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Side Event

Wednesday, 16 May 2012

9:00 – 10:30, King Faisal Room (D 263)

Mapping Food Security and Nutrition Actions at Country Level - The Way Forward

Overview of the side-event

As part of the efforts of Committee on World Food Security (CFS) to support improved coordination and facilitate advice to countries and regions the Committee recommended that the process to map food security and nutrition actions be considered during the FAO Regional Conferences to be held in 2012 and outcomes of the discussion be presented during the October 2012 Session of CFS¹.

The purpose of this side event is to share experiences and views on existing systems and practices related to mapping food security and nutrition actions with a view to improving their effectiveness at country level. We expect this session to have the following outcomes:

- Improved collective understanding of what is involved in mapping actions for food security and nutrition at country level and what is required to make this happen
- Have an overview of different experiences and initiatives related to food security and nutrition action mapping in the region, and globally, and discuss eventual implications for countries in the region

¹ For further details, see NERC/12/INF/13 and CFS:2011/7

- Identify needs for technical support for the development and implementation of food security and nutrition action mapping systems in the region

Following a brief presentation by the CFS Secretariat, based on specific experiences and challenges on mapping food security and nutrition actions, including the MAFSAN initiative² the floor will be given to participants to ask questions and share their views, in the form of an open discussion. The main discussion points will be the following:

- Share the key issues identified by previous CFS sessions that need to be addressed in developing and implementing food security and nutrition actions mapping, including partnerships and harmonization of methods.
- Highlight specific experiences, best practices and lessons learned with respect to these key issues that could help with setting up food security and nutrition action mapping elsewhere.

² The Mapping Actions for Food Security and Nutrition (MAFSAN) web platform has been developed by FAO in partnership with other agencies and within the context of its support to country and regional level action on food and nutrition insecurity. The platform was presented with other initiatives to the 36th and 37th Sessions of CFS as a system that focuses on food security and nutrition and could be a potential “integrator” of different systems and approaches.