

Food First Pact

An Ibero-American and Caribbean
parliamentary commitment to food security



Alianza Parlamentaria
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por la Seguridad Alimentaria

A proposal by the Ibero-American and Caribbean
Parliamentary Alliance for Food Security.



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WHAT IS THE FOOD FIRST PACT?

It is a **political instrument of the highest parliamentary level**, promoted by the Ibero-American and Caribbean Parliamentary Alliance for Food Security. Its objective is to establish concrete goals in parliamentary work to advance Sustainable Development Goal 2: Zero Hunger, ensuring a transversal approach to gender equality and a climate perspective.

PACTO ALIMENTACIÓN PRIMERO

Un compromiso parlamentario iberoamericano y caribeño por la seguridad alimentaria

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COUNTRIES THAT HAVE SIGNED THE PACT

To date



OCTOBER 2025 | MEXICO: First signing of the Pact within the framework of the Ibero-American and Caribbean Parliamentary Forum for Food Security, by the Vice President of the Mexican Senate.



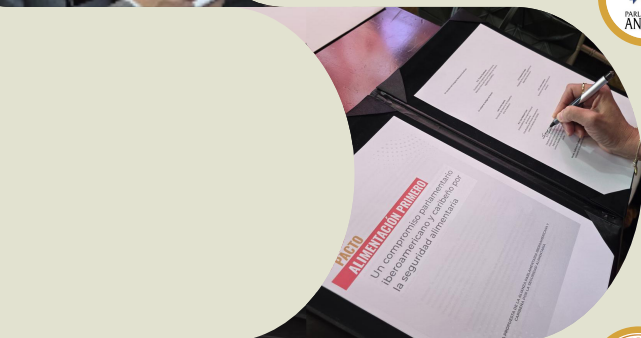
NOVEMBER 2025 | GUATEMALA: The President of the Congress of Guatemala leads the signing of the commitment, bringing together deputies, Executive authorities, international cooperation, and civil society.



JANUARY 2026 | CHILE: Joint subscription of the signature by both Presidencies of the Chambers of the National Congress to place food as a legislative agenda



APRIL 2026 | REGIONAL PROGRESS | PARLANDINO: The Andean Parliament ratifies its commitment to the Food First Pact in a Declaration of Support.



MARCH 2026 | DOMINICAN REPUBLIC: Signing of the Food First Pact by the President of the Senate and the President of the Chamber of Deputies.



MARCH 2026 | REGIONAL PROGRESS | FOPREL: The signing of the Pact by the Forum of Presiding Officers of Legislative Assemblies of Central America, the Caribbean Basin, and Mexico (FOPREL) is materialized.



APRIL 2026 | PANAMA: The President of the National Assembly puts his signature on the Food First Pact, incorporating the country into this network of regional commitments.



MAY 2026 | HONDURAS: The signature by the President of the National Congress seals the commitment articulated with FAO and the Alliance to promote coordinated actions against hunger.

¿WHO SUPPORTS THE PACT?



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WHY ITS SIGNING AND IMPLEMENTATION IMPORTANT

We live in a world of increasing complexity and uncertainty, where various global crises have shown that food is no longer a sectoral issue, but a strategic matter for the economic, social, and democratic stability of our countries. When agrifood systems weaken, the whole society is affected, hitting vulnerable families first and with greater intensity.

Therefore, food security is not built when the crisis arrives ; it must be forged beforehand, through agreements that protect people and prepare our territories for the future.

In this effort, the role of parliaments is irreplaceable. Due to their ability to build consensus and transcend political cycles, they can turn food security into a true State policy. Through laws, budgets, and oversight, they are called upon to lead the necessary agreements to transform commitments into concrete actions, strengthening agrifood resilience to contribute to more inclusive and sustainable societies. Precisely to promote this future vision, the **Food First Pact** arises. With it, the Ibero-American and Caribbean Parliamentary Alliance assumes that global challenges require shared responses and not solely national ones.

The Alliance offers the political space to build a joint voice capable of positioning the right to food, with a gender focus, at the center of the region's development agendas. More than a signature, the Pact is a platform to build agreements between parliaments, governments, academia, civil society, and international cooperation, consolidating State policies that guarantee that food is recognized as a strategic priority for our sustainable development.

PILLARS OF THE PACT



1. Guarantee of the Human Right to Food



2. Effective Legislation with Adequate Financing



3. Sustainability, Climate Action, and Gender Equity



4. Multi-actor Participation and Territorial Approach



5. Oversight, Accountability, and Transparency



6. Democracy and Parliamentary Autonomy



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POLICY MOVILIZING PACT

The Food First Pact is a mobilizing platform for State policies designed to generate broad agreements on food security. The signing by the parliamentary presidencies represents a decisive high-level political first step to position the issue at the center of the agenda. From this key milestone, the Pact transcends to become an articulation and governance mechanism that guides the concrete transformation of agrifood systems.

To achieve this impact, the commitment promotes national and territorial dialogues that unite State powers, academia, social organizations, and international cooperation with a clear objective: to identify priorities, strengthen, and accelerate public policies in key areas such as: school feeding, social protection, rural development, nutrition, and climate resilience.

Case of *Guatemala*

December 2025: Signing of the Pact by the President of the National Congress.

April 2026: I National Dialogue #FoodFirst that promotes the Public School Kitchens Law.

June 2026: Approval of the Law in the Food and Nutritional Security Commission.

October 2026: I Territorial Dialogue with rural women in the municipality of Baja Verapaz, with high levels of child malnutrition.

December 2026 (tentative): Approval of the Kitchens Law and legislative actions to grant more budget to school feeding.

THE PACT IN THE COUNTRIES



Signing of the Pact in the Congress of Honduras



II Ibero-American Dialogue #FoodFirst



School in the Dominican Republic



Signing of the Pact in the Senate of Chile

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