Do good save food!

Reducing food waste...starting from schools

Launch of teaching manuals for school children and young students Sheikh Zayed Centre (20 September 2018, 14:30 - 16:00)

Background

Across the globe today, large quantities of wholesome edible food are discarded from household kitchens and dining establishments.

There is increasing recognition of the need to sensitize and educate consumers particularly in urban centers, to value food and reduce food waste.

Recognizing that children and young people are the consumers that will shape the food waste scenario of the future, investing in their education to reduce food waste, will help in creating a culture of change, toward sustainably stemming the problem.



It is against this background, that FAO and the International Food Waste Coalition (IFWC) joined forces in developing the "Do Good Save Food" series of teaching manuals targeted to children of four different age groups. The manuals seek to promote awareness of the economic, social and environmental consequences of wasting food, advantages of preventing food waste, actions that children can take to reduce food waste and good habits that they can develop and introduce to their friends, families and communities to reduce food waste.

Objectives

The "Do Good Save Food" teaching manuals will be launched during a 90-minute event that will highlight the issues and seek to draw the attention of key governmental actors to the importance of investing in the future, by educating young consumers to stem the problem of food waste.

Target audience

Permanent Representatives to FAO.

The event will also be livestreamed to a wider audience.