

# G7 Agriculture Ministers' Meeting in Miyazaki

- As COVID 19 pandemic and Russian's aggression against Ukraine caused the soaring prices of agriculture products and inputs including fertilizer, ensuring food supply and food security are global challenges.
- In this situation, it is urgently needed to reduce environmental burden from agriculture, while increasing productivity to feed growing population.
- At the G7 agriculture Minister's meeting, ministers responsible for agricultural production gathered and discussed food security, in particular sustainable agriculture. Based on the discussion, Ministers adopted "2023 G7 Agriculture Minister's Communiqué" and "Miyazaki Actions", which summarizes the actions to be taken by each G7 country.

## Summary of the meeting

- ◆ Date: April 22, 23, 2023
- ◆ Host city: Miyazaki city, Miyazaki Prefecture
- ◆ Venue: Seagaia convention center

## Contents of discussion

- ◆ Discussions among participating countries on the realization of resilient and sustainable agriculture and food systems
- ◆ Each country introduced its efforts to enhance the sustainability of agriculture. In addition, they discussed what G7 countries can do for the world and what areas should be focused on.
- ◆ Japan presented "the Strategy for Sustainable Food Systems, MeaDRI" and insisted on the importance of R&D for innovation and its dissemination.
  - ✓ Examples of innovation
    - Spraying pesticides by drone
    - The pelletized solid composts



## Side events • Field trip • Reception

### ◆ Side events

Seminars on the following three themes will took place.

1. Sustainable Wood Use
2. Contribution by Food Sectors in the Food Supply Chain
3. Tackling the Climate Change with Innovations and Actions (Speech by Dr. Thomas J. VILSAC, Secretary of Agriculture, United States of America)

### ◆ Field trip

A visit to a farm producing mangoes which are the specialty of Miyazaki prefecture, and the demonstration of smart agriculture at an agricultural high school, etc. .

### ◆ Welcome reception

Wagyu beef, fruit and vegetables, fishery products, etc. were served to participants, giving them incentives to buy the same food stuff after returning to the countries.

