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Towards Just and Resilient Food Systems in Honduras (Regional Stocktaking Event – Atlantic Coast)

As a lead-up to the Global Food Systems and Nutrition Summit in Ethiopia this July, stakeholders across Honduras gathered in Trujillo, Colón, on June 20 for a regional stocktaking event. Held at Hotel Casa Alemana, the event aimed to present and validate the Second Progress Report on Honduras' National Food Systems Roadmap. The gathering served as a platform to reaffirm the country's commitments to more inclusive, resilient, and nature-positive food systems while promoting progress toward achieving Sustainable Development Goal 2: Zero Hunger.

A total of 43 participants (46% of whom were women, with strong representation from Garifuna and other ethnic communities) attended the event. These included representatives from producer organizations, rural finance groups, local governments, NGOs, and civil society organizations. Key partners such as the Ministry of Agriculture and Livestock (SAG), UTSAN, PROINORTE, Rikolto, and the Alliance of Biodiversity International and CIAT facilitated dialogue and collaboration. Discussions focused on increasing local ownership of the food systems roadmap, strengthening alliances between government and civil society, and reinforcing participatory, rights-based approaches to policy-making.

The event yielded valuable insights and concrete outcomes. One key takeaway was the importance of integrating a wide array of territorial and sectoral viewpoints—particularly those from local governments and producer organizations—into the formulation of national policies. Additionally, cooperation agencies and local leaders played a crucial role in elevating the quality of dialogue and fostering meaningful participation.

Wilmer Bonilla of PROINORTE emphasized the importance of these contributions: "This workshop with productive sectors and local governments allowed us to incorporate perspectives that differ from those of the central level. A key element has been the support from cooperation agencies and the leadership shown, which is reflected in the quality of the discussions and the commitment of the participating groups."

