

S.3 Establishing an Arab Food Security Center that brings together successful Arab initiatives to promote sustainable food systems and facilitate investments for promising regional initiatives

1. What, in brief, is the solution?

Food security means providing the necessary food goods for the individuals, which may depend on cooperation with other countries or the state's self-sufficiency. Food security prevents food shortage or disruption under dangerous concomitances such as drought and wars and other problems that impede food security.

Thus, an Arab food security center must be established to bring together successful initiatives to promote sustainable food systems and facilitate investment in the Arab countries.

2. What was/were the source(s) from which this solution emerged?

Data and reports illustrate the implications of such a crisis, in addition to the mechanism used to assist victims of food crisis in the Arab States by providing them with essential food commodities to reach a state of stability.

3. What problem is it trying to address within food systems?

Reaching a stable level by cooperating with the Arab countries through establishing the Arab Center for Food Security, which aims to promote trade in agricultural commodities and reduce imports from abroad and encourage cooperation between Arab food-exporting countries. In addition, develop innovative mechanisms to integrate Arab food security, which ultimately aims to export food commodities among them.

This cooperation is possible through organizations such as the Arab League, the Gulf Cooperation Council, or other regional organizations.

4. Why is addressing that problem important for achieving the goal of your working group?

To find and reach the needed solutions to promote food sustainability, such as improving the agricultural investment climate in Arab countries and stimulating Arab capital to invest in the agricultural sector in Arab countries, by adopting a range of trade policies to achieve food sustainably.

5. How can this solution address that problem 'theory of change'?

The solution addresses the problem through the ongoing cooperation between the Arab States to discuss and exchange ideas and proposals to achieve food security. Such as the execution of infrastructure projects for the agricultural sector, creating an attractive investment environment, joint Arab agricultural projects, and at last, establishing an electronic system that allows the exchange of knowledge and shares the latest innovative solutions. Which all untimely aims to facilitate cooperation during crises and elevate the agricultural sector.

6. Why does this solution align to the definition and criteria for a 'game-changing solution' developed by the Summit?

Achieving food security has a great direct impact on humans' safety and health. It also reduces imports and helps rely only on inter-Arab trade by directly investing in the agricultural sector projects.

7. What is the existing evidence supporting the argument that this solution will work, or at least that it will achieve the initial outcomes described above?

The successful Arab initiatives, the implemented projects, and the existing investments serve as supporting evidence as they all demonstrate and promote food security's goals.

8. What is the current and/or likely political support for this idea?

The political support for this idea is evident, as most Arab states are conducting conferences and seminars related to the subject. In addition, the parliamentary leaders are supporting legislations related to the strategic stocking of essential food and non-food commodities.

9. Are there certain contexts for which this solution is particularly well suited, or, conversely, contexts for which it is not well-suited at all?

The solution will work very well for all the Arab states, especially the most affected States.