

SE40: Advancing nutrition and gender outcomes in urban and peri-urban food systems

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Description

In many countries, gender disparity in food systems is still prevalent, and influences the nutritional outcomes of different household members. At the same time, when faced with disruptions, women and children are unequally burdened with household responsibilities, and often face significantly higher levels of food insecurity and worse nutrition outcomes than men. As urban and peri-urban landscapes continue to evolve, agrifood systems will also change, with implications for the availability and affordability of healthy and nutritious diets, especially for women and children.

This side event brings together experts in the field of nutrition, gender and food systems, to explore the synergies and trade offs from the urban and peri-urban continuum with positive gender and nutrition outcomes, and its impact on food and nutrition security. It will encourage the audience to engage by highlighting new insights and evidence-based solutions that can bridge the gender-nutrition nexus with rapid urbanization. The event will also seek to address the 'how' in enabling sustainable, equitable and nutritious urban and peri-urban food systems to benefit diverse communities, especially women and children, leaving no one behind.