

Regional Experts Workshop

FOOD AND NUTRITIONAL SECURITY INDICATORS MEASUREMENT TO SUPPORT OF PUBLIC POLICIES IN LATIN AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN

FAO PROJECT MDS GCP GCP/RLA/193/BRA

August 31 and September 1 , Panama City , Panama .

1. Expected Objectives and Results

Objective of the event

Improve national statistical systems of FNS to produce reliable data to be used in supporting the design and implementation of strategies for public intervention.

Specific Objectives

- Analyze and develop recommendations for improvement in the area of sectoral institutions and governance related monitoring systems FNS in the region, with special emphasis on statistical systems, in order to improve the strategic relationship between the FNS monitoring and policy management.
- Deepen countries' knowledge about methodology used to estimate the prevalence of undernourishment indicator and discuss the importance of quality of national data.
- Analyse the FNS measurement using scales based on experience (ELCSA, FIES-VOH, EBIA, and others); including their scope in terms of subgroups of the population identified in terms of gender, race , ethnicity and others, and their use for the formulation of public policies.

Results

This workshop will be a continuation of the event held last December in Bogota , that sought to contribute to a critical and comparative view of the existing measuring instruments of the state FNS, and its links with FNS policies , discussing necessary conditions for adoption and improvement. This seminar is specifically aimed at generating awareness among institutions responsible for producing the data used in

the estimation of FNS indicators, about the most appropriate methodologies to produce that data efficiently and with the highest possible quality .

The results, in the form of proposals and recommendations to countries , will be published in an electronic document. Emphasis will make on methodologies and mechanisms for obtaining information linked to them , in order to support the sectoral policies of FNS systems.

Moreover, it is expected to get a critical discussion group, destined to encourage and promote the discussion on the continuous improvement of FNS statistics in the countries of the region.

2. Features of the event, participants profile and methodology

The event will be a seminar for public managers linked to social, food and nutrition security and statistical policies, with an analytical character and ability to formulate recommendations to improve the production of data for estimation FNS Indicators. Using the conceptual updating of the different systems for measuring the state of the FNS that exist in the region, methodologies for decreasing the gaps in the region , will be identified and discussed with respect to data production for FNS Indicators estimation.

Attendees will be mainly professionals involved directly in the design and implementation of social policies and tools for the collection of data related to FNS in the countries participating in the GCP / RLA / 193 / BRA project (and other invited countries), as well as those involved in the coordination of FNS information systems.

The general methodology of the workshop will include presentations in plenary sessions, to be distributed as follows :

- On the first day , the main conclusions of the research " Monitoring of Food and Nutritional Security in Support of Public Policy in Latin America and the Caribbean" as a result of Bogotá workshop will be presented.
- Then, the methodology used to estimate the prevalence of undernourishment (POU) , will be presented in detail and the experience of Brazil and Colombia in its calculation.
- On the second day, there will be an exchange of experiences among participants, focusing the discussion on the implementation of food security scales based on experience (ELCSA , EBIA , FIES) and their use for the development and monitoring of FNS public policies. a presentation will be made of the methodologies used in these scales , their possible use to inform, decision making and advantages of incorporating them in national surveys.

Program

Monday, August 31

08:30 hrs	Registration of participants. Duration : 30 minutes
09:00 hrs	Opening Moderator: Emma Siliprandi Duration : 30 minutes
09:30 hrs	I. Panel on Context and Concepts Moderator and introduction: Emma Siliprandi (15 minutes) 1st . Presentation : main findings of the research " Monitoring of Food and Nutritional Security in Support of Public Policy in Latin America and the Caribbean" (30 minutes) presents : Ana Segall and Anne Kepple . Open floor discussion Comments Duration : 1 hour.
10:30 hrs	Coffee. Duration: 30 minutes
11:00 hrs	<u>II . Panel about estimating the Prevalence of Undernourishment (PoU) indicator.</u> <u>Moderator:</u> Veronica boero 2nd . Presentation : Methodology used in calculating the PoU . Presents: Carlo Cafiero, FAO. (30 minutes) 3rd . Presentation : Experience of Brazil in the calculation of the PoU . Presents: Paulo Jannuzzi , MDS Brazil (30 minutes) Comments Duration : 1 hour 30 minutes.
12:30 hrs	Lunch. Duration: 1 hour 30 minutes
14:00 hrs	<u>III . Panel about estimating the Prevalence of Undernourishment (PoU) indicator.</u> Moderator: FAO-Panamá 4th . Presentation : Calculation of the average energy availability and the coefficient of variation using household surveys and indirect calculation of the coefficient of variation. (45 minutes) Presents: Carlo Cafiero, FAO. Open floor discussion Total Time: 1 hour 45 minutes.
15:45 hrs	Coffee. Duration: 15 minutes
16:00 hrs	Moderator: Juan Carlos Orue – STP Paraguay 5th . Presentation : Food Balance Sheets . Presents: Tomasz Filipczuk, FAO (30 minutes)

	<p>6th . Presentation : Experience of Colombia in the calculation of the FBS. Presents : Colombian Institute of Family Welfare - ICBF , Colombia . (30 minutes)</p> <p>Reviews Total Time: 2 hours 00 minutes</p>
18:00 hrs	end of the day

Tuesday, September 1

9:00 hrs	<p>Regional experience measuring the FNS Moderator: INEC Panamá</p> <p>7th . Presentation : Methodology of food security scales based on experience and the benefits of incorporating them in national surveys . presents: Hugo Melgar (45 minutes)</p> <p>Open floor discussion</p> <p>45 minutes discussion Total Time: 1 hour 30 minutes.</p>
10:30 hrs	Coffee. Duration: 15 minutes
11:00 hrs	<p>Moderator: Edwin St. Katherine – NSO St. Lucia</p> <p>8th . Presentation : Results from the Voices of the Hungry project. presents: Carlo Cafiero (45 minutes)</p> <p>Open floor discussion</p> <p>Reviews Total Time: 1 hour 30 minutes</p>
12:30 hrs	Lunch. Duration: 1 hour 30 minutes
14:00 hrs	<p>Moderator: Anne Kepple</p> <p>Panel discussion with two panelists and a moderator on experience with the use of these scales to inform decision making. Brazil (Priscila Bocchi) and Mexico (Luz María Uribe)</p> <p>Reviews Total Time: 1 hour 30 minutes.</p>
15:30 hrs	Coffee. Duration: 15 minutes
15:45 hrs	Conclusions and recommendations of the workshop .
17:00 hrs	end of the day

Coordination Committee :

FAO - RLC : Emma Siliprandi (Project 193) and Veronica Boero.

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