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21-25 OCTOBER 2024
Side Event

Thursday, 24 October
13:30-14:45 Red Room
English, French, Spanish

SE28: Right to Food and conflicts – Implementing human rights based monitoring and global coordination

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Organized by: CSIPM; UN Special Rapporteur on the Right to Food; Office of the UN High Commissioner for Human Rights – OHCHR

Description

Famine, starvation, and severe food crises during situations of conflict, occupation, war and protracted crises represent profound violations of the Right to Food and Nutrition (RtFN) and failures to address them at international level. The formation of these crises and their persistence is often due to systemic impunity under existing laws. The Integrated Food Security Phase Classification (IPC) and other early warning systems provide essential technical analysis but often don't take a human rights approach in doing so and don't address the diverse contexts and root causes of food crises, neglecting community's rights, resilience and local relationships with land and resources.

This side event seeks to utilize the convening power of the CFS, as the foremost intergovernmental platform to achieve global food security based on the right to food, to foster a different conversation around food crises that goes beyond technical measurements and into better understanding the contexts in which these crises emerge, and valorizing the evidence of people on the ground. It aims to also explore how political will and accountability can be mobilized within international bodies to ensure timely and effective aid reaches affected populations and propose strategies to enhance responsiveness and inclusivity in crisis response efforts. Participants will engage in a dialogue to share their perspectives and context, and discuss the needed role of the CFS in upholding and producing responses which are embedded in a holistic, human rights-based framework, in particular the use and implementation of the Framework For Action for Food Insecurity in Protracted Crises (CFS-FFA).