

AU Summit CSO Statement Summary

- African Civil society commit to continue working closely with governments, communities to accelerate progress in agriculture for economic growth and food security. However, there is recognition that there is a lack of CSO coordination at continental and participants recommended for the establish of the CSO network for the sector (similar to ANEW)
- CSO commit to promote accountability and transparency by supporting and monitoring the implementation of the various decisions and commitments
- On climate change CSO are calling African Governments to create a coordination body to coordinate national, regional and Pan African initiatives to support the agreed mitigation and adaption measures
- CSO are also calling African Union members states to review progress and report on the implementation of the various decision and commitments made, particularly the Maputo and Sharm el Sheikh Declarations and identify mechanisms to integrate the decisions made into the national policies, programmes and plans
- CSO state in the preamble of the statement that improved water and sanitation contributes to sustained economic development and brings better health outcomes which allows people to engage in productive agricultural activities