

Thursday, 15 October 8:30– 9:30

Iran Room

South-South and Triangular Cooperation in food security and nutrition: The case of Argentina’s ProHuerta Project in Haiti #20

ORGANIZERS

ARGENTINA: Ministry of Social Development, Ministry of Agriculture, Livestock and Fisheries and Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Worship.

Abstract: The side event will include a presentation of the successful experience of the “ProHuerta Project in Haiti”, a motivating example of South-South and Triangular cooperation on food security and nutrition in Latin America and the Caribbean. This program promotes a balanced diet through organic production, with the active participation of the population.

The ProHuerta Project is an Argentine program which has been adapted to the conditions of Haiti and focuses on capacity building and promotion of organic farming and production to increase the local supply of food and increase resilience. It has been implemented through South-South and Triangular cooperation. Partners involved: Argentina, Haiti and other triangular partners such as: Agencia Española de Cooperación Internacional para el Desarrollo (AECID), Instituto Interamericano de Cooperación para la Agricultura (IICA), Agencia Canadiense de Desarrollo Internacional (ACDI), and the current triangular partner Unión de Naciones Suramericanas (UNASUR).

KEYWORDS: Small scale producers , Organic production , Agricultural development , South-South and triangular cooperation

Languages: SP , EN

Refreshments

Summary: Argentina presented the work that is carrying out in the field of South-South and Triangular Cooperation, in particular the case of the “ProHuerta Project in Haiti”.

It was highlighted the importance that Argentina gives to South-South and Triangular Cooperation and the opportunities of working together with FAO in this field.

As a very important food producer, Argentina has expertise in the field of production, and this experience, best practices and technologies can be shared with those countries that need it.

In this line, it was mentioned the participation of Argentina in the FAO South-South Cooperation Platform and the Seminars that Argentina and FAO are organizing under the umbrella of the designation by FAO of the CONABIA (National Commission on Agriculture Biotechnology) as Center of Reference for the Biosafety of Genetic Modified Organisms.

Taking into account the political importance that Argentina gives to South South and Triangular Cooperation, it was presented in detail the ProHuerta Project, a program that focuses on generating local capacity and the promotion of organic farming and production to increase the local supply of food and resilience.

After a rich discussion among the participants (delegations from Latin America, Africa, FAO South South Cooperation Department) , the clear message was that Argentina is prepared to share its expertise and knowledge on many issues related to food production and that there are many countries interested in engaging in this process of exchange though South-Sotuh Cooperation. It was also highlighted that FAO has a very important role in this process.