World Business Council for Sustainable Development’s Work to Reduce Food Loss & Waste

As one of the seven organizations on the steering committee of the FLW protocol, WBCSD has been embedding food loss and waste (FLW) reduction in a range of its work programs while actively promoting the FLW Standard amongst its nearly 200 member companies. Since 2015, minimizing food waste has been an explicit goal at WBCSD’s Liaison Delegate and Council Meetings. Hundreds of leading business representatives heard the message directly from Peter Bakker and were presented meals throughout the meetings, designed together with WBCSD’s caterers, to avoid wasting food.

Under Mr Bakker’s leadership, WBCSD’s Climate Smart Agriculture working group was formed, with over 20 of the world’s leading agri-business and food companies, targeting to increase global food security by making 50 percent more food available while reducing agricultural emissions and minimizing food loss from field to shelf.

WBCSD hosts, as the Secretariat, the recently-launched Global Agri-business Alliance that will coordinate agribusiness companies’ efforts in reducing food loss, from harvest to processing, through its working groups dedicated to the topic.

The FLW Standard is also featured on WBCSD’s The Reporting Exchange, a comprehensive global resource which connects business to reliable and expert-verified information on sustainability reporting requirements and supporting resources.