



Nutrition on the global agenda

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Commitments for Nutrition

- 2013 Nutrition for Growth Summit – countries committed political will and financial resources to accelerate progress in achieving the WHA targets by 2025
- 2014 2nd International Conference on Nutrition resulting in the Rome Declaration and the Framework for Action
- 2015 Sustainable Development Goals
- 2016 UN General Assembly Declares the Decade of Action on Nutrition- A major step towards mobilizing action around reducing hunger and malnutrition
- 2016 CFS- 43 session will approve nutrition as a major work stream

Convergence on Nutrition message

Addressing malnutrition in all its forms

Malnutrition must be addressed by adopting a food systems approach- looking at the entire food system from production to consumption

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Health

Poor diet 'biggest contributor to early deaths across the world'

September 2015



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Institute of Health Metrics and Evaluation Authority on Global Health Diseases

Global risk factors contributing to early deaths
(Source: GBD 2013; Lancet 2015)

September , 2015

Poor diet:

“Eating too few fruits and vegetables, nuts and whole grains, too much sodium (salt) and cholesterol are taking a toll on health across the globe”



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UN DECADE OF ACTION ON NUTRITION: 2016-2025

Seventieth session
Agenda item 15

Resolution adopted by the General Assembly on 1 April 2016

[without reference to a Main Committee (A/70/L.42 and Add.1)]

70/259. United Nations Decade of Action on Nutrition (2016–2025)

- *UN Decade of Action on Nutrition is for everybody;*
- *An opportunity to build momentum to fight all forms of malnutrition;*
- *A time for all stakeholders to declare commitment and to take ACTION;*
- A unique opportunity to work together to end malnutrition

Save the DATE!

A *UN Decade of Action on Nutrition*
event
in follow-up to the ICN2

1-2 DEC 2016

International Nutrition Symposium on Sustainable Food Systems for Healthy Diets and Improved Nutrition

Hosted in FAO headquarters, Rome. Live webcast of plenary sessions.

Organized by



Food and Agriculture
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Organization

Forestry in the Symposium and beyond

- **Parallel session on forests and nutrition during the symposium**

Focus will be on traditional forest foods and their nutritional value – lessons learned from countries

- **Addressing information gaps and raising awareness**

Collection and dissemination of data and information on nutritional value of forest foods

- **CFS 2017**

Discussion of the findings of the HLPE report on forests and food security, including nutrition implications

Thank you

