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Side event 12 | Achieving Gender Equality, Food Security and Nutrition: Multi-Stakeholder Initiatives and Approaches

Organized by:

- World Food Programme (WFP)
- International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD)
- UN Women
- Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO)
- Department for International Partnerships (DG INTPA), European Commission
- Togo
- The German Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ)

Tuesday, 24 October; 13.30 – 14.45 (UTC+2)
Iran Room & via Zoom

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Abstract

Advancing gender equality and women's and girls' empowerment (GEWGE) is intrinsically linked to achieving food security and nutrition (FSN). This side event will share good practices and evidence-based learning from the UN Joint Programme on Rural Women's Economic Empowerment (JP RWEE) and the GIZ global programme on Food Security, Nutrition and Enhanced Resilience.

The event will highlight how the use of integrated multi-stakeholder interventions have been effective in tackling systemic barriers to gender equality and women's empowerment. Learning to be shared will include the use of gender transformative approaches, gender sensitive indicators and tools for measuring improvements in women's nutrition and women's empowerment in agriculture. The good practices to be shared are highly relevant to the operationalization of the CFS Voluntary Guidelines on Gender Equality and Women and Girl's Empowerment and to the findings of the newly published FAO report on The Status of Women in Agrifood Systems (2023). Learning on the use of the Minimum Dietary Diversity for Women indicator (MDD-W) will be presented, along with advocacy for the integration of the MDD-W into SDG monitoring to enable global data collection and comparison. The event will involve high-level speakers from Sweden and the EC, and programme practitioners from Nepal, Rwanda and Togo.

Objectives

- Share good practices and learning in holistic rural women's economic empowerment in the context of food security and nutrition;
- Demonstrate the effectiveness of multi-stakeholder partnerships in improving food security and nutrition and advancing gender equality and women's empowerment, in line with recommendations outlined in the CFS Voluntary Guidelines on GEWE;
- Share evidence on the MDD-W indicator, gender transformative approaches and tools for measuring women's empowerment in agriculture.



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