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The Colombian Roundtable on Sustainable Beef and Dairy Systems (MGS) – a public-private partnership for transformation and impact

- **Discussion platform:** Supporting the dialogue on sustainable intensification of beef and dairy value chains
- **Public policy formulation:** Development of indicators and technical information
- **Information dissemination:** Workshops, seminars, capacity building events, field days, online platforms

### Context

- Sustainable intensification of beef and dairy systems is one of the principal debates in Colombian agriculture
- 2004: Foundation of MGS by the Ministry of Agriculture, CIAT and others
- Platform for supporting the transformation towards a sustainable cattle sector
- 53 member institutions from public and private sectors, academia, NGOs etc.; monthly meetings in Bogotá

### Our innovative approach

- Only sustainable livestock roundtable at global level that involves both private and public sectors
- Work is based on scientific advances
- Strong pull from private sector for implementation of new concepts and collaboration
- Strong involvement at policy formulation level
- Constantly increasing number of member institutions

### Outcomes

- Establishment of 12 regional roundtables focused on regional developments, capdev and pilot projects
- MGS linked to the Global Roundtable for Sustainable Beef and since 2019 part of the Constituency (www.grsbeef.org)
- Public policy on sustainable beef and dairy in final stage, based on technical guidelines established by MGS (hdl.handle.net/10568/103242)
- 2020: 4-month virtual seminar series on sustainable beef and dairy systems and value chains, organized by MGS, CIAT, FAO, and others (bit.ly/2Ad9pzY)

### Future steps

- Further strengthening of public policy framework
- Formulation of high impact projects for sustainable intensification of beef and dairy sector
- Increase in number of member organizations
- Focus on beef and dairy consumers

### Partners

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