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Join us for a FAO side event at UN HQ

Achieving SDG 2 without breaching the 1.5 °C threshold: A global roadmap

On the occasion of the 1st Preparatory Committee Meeting for the 4th International Conference on Small Island Developing States (SIDS), the Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) of the United Nations warmly invites you to learn more about a brand-new policy roadmap to achieve SDG 2 Zero Hunger through ten action areas that would not only transform agrifood systems to provide healthy food for all, but also factor in climate-change measures along the way.



Presenting the new
Achieving SDG 2 Without Breaching the 1.5 °C Threshold: A Global Roadmap



Wednesday
24 January 2024
1.15 p.m. – 2.30 p.m. (EDT)



In Conference Room 8
UN HQ, New York
or stream on [UN Web TV](#)



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Overview

With between 691 and 783 million people facing hunger in 2022 globally, and more than 3.1 billion lacking access to healthy diets, tackling the challenges posed by food insecurity and malnutrition in all its forms is essential. Moreover, according to the State of Food Security and Nutrition in the World 2023 report ([SOFI 2023](#)), over 15 percent of people living in SIDS were estimated to be chronically undernourished while over 20 percent of the adults were obese.

As agrifood systems contribute 30% of anthropogenic greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions, there are trade-offs at play on whether to increase production to address current food security and nutrition requirements at the expense of future needs or to limit production to reduce emissions. In the face of these urgent challenges, we need an approach that interlinks and mutually reinforces the nature of the three pillars of sustainable development, fostering partnerships among different stakeholders for collective action.

Against this backdrop, [FAO launched at COP 28 in Dubai “Achieving SDG 2 without breaching the 1.5 °C is a threshold: A Global Roadmap”](#). The Roadmap aligns agrifood systems transformation with climate actions, offering a blueprint toward providing healthy food for all, today and tomorrow. As a comprehensive strategy, it provides a range of solutions across ten domains of action: clean energy, crops, fisheries and aquaculture, food loss and waste, forests and wetlands, healthy diets, livestock, soil and water, and data and inclusive policies. The Roadmap also recognizes the role played by increased collaboration and finance and aims to develop a repository of bankable and non-bankable projects to drive this transformation.

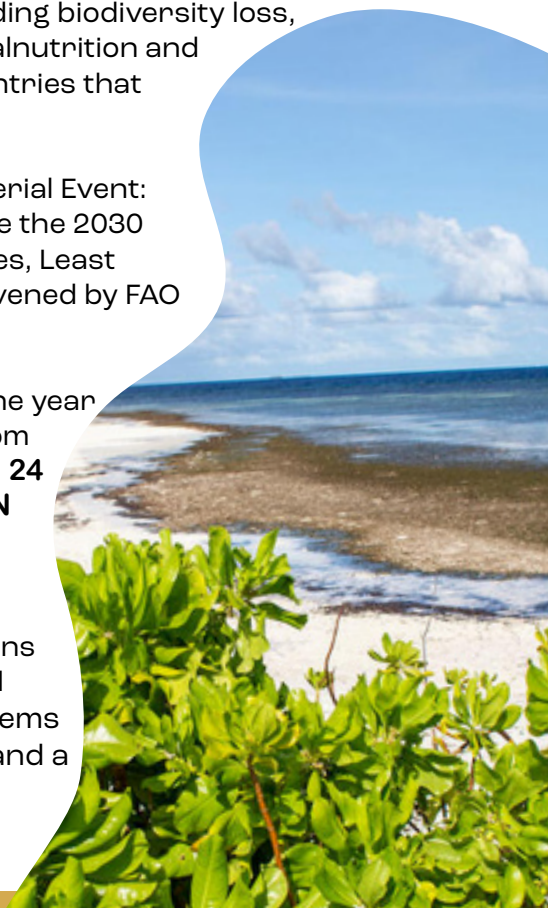
SIDS and the FAO Global Roadmap side event on Wednesday, 24 January 2024 at UN HQ at 1.15 p.m.

SIDS face a complex, unique and interconnected challenges including biodiversity loss, vulnerability to climate change and external economic shocks, malnutrition and diet-related non-communicable diseases, and are among the countries that stand to benefit the most from the FAO Global Roadmap.

It is also fully aligned to the [Call for Action](#) at the High-Level Ministerial Event: Transforming agrifood systems to increase resilience and achieve the 2030 Agenda - Harnessing the potential of Small Island Developing States, Least Developed Countries and Landlocked Developing Countries - convened by FAO on 29 June 2023.

Now, ahead of the [4th International Conference on SIDS](#) later in the year and in the margins of the [1st Preparatory Committee Meeting](#) from 22 to 26 January 2024, FAO is holding a side event on **Wednesday, 24 January 2024 at 1.15 p.m to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 8 at UN HQ in New York. You can also stream it live on [UN Web TV](#).**

Join us there for a unique chance for SIDS and development partners to come together and hear about the package of solutions within the new FAO Global Roadmap to charter the course toward MORE efficient, inclusive, resilient and sustainable agrifood systems for better production, better nutrition, a better environment and a better life, leaving no one behind.





Agenda



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1.15 pm EDT | Welcome

Introductions and overview



Moderated by
Angélica Jácome
Director, FAO Office of Small Island Developing States, Least Developed Countries and Landlocked Developing Countries

Presentation

Achieving SDG 2 without breaching the 1.5 °C threshold:
A Global Roadmap



Máximo Torero Cullen
FAO Chief Economist (video message)



High-level panel



H.E. Walton Alfonso Webson
Ambassador and Permanent Representative of Antigua and Barbuda to the UN in New York



H.E. Rebecca Bryant
Ambassador and Deputy Permanent Representative of Australia to the UN in New York



Natalia Winder Rossi
Director of Social Policy and Social Protection, UNICEF



David Laborde
Director, FAO Agrifood Economics and Policy Division

Closing remarks



H.E. Fatumanava-o-Upolu III Dr Pa'olelei Luteru
Ambassador and Permanent Representative of Samoa to the UN in New York and Chair, Alliance of Small Island States (AOSIS)

