

## WORLD CLIMATE SUMMIT 2009 IN COPENHAGEN

### EFFAT DEMANDS IN THE AGRICULTURAL SECTOR

#### The Climate is changing. How about the workers?

On 11 December 2009, at the occasion of the World Climate Summit in Copenhagen, representatives of agriculture met upon invitation of EFFAT and declared:

- Climate change has negative consequences for humanity, the environment and jobs in agriculture.
- Therefore, the participants of the EFFAT conference in December 2009 in Copenhagen call the heads of State and government of the world community for a binding post-Kyoto agreement, which limits the growth of the global climate to 2 ° C compared with pre-industrial times.
- However, even with ambitious climate protection instruments, the consequences will be dramatic. Among the negative consequences, particularly the world food supply and the work in agriculture will be involved. Without developing early and comprehensive adaptation strategies, the economic and social benefits of agriculture will be jeopardized.
- Agriculture produces permanently the food supply for the world. Therefore, the global regions may no longer be played off against each other. Food sovereignty and food self-sufficiency are rights that must be enforced everywhere. Speculation with food prices are not our future, but good and sufficient food for all.
- We demand no less, but better agriculture. Therefore, the social situation of workers in agriculture shall no longer be ignored in the policy instruments. Without measures to improve their conditions, climate protection instruments will not be successful.
- Climate change and agriculture must be more closely linked. Trade unions of agricultural workers want to contribute to this and be associated.