

Nourish Conference 2014: Our Common Wealth of Food

Glasgow Royal Concert Hall & The Old Fruitmarket, 16th and 17th October

Thursday 16 th October		
9.00-9.30	Registration	
9.30-10.15	Introduction: Overview of food, climate and commonwealth	<p>Pete Smith (Chair in Plant & Soil Science, University of Aberdeen)</p> <p>Marisa Wilson (Human Geography, University of Edinburgh)</p> <p>Video message from Olivier de Schutter (UN special rapporteur on the Right to Food)</p> <p>Chris Brown (Head of Ethical and Sustainable Sourcing, Asda, tbc)</p>
10.15-10.45	Break	
10.45-11.30	Farmers' Forum: Farmers leaders from across the Commonwealth will compare notes on climate change, land, and global markets, recognising the similarities of how farmers experience the food system worldwide.	<p>Audrey Walters-Butler (Caribbean Farmers Network)</p> <p>Krishan Bir Chaudhary (Indian Farmers' Society),</p> <p>Phillip Chidawati (Malawi Milk Producers Association)</p> <p>Nigel Miller (National Farmers Union Scotland),</p> <p>Pete Ritchie (Nourish Scotland & Whitmuir Organics)</p>
11.30-12.15	Citizens' Forum: Now hear how individuals experience the food system: the problem of accessing the right food at the right price, and local initiatives to face this challenge.	<p>Martin Johnston (Faith in Community Scotland)</p> <p>Jamie Livingstone (Oxfam Scotland)</p> <p>Suman (FIAN India)</p> <p>Terri Ballard (Food & Agriculture Organisation of the United Nations)</p>
12.15-12.35	Outline proposal for an Ethical Food Policy: What would an ethical food policy for Scotland look like? Framing some questions to consider throughout the conference.	Michael Northcott (Professor of Ethics, University of Edinburgh)
12.35-14.00	Lunch Stalls and posters	
14.00-15.00	A people-centred food system: How to create a food system which values producers and consumers, addresses public health, gender inequality and the reality of climate change.	<p>Harry Burns (former-Chief Medical Officer, Professor of Global Public Health, University of Strathclyde tbc)</p> <p>Tara Garnett (Food Climate Research Network, University of Oxford)</p> <p>Rucha Chitnis (Women's Earth Alliance)</p>

15.00-15.45	Parallel Sessions: Sustainable nutrition, resilient production, vibrant culture. Building on the previous panel discussion, an opportunity to approach some of the issues in smaller groups with experts in each field to inform discussions.	Sustainable Nutrition: Katharine Jenner (Action on Sugar) Jenny Mcdiarmid (University of Aberdeen) Resilient Production: Charles Henderson (Climate Futures) Bob Rees (University of Edinburgh) Alan Renwick (University College Dublin) Vibrant Culture: Charlotte Maberly (Queen Margaret's University tbc) Darina Allen (Ballymaloe Cookery School tbc)
15.45-16.15	Break	
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17.00-17.30	Closing session for day 1.	tbc
Evening event at The Old Fruitmarket, Glasgow, 16th October In collaboration with Cifal Scotland		
17.30-18.30	Drinks and nibbles	
18.30-19.30	Debate: What is the role of human-scale farming in global and household food security?	Sheila Dillon (BBC) Nick Dearden (World Development Movement) Rucha Chitnis (Women's Earth Alliance) Jethro Green (Caribbean Farmers' Network) Young farmer representative (Scottish Association of Young Farmers Club)
19.30-late	Evening meal - A feast fusing Commonwealth flavours and local Scottish food, with talks, poetry and music.	

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9.30-10.15	Introduction to day 2: Land, food and markets, taking a holistic approach to the global food system	Pete Ritchie (Nourish Scotland & Whitmuir Organics) Patrick Holden (Sustainable Food Trust) Caroline Drummond (Leaf) tbc
10.15-11.00	The Right to Food: How to ensure that everybody has access to nutritious food.	Suman (FIAN International) Duncan Wilson (Scottish Human Rights Commission)
11.00-11.30	Break	
11.30-12.15	Access to markets: Demystifying global trade rules and learning what access to markets means for farmers at home and abroad.	Nick Dearden (World Development Movement) Mo Samson (Muddy Boots Fife) Wycliffe Kumwenda (National Association of Smallholders Farmers' Union, Malawi)
12.15-13.00	Access to land: The latest on land reform in Scotland, and global land grabbing: as we celebrate the Commonwealth how can we stop corporations colonising Africa.	Iain MacKay (Torloisk Farm, Mull) Glen Ramjag (Food Crop Farmers Association) Pip Tabor (Land Reform Review Group tbc)
13.00-14.30	Lunch Posters & Stalls	
14.30-15.30	Toward an ethical food policy: How can we draw on the perspectives from the conference to produce the framework for an ethical food policy for Scotland? An introduction, followed by small working groups.	Alyn Smith (MEP, EU Committee for Agriculture & EU Committee for Foreign Policy)
15.30-16.00	Break	
16.00-17.00	Closing session	tbc