

# Ending Comments

The Fork to Farm Global Dialogue was a day filled with laughter, dance, food, technological miracles, and technological glitches.

We were honoured to be in a space where farmers from the Philippines sang a song for farmers from Molow, where Mexican producers taught Scottish farmers a method to produce cintli<sup>19</sup> sustainably and where farmers and policy makers from Johannesburg and São Paulo shared how the moon guides their food production cycles.

There were many conversations where people learned things, found commonalities, and felt inspired. And there were also many difficult conversations that probably raised more questions than answers. Yet, this was the spirit of the event: to come together in conversation and learn from the things that emerged. The themes in this report reflect what participants felt important to discuss.

**The Fork to Farm Global Dialogue brought the expertise of food producers and local-decision-makers from around the world to show that food policy needs to be designed with farmers and local governments if it is going to be successful. Local actors are experts of their own situations, they know what can and cannot be done but they need to be involved in decision-making and they need to have the right structural support to nurture many of their already sustainable practices. These actors hold a wealth of knowledge which has the potential to help countries across the world not only meet climate change targets but also address the convergent health, nature, and economic crises.**

While there is always room for improvement and we have a lot to learn from participants' feedback, we know that the event created a space where people learned from others across the world, shifted preconceptions and felt connected, inspired and part of the bigger movement towards just, sustainable, and resilient food systems.

You can find out more about the project on our Fork to Farm website.

