






# 2001-2007 Hemispheric Ministerial Process

## MAIN HEMISPHERIC MINISTERIAL AGREEMENTS (HMA) FOR THE AGRICULTURE AND RURAL LIFE OF THE AMERICAS

Ministerial Meeting	Results
<p>Fifth Ministerial JAMAICA 2009</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>AGRO 2003-2015 Plan. HMA Jamaica 2009</b></li> </ul>
<p>Fourth Ministerial Guatemala 2007</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>AGRO 2003-2015 Plan. HMA Guatemala 2007</b> The agreement comprises two parts: (i) the 2008-2009 Hemispheric Agenda "Providing leadership for a holistic approach to agriculture and rural life," with 11 strategic actions that complement those adopted in the Ministerial Meetings held in 2003 (Panama) and 2005 (Guayaquil); and (ii) the section Implementation and Follow-up "Working together for agriculture and rural life in the Americas," which includes 6 measures with direct implications for the work in the countries and regions, as well as for the role of the international organizations and the Secretariat of the Ministerial Process. The Agreement of Guatemala 2007 focuses on how to build a renewed institutional framework for the sustainable development of agriculture and the rural milieu, with the participation of the public, private and social sectors.</li> </ul>
<p>Third Ministerial Ecuador 2005</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>AGRO 2003-2015 Plan. HMA Guayaquil 2005</b> The Agreement reaffirms the ministers' commitment to the AGRO 2003-2015 Plan and updates it with complementary strategic actions for the 2006-2007 biennium, as well as implementation and follow-up measures. The Agreement places emphasis on the promotion of national policies for agriculture and rural life, and the strengthening of regional integration and international cooperation.</li> </ul>

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<p data-bbox="187 241 313 293">Second Ministerial Panama 2003</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li data-bbox="399 241 890 293"> <b>AGRO 2003-2015 Plan of Action for Agriculture and Rural Life in the Americas</b>            The Ministers' decision to reach consensus on a shared hemispheric agenda, taken at the First Ministerial Meeting, prompted further dialogue and the development of the second HMA. The Ministers' determination was reflected in the Plan, in the following four complementary components: the Shared Vision 2015; the Strategic Objectives, to focus the efforts; Hemispheric Agenda, the strategic actions needed to achieve the objectives; and, the measures for Implementing and Following up on the Plan. The Ministers and their Delegates based the preparation of the Plan on a new and broader conception of agriculture and rural life, of great value in developing effective strategies for agriculture, which is summarized in the <b>AGRO-Matrix</b>.         </li> </ul>
<p data-bbox="161 626 337 678">First Ministerial Dominican Republic 2001</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li data-bbox="399 626 936 678"> <b>Ministerial Declaration of Bavaro for the Improvement of Agriculture and Rural Life in the Americas</b>            In the Declaration, the Ministers of Agriculture pledged to promote joint action aimed at improving agriculture and rural life, as called for in the Plan of Action adopted at the Third Summit of the Americas. They stressed the importance of making progress with the efforts related to food security, rural poverty alleviation and the sustainable development of agriculture and the rural milieu, addressing together the issues of competitiveness, equity, environmental sustainability and democratic governance.         </li> </ul>