“Bridging The Digital Divide”
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Key Discussion Points:
● SDG Ending Hunger by 2030
● Using technology to strengthen food systems
● Food Security
● Connectivity in rural communities
● Empowering women and the youth
● Partnerships between private sector businesses and civil society
● Going the last mile to implement technological solutions

Key Messages:
● Farmerline supports the delivery of services farmers need to grow their businesses and have successful yields. Support such as sending voice messages about weather forecast alerts, market prices, new farming techniques, and agrochemical applications to more data-driven individualized for the farmers.
● AGRA’s digital transformation works to improve food security for 30 million farming households across 11 countries by 2021.
● Microsoft Airband Initiative provides high-speed internet connectivity to rural communities to leverage the technological solutions
● The Hunger Project, Farmerline, and AGRA currently work together resulting in sustainable digital solutions to aid communities in Ghana and establish a village-based advisor delivery model that can be scaled.