CSM Side Event
Re-thinking and Re-shaping Food Systems through Agroecology

CFS policy convergence process on Agroecology and Food Systems & Nutrition as the key opportunity to chart the transition to a truly sustainable future

Panelists:
- Mr. Victor Suárez, Undersecretary of Agriculture, Mexico
- Ms. Iridiani Seibert, La Via Campesina, Brazil
- Ms. Molly D. Anderson, Professor, Middlebury College, USA
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The side event aims to explore how best the CFS could seize a historical opportunity and strengthen the obvious synergy between the policy convergence processes on Food Systems and Nutrition, and on Agroecology and other innovations, both to be concluded by 2020. Indeed, the CFS Food Systems and Nutrition Guidelines are the first intergovernmental negotiation to establish a food system approach to the realization of the right to food, one that recognizes the multiplicity of public objectives that food systems serve. Once the proper synergy with the Agroecology policy convergence process is established, the Guidelines may provide critical opportunities to re-affirm the multidimensional contribution of smallholder agriculture, promote agroecology and implement the UN Declaration of the Rights of peasants and concretize the combined aspirations of the UN Decade on Family Farming and the UN Decade of Action on Nutrition, with a particular emphasis on women’s rights and youth perspectives.

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