## Concluding remarks

## REACHING WOMEN FARMERS WITH CLIMATE RESILIENCE STRATEGIES IN AFRICA AND ASIA (Friday, Nov 11, 2022, Sharm El Sheikh)

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Thank you very much to all contributors and organizers of this very important side event!

So let me sum up some aspects:

- 1. Resilience is a nice concept but it has to be understood in place. The soil the water the Biodiversity the people. Nicoline de Haan pointed out: Listen to the women! Yes do so. But don't forget to listen to soils, to listen to the wild animals, the rivers and listen to the wind.
- 2. The wind is getting stronger and will become a storm. This is what we know but this shows us that it is so important to work on the goals of this conference (together for implementation) and not to lose hope but to act.
- 3. Young feminist people understand already and act in a promising way this was a very strong contribution that came from Gambia.
- 4. We have also heard which significant role a large number of women play in rural and smallholding agriculture. They need access to and land!

The French philosopher Bruno Latour, who deceased one month ago, proposed a new myth named "Gaia" for this new view of the earth. This view is healing and unifying. It does not divide into fragments, but seeks symbiosis. Acknowledging that it is always the parts that make a whole This is the only way to come resilience into being, and live and ecosystems are the model. Many local ethnic groups in Africa and Asia have a deep intrinsic understanding of this. However, the examples reported in this side event also show how the industrial growth society, in addition to climate heating, also causes the fragmented decay and thus the loss of ecosystem functions and social cohesion. Climate crises is one out of biodiversity and soil crises. Solutions therefore must include that, like Agroecology approaches

We heard many encouraging examples and we heard that women are already making a difference. Let's listen to them. Let's listen to Gaia.