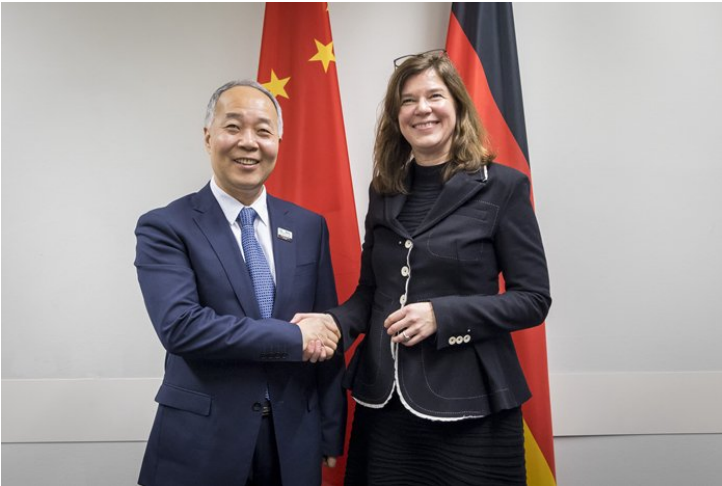


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Ma Youxiang, Vice Minister of Agriculture and Rural Affairs, held a meeting with Ophelia Nick, Parliamentary State Secretary of the Federal Ministry of Food and Agriculture of Germany, in Berlin. They exchanged views on further deepening China–Germany agricultural cooperation and signed the Action Plan on Agricultural Cooperation Between the Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Affairs of the People's Republic of China and the Federal Ministry of Food and Agriculture of the Federal Republic of Germany (2024–2028).

Vice Minister Ma pointed out that after more than half a century of agricultural cooperation between China and Germany, cooperative mechanisms are well-developed and fruitful results have been achieved, thus playing a positive role in advancing China–German relations. He suggested that the two countries should, through signing the *Action Plan*, adopt effective actions in areas such as rural revitalization, responding to climate change, and soil health, and jointly promote deep and solid cooperation in agriculture.

Parliamentary State Secretary Nick agreed with Vice Minister Ma's views and suggestions, saying that Germany stands ready to deepen pragmatic agricultural cooperation between the two countries and conduct close exchange on issues such as animal disease prevention and control, and market access for meat products.

Vice Minister Ma stated that the Chinese government attaches great importance to reducing food loss and waste, and has taken a series of effective measures to reduce loss by improving facilities, adopting technologies, reducing disasters, and using institutional means, thus achieving tangible results in reducing food loss and waste at all stages of the industrial chain. China stands ready to work with all countries to realize the UN 2030 food loss and waste reduction goal, while making greater contributions to safeguarding global food security and building a community with a shared future for mankind. Agriculture

ministers or vice ministers from over 90 countries and high-level representatives from international organizations attended the conference.Â Â