



Information Note

FAO @ HLPF

July HLPF

- Delegation: The FAO Director-General will lead FAO's delegation.

July HLPF Special Events & Side Events

- Special Event: The *State of Food Security and Nutrition in the World (SOFI) 2019* will be launched at a Special Event during HLPF, on 15 July 2019, 10 am–1 pm, Conference Room 1.
- SIDS Side Event: Organized by Palau, co-organized by FAO on SIDS food security, on 15 July, 6:30–8 pm, Conference Room 7.
- Family Farming Side Event: Organized by Costa Rica and IFAD, co-organized by FAO on the launch of the Decade of Family Farming, on July 16, 3–5 pm, Conference Room 2. The event is complementary to the "[Global Launch of the United Nations Decade of Family Farming](#)" (held in Rome 27-29 May).

FAO Key messages for HLPF & Political Declaration

FAO offers two sets of messages:

- Global message on what (problem), how (solution) and who (actors); and
- messages on specific goals under review in July.

Key messages to inform the discussions of the Political Declaration.

- WHAT: Hunger is on the rise and threatens the achievement of the 2030 Agenda. 821 million people, or 1 in 9 people worldwide, were undernourished; 1 in 3 were malnourished; 1 in 8 adults are obese and obesity is on the rise in almost every country in the world; and more than 1 in 5 children under five were stunted (2018 SOFI).
- HOW: Transforming food and agriculture systems can transform the world by promoting sustainable production and consumption, tackling environmental degradation and biodiversity loss, improving food security and nutrition outcomes and addressing food loss and water
- WHO: Rural people hold a key to sustainable development. They are the stewards of natural resources; critical agents of change, the main producers of food; and are being left behind (have limited access to water, energy, decent jobs and social protection, and are more likely to be poor).