

Agriculture's contributions to the effort of climate change mitigation

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ABSTRACT

In 1992 it was decided to establish a framework of intragovernmental actions undertaken in order to meet the challenge of climate change. This has allowed the adoption of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC). The main objective of this Convention is to stabilize concentrations of greenhouse gases in the atmosphere so as to prevent dangerous anthropic perturbation for the climate system. This level should be set at a time sufficient to allow ecosystems to adapt naturally to climate change, so that food production is not threatened and to realize economic development in a sustainable way.