



Global Panel
on Agriculture
and Food Systems
for Nutrition

Title: Climate-Smart Food Systems for Enhanced Nutrition

Saturday, December 5
10:00 - 11:30

Salle 2 Africa Pavilion

In response to climate change, how can agriculture and food system policies improve nutrition in Africa?

Achieving food security and improved nutrition (undernutrition *and* obesity) for countries impacted by the harmful effects of climate change requires commitment and action at all policy levels. Climate-smart agriculture must consider options for investments through a nutrition and diet quality lens.

Malnutrition in all its forms is already undermining the health and economic opportunities of 1 in 4 people in Africa, having ripple effects beyond affected individuals to society as a whole. Sub-Saharan Africa and South Asia face the prospect of the most serious impacts of climate change. These regions already have the highest burdens of malnutrition and the greatest reliance on agriculture.

As diets are fast changing, it is becoming critical to better manage food systems in the context of climate change. Urgent policy action is needed to link food system resilience with higher quality diets and nutrition.

This side event will explore the policies needed to achieve food and nutrition security under climate change, including ensuring that agriculture and food systems deliver high quality diets. The global panel will present its vision on how this can be achieved.

John Kufuor, former President of Ghana, Rachel Kyte, World Bank Group's Vice President and Special Envoy for Climate Change, and Srinath Reddy, President of Public Health Foundation of India, will represent the Global Panel on Agriculture and Food Systems for Nutrition at COP21.