Collaborative Governance Dialogue on Financing for Food Security and Nutrition

Red room, FAO headquarters and via zoom
15 April 2025, 14.00-17.00

Provisional Agenda

Objective of the Dialogue: identify the role of the Committee on World Food Security (CFS) in promoting improved financing for food security and nutrition in the context of the progressive realization of the right to adequate food; exchange ideas about current challenges in financing for food security and nutrition; and discuss potential responses and innovative solutions to address identified challenges

1) **Opening**

- Ambassador Nosipho Nausca-Jean Jezile
  CFS Chairperson
- Introduction of the session and agenda by the moderator

2) **Financing for food security and nutrition: key challenges and recent developments**

- **Expert presentations**: Presentations will focus on establishing a shared understanding of financing for food security and nutrition in the context of the progressive realization of the right to food. They will also outline current challenges at global, national and local levels, including their root causes and recent developments in the financing for food security and nutrition.
  - Mr Jim Woodhill
    Senior Advisor
    Global Donor Platform for Rural Development
  - Mr Ruben Echeverria
    High Level Panel of Experts on Food Security and Nutrition (HLPE-FSN)

- **Reflections from CFS stakeholder groups**: CFS Member States and constituencies will share their insights and experiences regarding the challenges with regards to financing for food security and nutrition.
  - Colombia
  - Mr Ahmed Saeed Abdo Al-Wahsh
    Technical Advisor
    Ministry of Agriculture, Irrigation and Fisheries, Yemen
  - Ms Morgan Ody
    General Coordinator
    La Via Campesina France
    Civil Society and Indigenous Peoples Mechanism (CSIPM)

- Dr James Mwangi
  Group Chief Executive Officer
  Equity Bank Kenya
  Private Sector Mechanism (PSM)
- Open floor discussion

3) Potential solutions and responses

- Reflections from CFS stakeholder groups: CFS Member States and constituencies present their perspectives and experiences in using different financing instruments and/or solutions.
  - His Excellency Ibrahim Assane Mayaki
    Special Envoy for Food Systems
    African Union
  - Mr Bruce Campbell
    Co-chair
    Global Donor Platform for Rural Development
  - Mr Robson Lopes
    General Coordinator of Rural Production Financing
    Ministry of Rural Development and Family Farming, Brazil
  - Ms Lauren Baker
    Representative of the Philanthropic Foundations Mechanism (PFM)
- Q&A segment

- Expert presentations: Presentations will explore various potential solutions and responses to the identified challenges, such as improving access to financing for smallholder farmers, optimizing domestic financial resources, mobilizing private investments, and innovative financing instruments.
  - Mr Michael Fakhri
    UN Special Rapporteur on the Right to Food
  - Mr Nuno Santos
    Deputy Director
    Investment Center
    Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO)
  - International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD)

- Mr Ibrahima Coulibaly
  President
  Pan African Farmers Organization (PAFO)
- Ms Natasha Hayward
  Global Lead
  Food and Nutrition Security
  World Bank

4) Discussion about the role of CFS in financing for food security and nutrition

- Moderated discussion focusing on how CFS can strengthen the coordination of global policy responses to improve financing for food security and nutrition, including how the CFS can engage with other global initiatives such as the FFD4
- Summary by moderator

5) Closing

- CFS Chairperson closing remarks
- Moderator summary and closing of the meeting