

UN food and agriculture conference explores how best to end hunger, food insecurity and malnutrition by 2030



08/03/2016 Putrajaya, Malaysia – On the sidelines of FAO’s 33rd Regional Conference for Asia and the Pacific (APRC33), Kundhavi Kadiresan, Assistant Director-General and Regional Representative for Asia and the Pacific, moderated a side event today that explored how best to meet the UN Strategic Development Goals by the 2030 target date.

Panelists participating with Kadiresan were: Xaypladeth Choulamany, Director-General of Planning and Cooperation Ministry Agriculture and Forestry, of Lao People’s Democratic Republic, Assik Tommy Tomscoll, Minister for Agriculture and Livestock, Papua New Guinea and Lupino Javier Lazaro, Jr, Agriculture Attaché and Deputy Permanent Representative to FAO, IFAD and WFP.

The event encouraged convention participants to discuss their country experiences and lessons from the Asia–Pacific region’s generally successful achievement of the Millennium Development Goal 1C: reducing by half the proportion of people suffering from hunger between 1990 and 2015.

When the UN General Assembly endorsed the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development (SDG) in New York last September, many saw its scale and ambition as ambitious. The SDGs include 17 goals and 169 targets covering economic, social and environmental sustainable development.