Abstract

Although global youth are at the forefront of action towards sustainable agrifood systems, many young people around the world are facing enormous challenges in accessing the resources, finance, technology, knowledge and information that they need to be active contributors to agrifood systems transformation. While there have been policy efforts and products to review the opportunities for and constraints to youth engagement and employment in agrifood systems, it will be crucial to translate these global policy recommendations into tangible action at the local level. This side event emphasizes the enhanced value of collaboration and coordination between governments, youth networks and other key stakeholders in ensuring that the global policy recommendations on promoting youth engagement and employment are a catalyst to youth-led agrifood systems transformation in communities, cities and countries.

As such, this event will explore the most suitable modalities for shifting global policy guidelines to support and catalyze local change efforts and processes. It will also highlight case studies from diverse regions to demonstrate how local action can be shaped by global policy recommendations adapted to specific local contexts.

Objectives

- Understand the importance of translating global policy recommendations for youth engagement and empowerment in agrifood systems into local actions;
- Learn about successful case studies on the implementation of global youth policy recommendations at the local level;
- Identify strategies for fostering multi-stakeholder partnerships and scaling up successful initiatives.