

## **The Potential, Practice, and Politics of Repurposing Public Agriculture Support for Healthy People, Planet and Economy**

“When it comes to agricultural policy, farmers don’t just want to be invited to the dinner table. They want to help prepare the meal.” Theo De Jager, President, World Farmers Organization

Agricultural policy can be a critical mechanism for strengthening farmer livelihoods, supporting planetary health, and driving economic transformation. But to do realize this ‘triple win,’ public support to agriculture must be substantially redesigned. The reality today is that most agricultural policy in both the global North and the global South falls far short of these urgent aims. Farmers need incentives that support sustainable agriculture. And, in fact, they need to participate in the design of these incentives. These were the principal messages of the CFS Partner Event held on October 15, which included both farmers and senior leadership representing the World Bank, the World Farmers Organization, the Togolese Republic, the Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia, the Southern African Confederation of Agricultural Unions, the Italian Young Farmers’ Organization, and the UK’s Department for Environment, Food & Rural Affairs. As Ann Tutwiler, who represented one of the event’s co-organizers, Just Rural Transition, observed, the discussion itself was an example of how producers and policymakers must listen to one another in order to repurpose policy effectively.

### **Recording:**

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