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Technical Consultation: Sustainable Development Goal (SDG) Implementation in Europe and Central Asia

3 September: Session 2

- Outline -

Session 2: National Experiences in Implementing the SDGs: State of Play

Objective of the Session:

The implementation and the follow-up and review of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development is voluntary and country-led. It takes into account national realities and capacities, and respects policy structures and priorities. Four years since the adoption of the 2030 Agenda, countries have embarked on the path of implementing the SDGs. As national ownership is key to achieving sustainable development, implementation efforts and SDG strategic-, policy- and programming approaches differ from country to country. From a food and agriculture perspective, panelists will elaborate on their respective national approach to implement the SDGs, including feedback on current state of play, key priorities, lessons learnt, challenges and opportunities. Presentations will include a focus on the next steps and on the areas where possible support would be needed from FAO to accelerate national SDG implementation.

A moderated discussion will elaborate on the panel inputs and address Q&A.

Key Messages of the Panel:

- State of play of the SDG nationalization processes with regards to food and agriculture (including, identification of national SDG targets/indicators; national SDG Councils; SDG policy alignment; multi-stakeholder and inter-ministerial dialogue).
- Key experiences from a national perspective in the implementation of the SDGs in the context of food and agriculture, and progress on building on the synergies among the SDGs e.g. at the strategic, policy and programming level.
- Next steps, needs and possible support needed from FAO.

Questions for Panel

- Four years into the implementation of the 2030 Agenda, what have been the key steps undertaken by your country on SDG nationalization and implementation in the context of

- food and agriculture? Please provide a brief overview, highlighting key priorities and lessons learnt.
- In your view, what are the key challenges and opportunities brought about by the 2030 Agenda at the national level?
 - In your view, has the adoption of the 2030 Agenda brought any relevant changes in your country at the strategic, policy and programming level?
 - Do you have any suggestions as to how FAO can help support your efforts on SDG implementation?

Panelists:

- *Ms Eka Zdiadadze, Head of Policy Analysis Department, Ministry of Environmental Protection and Agriculture, Georgia*
- *Mr Ayhan Baran, Head of EU and Foreign Relations Department, Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry, Turkey*
- *Ms Lilia Afrikyan, Secretary of SDG Inter-Agency Committee, Prime Minister's Office, Armenia*
- *Mr. Voris Murodov, Head of department of population census of Agency of Statistics, Tajikistan*

Moderator: *Pytrik Dieuwke Oosterhof, Sustainable Development Consultant, FAO*

Guidance Note

- The Moderator will set the scene and introduce the panel members
- The panellists will make short opening statements (max 10 minutes – you can use a power point presentation with max 3 slides) with main highlights related to the key messages above.
- Following the opening statements, there will a moderated discussion with Q&A from the moderator and the audience.
- The session will conclude with key statements (max 5 minutes – without any power point presentation) from the panellists.