

LAUNCH

THE STATE OF FOOD SECURITY AND NUTRITION IN THE WORLD ECOSOC HLPF SPECIAL EVENT

2020

MONDAY, 13 JULY 2020 | Virtual event | 10.00 am – 01.00 pm (EDT)

The special event will launch **2020 The State of Food Security and Nutrition in the World: Transforming food systems for affordable healthy diets**. The report contains the most recent and authoritative estimates of the extent of hunger, food insecurity, and malnutrition in all its forms around the world.

Is the world on track to achieve Zero Hunger?

As the 2030 deadline looms, *The State of Food Security and Nutrition in the World* gauges whether #ZeroHunger remains achievable. It tracks countries performance and trajectory to offer a tiered assessment of the likelihood of success.

What's new?

- Higher level of accuracy of the hunger estimates thanks to the availability of fresh data, including new population figures, new food balance sheets and updated household survey data for a range of populous countries, including China.
- Projections of what the number of undernourished people and several nutrition indicators may look like by 2030 under a continuation of recent trends.
- Preliminary assessment of COVID-19's impact on food security, based on recent global economic outlooks.
- In-depth analysis of the cost and affordability of healthy diets around the world and the ability of food systems to deliver quality diets to the poorest and the most vulnerable.
- Policy recommendations to transform current food systems to deliver affordable healthy diets for all.

The event is organized by the report's authors, **FAO, IFAD, UNICEF, WFP and WHO**, and can be followed in all official UN languages.

Previous editions of the SOFI report are available [here](#).

Follow the event live via webcast [here](#). The event will also be on <http://webtv.un.org/live/>

Agenda

Lana Wong ([Moderate the Panel](#))

OPENING

| 10.00 AM |

Curtain Raiser Video

Mona Juul, Host and President of the United Nations Economic and Social Council

Tijjani Muhammad-Bande, President of the 74th Session of the UN General Assembly

Thanawat Tiensin, Chairperson of The Committee on World Food Security (CFS) and Permanent Representative of the Kingdom of Thailand to FAO, IFAD & WFP

Video message from António Guterres, Secretary-General of the United Nations

PARTNERS STATEMENTS

| 10.25 AM |

QU Dongyu, Director-General, FAO

Gilbert F. Hounbo, President, IFAD

Henrietta H. Fore, Executive Director, UNICEF

David Beasley, Executive Director, WFP

Naoko Yamamoto, Assistant Director-General, UHC/Healthier Populations, WHO

SETTING THE SCENE

| 10.40 AM |

Máximo Torero Cullen, FAO Chief Economist and Assistant Director-General for Economic and Social Department

HIGH-LEVEL PANEL WITH PARTNERS

| 10.50 AM |

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Q&A SEGMENT

| 11.50 AM |

Questions and interventions from the floor

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