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**Subject: Views on the operationalization of the portal referred to in  
paragraph 16 of decision 3/CP.27**

The aim of the portal (as mentioned in decision 3/CP.27) is the sharing of information on projects, initiatives and policies for increasing opportunities for implementation of climate action to address issues related to agriculture, food security and nutrition. In addition, the online portal will usefully support the discussion and exchanges during the workshops of the 4-year Joint Work and the information collated could support the formulation of the final synthesis report.

The EU also acknowledges the existence of other portals and platforms with similar objectives, and other relevant sources of information in relation to projects, initiatives and policies regarding agriculture, food security and nutrition.

The EU would like to invite the Secretariat and FAO to give presentations, at latest during the SBs in June 2023, on relevant existing portals, platforms, etc., and their functions in relation to the various aspects of climate action in agriculture, food security and nutrition. The EU also proposes to discuss details of how to set up the online portal during SB58, including the questions of which audience to be addressed and who will have access to the portal. The portal should be open and transparent, but there should be limitations to who is allowed to upload information and what kind of information that can be uploaded. It should be ensured that the information on the portal meets certain basic criteria, including on its relevance, accuracy and public accessibility.

The portal should be complementary to those portals, platforms and sources of information, avoid duplicating efforts and maximize the use of sources and information already available.

In the EU's view, the portal should be developed by the Secretariat, alone or in conjunction with other UN-bodies. The portal should be populated with information from Parties, UN-bodies and outside actors.

The portal should include information on national or international best-practice projects enhancing climate action in agriculture, food security and nutrition delivered by Parties. The information could include the duration of the projects, focus regarding adaptation, mitigation and their co-benefits; food security and nutrition; stakeholders involved, funding provided, documentation, etc. The EU proposes that the portal should also pay attention to the role of women and smallholder farmers and youth in agriculture, their challenges and practical measures to change their situation for the better.

Over the course of the 4 years the online portal should be further developed and linked to or involve information provided by other platforms and projects funded by GEF, GCF etc. Consideration should also be given to how the portal will link with the platform to be established by Article 6.8.

Once the portal is operational, it will be important for Parties to receive regular updates on the statistics of the portal's use and accesses as well as an assessment of its usefulness.