

Collaborative Governance Dialogue on Financing for Food Security and Nutrition

Red room, FAO headquarters and via zoom

15 April 2025, 14.00-17.00

Provisional Agenda

Objective of the Dialogue: identify the role of the Committee on World Food Security (CFS) in promoting improved financing for food security and nutrition in the context of the progressive realization of the right to adequate food; exchange ideas about current challenges in financing for food security and nutrition; and discuss potential responses and innovative solutions to address identified challenges

1) Opening

- Ambassador Nosipho Nausca-Jean Jezile
CFS Chairperson
- Introduction of the session and agenda by the moderator

2) Financing for food security and nutrition: key challenges and recent developments

- **Expert presentations:** Presentations will focus on establishing a shared understanding of financing for food security and nutrition in the context of the progressive realization of the right to food. They will also outline current challenges at global, national and local levels, including their root causes and recent developments in the financing for food security and nutrition.
 - ◆ Mr Jim Woodhill
Senior Advisor
Global Donor Platform for Rural Development
 - ◆ Mr Ruben Echeverria
High Level Panel of Experts on Food Security and Nutrition (HLPE-FSN)
- **Reflections from CFS stakeholder groups:** CFS Member States and constituencies will share their insights and experiences regarding the challenges with regards to financing for food security and nutrition.
 - ◆ Mr Germán Guerrero
Technical Secretary, National Commission for Agricultural Credit, Colombia
 - ◆ Mr Ahmed Saeed Abdo Al-Wahsh
Technical Advisor
Ministry of Agriculture, Irrigation and Fisheries, Yemen

- ◆ Ms Morgan Ody
General Coordinator
La Via Campesina France
Civil Society and Indigenous Peoples Mechanism (CSIPM)
- ◆ Mr Brent Malahay
Group Chief Strategy Officer
Equity Bank Kenya
Private Sector Mechanism (PSM)
- Open floor discussion

3) Potential solutions and responses

- Reflections from CFS stakeholder groups: CFS Member States and constituencies present their perspectives and experiences in using different financing instruments and/or solutions.
 - ◆ His Excellency Ibrahim Assane Mayaki
Special Envoy for Food Systems
African Union
 - ◆ Mr Bruce Campbell
Co-chair
Global Donor Platform for Rural Development
 - ◆ Mr Robson Lopes
General Coordinator of Rural Production Financing
Ministry of Rural Development and Family Farming, Brazil
 - ◆ Ms Lauren Baker
Representative of the Philanthropic Foundations Mechanism (PFM)
- Q&A segment
- Expert presentations: Presentations will explore various potential solutions and responses to the identified challenges, such as improving access to financing for smallholder farmers, optimizing domestic financial resources, mobilizing private investments, and innovative financing instruments.
 - ◆ Mr Michael Fakhri
UN Special Rapporteur on the Right to Food
 - ◆ Mr Nuno Santos
Deputy Director, Investment Center
Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO)

- ◆ Ms Federica Cerulli Irelli
Chief Partnership Officer
International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD)
- ◆ Mr Ibrahima Coulibaly
President
Pan African Farmers Organization (PAFO)
- ◆ Ms Natasha Hayward
Global Lead
Food and Nutrition Security
World Bank

4) Discussion about potential solutions for and the role of CFS in financing for food security and nutrition

- Moderated discussion focusing on how CFS can strengthen the coordination of global policy responses to improve financing for food security and nutrition, including how the CFS can engage with other global initiatives such as the FFD4

5) Closing

- CFS Chairperson closing remarks
- Moderator summary and closing of the meeting