers and SMEs."

"The **Strategic Framework 2025–2035 should be adopted and implemented as a living document** to guide long-term development priorities, including climate-resilient agriculture, value addition, and inclusive commodity systems."

- H.E. Mr. J. Eduardo Malaya, Ambassador of Philippines to the Netherlands



## Singapore

"Singapore underscores **the need for the CFC's future work to be driven by clear, measurable outcomes**. With rising demand for financing, the Fund's expanded toolkit — including the ACT Fund, the Central African Forest Initiative (CAFI), blended-finance approaches, and new trust funds — must deliver traceable impact such as income uplift, productivity gains, climate resilience, and improved market access."

- H.E. Mr. Hung Seng Tan, Ambassador of Singapore to the Netherlands



## Sudan

"Sudan emphasizes that agriculture and commodity production—including gum arabic, sesame, livestock, cotton, groundnuts, and cereal crops—remain **central to its economic and social resilience, and that the CFC's mission and activities are indispensable** for supporting these sectors, particularly during periods of national recovery."

"Sudan highlights the **critical role of international partnerships in rebuilding stability**, restoring productive sectors, and reviving agricultural value chains, emphasizing the importance of collaboration with the CFC to restore livelihoods for millions of people dependent on commodities."

- *Ms. Omaima M. A. Alsharief, Chargé d'Affaires, Embassy of Sudan, The Hague*



## Malawi



"Malawi underscores that the latest UNCTAD State of Commodity Dependence report highlights the **urgent and persistent nature of commodity dependence**, especially in LDCs and LLDCs. As **the only intergovernmental financial institution dedicated to addressing this challenge, the CFC requires greater financial support** to reach more beneficiaries."

"...**Previous CFC support, such as the warehouse receipt system** with ACE, demonstrated strong impact, and Malawi seeks similar interventions to accelerate diversification and reduce dependence on tobacco."

- *H.E. Ms. Naomi Aretha Ngwira, Ambassador of Malawi to the Belgium and the EU*

## Mali

"We call for increased resources for high-impact projects focused on **local processing, agro-industry, and the economic empowerment of women and youth**. Public-private partnerships should also be further encouraged to leverage productive investment in agricultural and mineral value chains"

"Mali highlights the need for **stronger inclusion of francophone countries**, particularly through improved access to CFC communication, technical documentation, and project-submission guidance in French. Enhancing French-language capacity within the Secretariat should be considered a priority."

- *HE Mr El Hadji Alhousseini Traore, Ambassador of Mali to the Belgium and the EU*



## Kenya



"...welcomes strengthened partnerships, including with the UK FCDO and CAFI, and the operationalization of the ACT Fund as a **timely instrument for smallholders, SMEs, and rural communities**."

"Kenya emphasizes **the importance of the Strategic Framework 2025–2035** as a roadmap for a more agile, effective CFC."

"Kenya highlight the **Fund's leadership in Humanizing the Value Chain**, promoting digital traceability, transparent pricing, and farmer-empowering tools to ensure fairness and equity. Kenya underscores the impact of CFC-supported initiatives,"

- *H.E. Ms. Hon Halima Yussuf Mucheke, Ambassador of Kenya to the Netherlands*

## Iraq

"Iraq reaffirms its commitment to **strengthening collaboration with the CFC and advancing partnership programs** that support sustainable development. The country emphasizes the Fund's critical role in addressing shared challenges, including climate change, desertification, rising commodity prices, and geopolitical tensions affecting global supply chains."

"Iraq encourages **expanding the scope of CFC financing and technical support for strategic agricultural and food projects** to improve production efficiency.."

- *Mr. Riyadh Fakher Al-Hashimi, Director General, Ministry of Trade, Iraq*





## Malaysia

"Malaysia reaffirms its commitment to the CFC and commends the Secretariat for the **activation of the ACT Fund and the Strategic Framework 2025–2035**. Commodities remain central to Malaysia's economy, and collaboration with the CFC can amplify national efforts...."

"**Malaysia proposes four key** : (1) promoting inclusive, **regenerative agriculture** through the ACT Fund, with emphasis on soil health, diversified farming, and smallholder livelihoods; (2) expanding **SME financing** to support value addition, integrating women, youth, and fair-trade sourcing; (3) strengthening **data-driven traceability** and market access, leveraging frameworks like MSPO and MTCS; and (4) **humanizing the value chain** to ensure fair income distribution, digital payments, and risk mitigation for producers."

- *Dr. Sharifah Adlina Syed Abdullah, Deputy Director General (Strategic Planning & Management), Ministry of Plantation and Commodities*



## Myanmar

"As an agriculture-based economy, Myanmar **emphasizes the importance of CFC support for smallholder farmers, MSMEs, and private sector initiatives to enhance agricultural exports**, value addition, and resilience to climate change and market volatility..."

"Myanmar looks forward to **deeper collaboration with the CFC in agriculture, forestry, fisheries, rural SMEs, climate-resilient farming, value-added processing, market access, and capacity building**. Priority areas include sustainable and low-carbon farming, digital information systems, modern processing facilities, post-harvest loss reduction, agro-processing, cold-chain infrastructure, and development of bamboo and natural-fiber sectors."

- *H.E. Chit Swe, Union Minister, Ministry of Commerce*



## Algeria

"Algeria commends the **CFC for its efforts in advancing impact investment, technical assistance, humanizing value chains, and systemic reform...**"

"Algeria underscores **the importance of enhancing the CFC's visibility**, and supports relocating the Fund to The Hague to strengthen collaboration with international partners, increase stakeholder engagement, and maximize its contribution to equitable and sustainable development."

- *Mr. Abdelmoumene Senoussaoui, Counselor of Foreign Affairs, Embassy of Algeria, The Hague (on behalf of H.E. Ms. Salima Abdelhak, Ambassador of Algeria to the Netherlands)*



## China

"China appreciates the **CFC's contributions to global sustainable development, South-South cooperation, and capacity-building**, as well as support from member states. China emphasizes the importance of genuine multilateralism, noting that the Global South, which accounts for 85% of the world's population, remains under-represented in international mechanisms."

"China encourages the CFC to leverage the Global Development and South-South Cooperation Fund established by China in 2015, **connect humane value chains to China's market, and deliver tangible benefits to people in least developed countries and regions**. China stands ready to collaborate with the CFC to promote a more balanced, inclusive, and sustainable global development agenda."

- *Mr. Jin Yuan, Counsellor for Economy and Commerce, Embassy of China, The Hague*



## Ecuador

"Ecuador supports the **full operationalization of the ACT Fund and calls for increased CFC recapitalization** to meet the growing demand for financing. The country highlights the importance of strengthening security in rural areas as a prerequisite for sustainable production and resilient value chains. Ecuador also encourages closer alignment with the Sevilla Commitment, including **mobilizing development financing, promoting fiscal transparency, and advancing Global South leadership**."

- *H.E. Mr. Andrés Terán Parral, Ambassador of Ecuador to the Netherlands*



## Costa Rica

"Costa Rica commends the **CFC for supporting sustainable development across commodity value chains, alleviating poverty, and improving food security**. The country emphasizes the importance of continuing innovative, replicable, and financially sustainable activities with positive socioeconomic and environmental impacts. Costa Rica welcomes the **Strategic Framework 2025–2035 as a guiding tool to enhance CFC operations**, strategic priorities, and investment approaches over the next decade."

"The country **supports the 'Humanizing the Value Chain' initiative and encourages ongoing pilot opportunities** with producers, technology partners, and private sector actors."

- H.E. Mr. Arnoldo Brenes Castro, Ambassador of Costa Rica to the Netherlands



## Morocco

"Morocco commends the **CFC for its Strategic Framework 2025–2035** and highlights its importance in advancing support for smallholders and SMEs reliant on commodities. Morocco emphasizes the need to **monitor implementation, assess impacts**, and ensure alignment with shared strategic objectives. The country underlines the importance of **food security, climate resilience, and sustainable agricultural practices**, drawing from national programs such as the Green Morocco Plan and Generation Green 2020–2030, which promote productivity, farmer empowerment, and market access."

"Morocco **encourages humanizing the value chain, empowering farmers, cooperatives, women, and youth, and strengthening South–South cooperation....**"

- H.E. Mr. Mohamed Basri, Ambassador of Morocco to the Netherlands

## Venezuela

"Venezuela commends the **CFC for its efforts in supporting commodity value chains, promoting sustainable development**, and improving livelihoods, particularly for vulnerable groups such as women and youth. The country emphasizes **the importance of humanizing value chains** and integrating climate risk mitigation into agricultural and food production projects. Venezuela **encourages the mobilization of additional financing** to strengthen national production initiatives and co-develop strategic projects with the CFC, particularly in food security and basic commodities."

- H.E. Mr. Hector Alejandro Constant Rosales, Ambassador of Permanent Mission of Venezuela, The Hague



## Sri Lanka

"Sri Lanka expresses **strong commitment to the CFC's mandate**, emphasizing the importance of supporting smallholders in tea, rubber, cinnamon, and spice sectors. The country encourages strategies that promote **diversification, enhance value addition, improve market access, foster innovation**, and strengthen resilience to global market fluctuations. Sri Lanka welcomes the adoption of the **Strategic Framework 2025–2035**, the **operationalization of the ACT Fund**, and collaborations that expand the CFC's outreach."

- Ms. Galapita Rallage Shashiprabha Wijerathna, First Secretary, Embassy of Sri Lanka, The Hague (on behalf of H.E. Ms. Rekha Gunasekera, Ambassador of Sri Lanka to the Netherlands)



## Bangladesh

"Bangladesh reaffirms its **long-standing partnership with the CFC and underscores the importance of supporting smallholders** (especially women and youth) in commodities such as jute, tea, leather, fisheries, horticulture, and processed food."

"Key priorities include: (1) Value Addition and Modernization (2) Strengthening Smallholder Integration (3) Promoting Climate-Smart and Sustainable Commodities (4) Advancing South–South Cooperation."

- Mr. Md Hasan Abdullah Towhid, Counsellor, Embassy of Bangladesh, The Hague (on behalf of H.E. Mr. Tareque Muhammad, Ambassador of Bangladesh to the Netherlands)





## Brazil

"Brazil welcomes the CFC's forward-looking initiatives, including the **ACT Fund** and the **'Humanizing the Value Chain'** program, which aim to increase institutional agility and impact. Brazil strongly supports the **Strategic Framework 2025–2035 as a blueprint for 'CFC 2.0,'** enabling the Fund to: (1) Deepen impact and blended finance approaches, (2) Strengthen partnerships across development and climate-finance architecture, (3) Consolidate a coherent, results-driven institutional direction

"Brazil highlights the **alignment between the CFC's work and domestic efforts to reduce hunger and poverty**, citing the 'Brasil Sem Fome' plan and the renewed 'Bolsa Família' program..."

- Mr. Felipe Ferreira Marques, Second Secretary, Embassy of Brazil, The Hague (on behalf of H.E. Fernando Simas Magalhães, Ambassador of Brazil to the Netherlands)



## Tanzania



"We propose that the CFC continue strengthening **value addition and local processing to move beyond raw commodity exports**, in line with the Sevilla Commitment."

"We propose **expanding the Warehouse Receipt System** to improve storage, trade, price security, and market access for smallholders."

"We propose that the **ACT Fund be operationalized to fill early-stage investment gaps** for SMEs and cooperatives, enabling catalytic impact at scale."

"We propose **enhancing technical assistance to integrate new technologies** and structured trading systems, linking farmers directly to regional and global markets."

"We propose **early finalization and implementation of the Strategic Framework 2025–2035** to guide priorities, resource allocation, and long-term planning."

- H.E. Ms. Caroline Kitana Chipeta, Ambassador of Tanzania to Netherlands

## Burkina Faso

"Burkina Faso encourages the CFC to pay **special attention to countries in situations of resilience, particularly those in the Sahel affected by security crises**, to support initiatives that provide smallholders with decent and dignified livelihoods."

"We support the **adoption of the Strategic Framework 2025–2035** as it provides a clear governance roadmap, a dashboard for decision-making, and a tool to enhance the CFC's efficiency and performance."

"We encourage the **CFC to continue humanizing commodity value chains**, ensuring benefits reach all stakeholders, including producers in developing and developed countries."

- H.E. Mr. Leopold T. Bonkougou, Ambassador of Burkina Faso to the Belgium and the EU



## Colombia



"Colombia encourages the **CFC to continue supporting projects that generate tangible results** for smallholders and rural communities, aligning with global objectives on poverty reduction, food security, and environmental sustainability."

"Colombia highlights the **importance of initiatives such as the Commodity-Specific Trust Funds** to promote sustainable intensification, income diversification for producers, and implementation of traceability systems in coffee and cocoa sectors."

"Colombia recognizes **the importance of the Strategic Framework 2025–2035 in incorporating national investors** such as the Banco Agrario de Colombia and in highlighting domestic capacities, including artificial intelligence development."

- H.E. Ms. Carolina Olarte Bácares, Ambassador of Colombia to the Netherlands

## Nigeria

"Nigeria sees the **CFC not simply as a project facilitator, but as a strategic partner** that is able to bridge gaps in finance and capacity, stimulate private-sector participation and encourage sustainable commodity transformation."

"Nigeria calls on **all Members Countries to reaffirm their commitments**, scale up resources, enhance collaboration, streamline projects approval and ensure that results from CFC interventions are visible and impactful on the ground."

"Nigeria remains **optimistic about the future of commodity-based development and the role of the CFC in catalyzing inclusive, sustainable and resilient value chains.**"

- Mrs. Nnenna Ebere Ibekaku, Chargé d'Affaires a.i., Embassy of Nigeria, The Hague



## Ghana

"Ghana encourages the **CFC to continue localising development and humanising value chains** to ensure adequate compensation for farmers, promote inclusive growth, and reduce unemployment and social underdevelopment."

"Ghana notes with satisfaction **the recognition of the CFC at the Fourth International Conference on Financing for Development in Seville** and reaffirms support for enhanced voluntary contributions to address the specific needs of commodities and their producers."



- Mr. William Charles Manful, Chargé d'Affaires a.i., Embassy of Ghana, The Hague

## Russian Federation



The Russian Federation encourages the **CFC to continue providing catalytic financing, loans, equity, and grants, to strengthen commodity value chains** in developing countries, increase productivity, reduce post-harvest losses, improve market access, and support value addition at the source."

"**The CFC's governance structure, which ensures a strong voice for developing country members, is crucial to keeping the agenda demand-driven** and aligned with the real needs of these countries."

- H.E. Mr. Vladimir Tarabrin, Ambassador of Russia to the Netherlands

## Egypt

"We propose that the **CFC continues to strengthen its outreach to Agri-SMEs and smallholder farmers** in countries like Egypt by improving access to finance, technical assistance, and capacity-building initiatives. We encourage the Fund to **further develop the Humanizing the Value Chain initiative....**"

"**We propose exploring joint programs with national authorities to enhance agricultural modernization**, climate-smart farming, financial literacy, export diversification, and risk mitigation, thereby increasing resilience and productivity."

- H.E. Mr. Emad Hanna, Ambassador of Egypt to the Netherlands



## Laos



"We propose that the **CFC continues to strengthen support for smallholder farmers**, rural SMEs, and value-added commodity sectors in landlocked and resource-rich countries like Lao PDR. We encourage the Fund to prioritize climate-resilient agriculture, green technologies, and sustainable practices that enhance productivity, reduce vulnerability to market fluctuations, and promote inclusive growth."

"We support initiatives that **enhance value addition in commodities** such as coffee, cashew, spices, and non-timber forest products, while empowering women and youth in rural areas..."

- Mr. Vassana Mounsaveng, Counsellor, Deputy Chief of Mission, Embassy of Laos, Brussels

## Argentina

"We encourage the Fund to **strengthen capacity-building initiatives for commodity producers**, ensuring they can expand production, diversify activities, incorporate new technologies, and access international markets effectively."

"We recommend that the **Strategic Framework 2025–2035 remains a living document, adaptable to evolving needs**, while prioritizing tangible outcomes for producers rather than being conditioned by broader agendas such as the 2030 Agenda or the Pact for the Future."



- Mr. Diego Sadofsch, Chargé d'Affaires, Embassy of Argentina, The Hague



## Senegal

"We encourage the **adoption and implementation of the Strategic Framework 2025–2035**, recognizing it as a forward-looking, inclusive, and transparent roadmap for enhancing the Fund's efficiency and impact."

"We propose continued transparency and **effective management of the ACT Fund, CAFI partnership, and FCDO Fund**, as these mechanisms provide essential opportunities for African countries and contribute to strengthening rural economies."

"We propose **maintaining and expanding technical assistance programs** that directly benefit smallholder farmers, rural enterprises, and SMEs, with attention to gender inclusion and sustainable development outcomes."

- Mr. Henry Pierre Sarr, First Secretary, Embassy of Senegal, The Hague (on behalf of H.E. Ms. Ramatoulaye Ba Faye, Ambassador of Senegal to the Netherlands)



## India

"We encourage the **CFC to expand support for climate-smart agriculture, digital technologies**, and innovative financing mechanisms, including AI, blockchain, geospatial tools, and digital traceability, to enhance productivity, resilience, and efficiency across commodity value chains."

"We propose **strengthening value addition in developing countries**, leveraging technology-enabled traceability solutions and initiatives like Humanizing the Value Chain, to ensure higher returns and equitable market participation."

"We encourage the **Fund to enhance collaboration with international and regional organizations** such as FAO, IFAD, WFP, UNDP, and regional development banks to promote climate-resilient, nutrition-sensitive, and inclusive commodity systems."

- H.E. Mr. Kumar Tuhin, Ambassador of India to the Netherlands



## Peru

"We encourage the **CFC to actively implement and monitor the Strategic Framework 2025–2035**, ensuring that it provides clear guidance, measurable impact, and alignment with member countries' priorities."

"We **propose expanding initiatives such as 'Humanizing the Value Chain'** to improve transparency, fairness, and equitable remuneration for producers, fostering dignity and inclusion throughout commodity chains."

"We propose that the **CFC continues to enhance outreach and participation in project calls**, ensuring wider engagement of member states and maximizing impact through co-financing and leveraging additional resources."

- H.E. Ms. Franca Deza Ferreccio, Ambassador of Peru to the Netherlands



## Cameroon

"We propose that the CFC continues to strengthen agricultural development in member countries by supporting initiatives that enhance **local value addition, rural employment, and the resilience of commodity value chains**, as exemplified by programs such as the Cocoa Valley in Cameroon."

"We encourage the **CFC to maintain and expand blended financing mechanisms**, including the ACT Fund and other trust funds, to enable small and medium agribusinesses to access catalytic capital for transformative projects."

"We propose that the **CFC strategically implements the 2025–2035 Strategic Framework** as a living and adaptable document, incorporating regular feedback from member states and ensuring it responds to the urgent needs.."

- H.E. Ms. Madeleine Liguemoh Ondoua, Ambassador of Cameroon to the Netherlands



## Indonesia

"We encourage the CFC to scale up context-sensitive solutions that help smallholders adapt to climate change, extreme weather events, and evolving green policy requirements, ensuring they remain competitive and connected to global supply chains."

"We propose the CFC strengthens partnerships with national governments to advance technology adoption, production-to-market linkages, and value addition for smallholders, **transforming them from mere producers to empowered actors within commodity value chains**."

- Ms. Mariska Dhanutirto, Deputy Chief of Mission, Embassy of Indonesia, The Hague



## Nepal

"Nepal stresses that **commodity dependence continues to heighten the vulnerabilities of developing countries, particularly LDCs and LLDCs**, due to geopolitical tensions, climate risks, and market volatility. Small producers suffer disproportionately from price shocks, currency fluctuations, and supply-chain disruptions, and therefore require sustained and targeted support."

"Nepal **recalls the outcomes of the Fourth International Conference on Financing for Development in Sevilla**, which highlighted value addition at origin, fairer contracts and markets, stronger commodity partnerships, and a reinforced role for the CFC in supporting industrial diversification in developing countries."



- H.E. Ms. Sewa Lamsal, Ambassador of Nepal to the Benelux and EU

## Cuba



"Cuba underscores that, in a complex and uncertain geopolitical context, **the work of CFC in supporting producers through projects** that generate employment, promote sustainable agriculture, and strengthen food security in developing countries **is not only necessary, but urgent.**"

"Cuba emphasizes that **effective support to commodity producers is achieved through project implementation, and therefore calls for greater backing** from donor countries, including through Official Development Assistance and other financing sources, to ensure the Fund has sufficient resources to expand the global impact of its projects."

- H.E. Ms. Eva Yelina Silva Walker, Ambassador of Cuba to the Netherlands

## Ethiopia

"Ethiopia reaffirms its **support for the CFC Strategic Framework 2025–2035**, considering it a vital instrument to bridge finance and development, **advance the vision of humanizing value chains, and deliver urgent** and future-oriented measures through technological transformation, solidarity, and burden sharing."

"Ethiopia **notes the growing number of project proposals submitted to the CFC and stresses that limited approvals** due to resource constraints highlight the urgent need to close the financing gap, particularly for Least Developed and Landlocked Developing Countries."



- H.E. Mr. Eshete Tilahun Woldeyes, Ambassador of Ethiopia to the Benelux and the EU

