

SEO8: Mirroring the CFS? National FAO Committees and inclusive multistakeholder approaches driving uptake of CFS policy products and food systems dialogues

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Description

The side event will showcase the various ways in which National FAO Committees (and similar structures) are and can be utilised to promote inclusive, multistakeholder-approaches to food systems governance and uptake of CFS products as well as food systems dialogues.

The FAO Basic texts refers to National FAO Committees as suitable instruments for coordinating participation in the activities of the Organization and some Members have Committees dating back decades. The function and composition of the Committees varies but several mirror the CFS as inclusive multistakeholder platforms involving and engaging a broad range of actors in agriculture and food systems. As such, the Committees can play important roles both in providing input to CFS processes and for the dissemination and uptake of CFS policy products and outcomes.

The side event will be an opportunity for sharing good practices and lessons learned from different National Committees highlighting various stakeholder perspectives.