

A High-Level Event by the Committee on World Food Security (CFS) and UN-Nutrition

COHERENT POLICIES, EFFICIENT ACTIONS: HOW TO ADDRESS THE GLOBAL FOOD CRISIS

Friday 20 January 2023 (15:30 – 17:00, CET) – Global Forum for Food and Agriculture (Berlin)

The [Committee on World Food Security](#) (CFS) and [UN-Nutrition](#) are organizing a High-Level Event on “Coherent policies, efficient actions: how to address the global food crisis”, scheduled for Friday, 20 January 2023 (15.30-17.00, CET) in hybrid modality. The High-Level Event will take place in the context of the 2023 Global Forum for Food and Agriculture, held in Berlin and organized by the Federal Ministry of Food and Agriculture of Germany.

You can join the live stream of the event [HERE](#).

BACKGROUND

The state of global food security and nutrition is worrying. An estimated 702 to 828 million people globally were affected by hunger in 2021 – about 150 million more since the outbreak of the COVID-19 pandemic. In 2020, an estimated 149 million children under age five were stunted, 45 million were wasted and 39 million were overweight, while nearly 571 million women experienced anaemia in 2019. With only eight years left to 2030, SDG 2 targets are unlikely to be achieved in many parts of the world unless we drastically change course.

In responding to the current global food crisis, it is crucial for countries, international and regional organizations, civil society, producer and consumer organizations, businesses and the research community to acknowledge the need to move towards food systems that are more resilient, equitable and sustainable. Inclusive governance is critical to promote better coordination and policy coherence among sectors and actors so that food systems can deliver healthy diets for all, while also contributing to climate change mitigation and adaptation, reducing biodiversity loss and restoring ecosystems.

KEY OBJECTIVES OF THE HIGH-LEVEL EVENT

The High-Level Event will represent an opportunity to highlight the imperative need for food systems transformation in the wake of the current unpredictable global food security landscape and the key role of CFS as a multi-stakeholder governance platform, and UN-Nutrition as an inter-agency coordination mechanism, in promoting collaboration between all relevant actors and building synergies.

Discussions will take place on how efforts to implement the CFS policy tools can help countries achieve their evolving national food security and nutrition plans and realize 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development. The event will underscore the importance of promoting inclusive governance, policy coherence and increased coordination among sectors and actors to boost accelerated policy actions at global, regional, national and local levels in support of food systems transformation.

MODERATOR



Ms **Stineke Oenema**
Executive Secretary, UN-Nutrition

PANELISTS

Keynote address



Ambassador **Gabriel Ferrero**
Chairperson, Committee on World Food Security (CFS)

Interventions by



H.E. **Esteban Valenzuela Van Treek**
Minister of Agriculture, the Republic of Chile



H.E. **Mariam Almheiri**
Minister of Climate Change and Environment, United Arab Emirates



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