

LAUNCH

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

2021

MONDAY, 12 JULY 2021 | Virtual event | 10.00 am - 12.00 pm (EDT)

The State of Food Security and Nutrition in the World 2021 (SOFI 2021) report presents the first evidence-based global assessment of chronic food insecurity in the year the COVID-19 pandemic emerged and spread across the globe.

The SOFI 2021 report will also focus on complementary food system solutions that address the key drivers of food insecurity and malnutrition – conflict, climate variability and extremes, economic slowdowns and downturns, and COVID-19 – and that ensure access to affordable healthy diets for all. It will look in-depth at six transformative pathways to achieve this, drawing upon best practices and lessons learned from around the world.

Is the world on track to achieve Zero Hunger?

Well before the COVID-19 pandemic, the world was already not on track to ending world hunger and malnutrition in all its forms by 2030. The COVID-19 pandemic, and the measures to restrain it have dramatically magnified and increased these challenges. We are now at a critical moment in time that requires new food system approaches and urgent actions at scale to get back on track towards achieving SDG-2 and other SDGs.

What's new?

- The first comprehensive assessment of the state of hunger and food insecurity for 2020 based on fresh data collected around the world in a year heavily impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic.
- Projections of what the number of undernourished people may look like in 2030 that attempt to account for the estimated impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on hunger in 2020 and the projected economic recovery in 2021.
- Updated estimates for several nutrition indicators and projections to 2030.
- Updated estimates of the cost and affordability of a healthy diet.
- Synthesis understanding of the major drivers behind the global food security and nutrition trends, but framed around food systems thinking.

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](#).

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Agenda

Moderator: [Lana Wong](#) ([Moderate The Panel](#))

OPENING

| 10.00 AM |

Curtain Raiser Video (3')

[Munir Akram](#), Host and President of the United Nations Economic and Social Council

[QU Dongyu](#), Director-General, FAO

[Henrietta H. Fore](#), Executive Director, UNICEF

[David Beasley](#), Executive Director, WFP

[Zsuzsanna Jakab](#), Deputy Director-General, WHO

[Dominik Ziller](#), Vice-President, IFAD

2021 UN FOOD SYSTEMS SUMMIT VISION

| 10.35 AM |

[Agnes Kalibata](#), Special Envoy of the UN Secretary-General for the 2021 UN Food Systems Summit

SETTING THE SCENE

| 10.40 AM |

[Máximo Torero Cullen](#), FAO Chief-Economist

MEMBERS' SEGMENT

| 11.20 AM |

Interventions from the floor

CLOSING

| 11.57 AM |

Moderator closes the event

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