



FOOD SYSTEMS SOLUTIONS DIALOGUES 2026

*Data and technology to inform policy development and monitoring
across national food systems priorities*

Wednesday, 17 June 2026 | Virtual

Session I 8:00 - 9:30 AM CEST | English, Arabic, Chinese, Russian

Session II - 16:00 - 17:30 CEST | English, French, Spanish

Background

The UN Food Systems Coordination Hub hosts virtual Food Systems Solutions Dialogues (FSSDs) as a collaborative platform for National Convenors and food systems stakeholders to discuss and exchange experiences, reflect on challenges, and advance practical solutions for sustainable food systems transformation. The dialogues build upon the global commitments and outcomes of the UN Food Systems Summit +4 Stocktake and the Secretary-General's Call to Action, empowering National Convenors to develop coordinated and actionable strategies for the implementation of national pathways. The Dialogues facilitate technical deep dives, peer exchanges, and country-led reflections on challenges and opportunities and aim at strengthening the operational capacity of National Convenors as they drive forward their countries' food systems agendas.

Purpose of the Dialogue

This Dialogue will explore how countries can practically use data and technology to design, track, and course-correct food systems policies in line with national priorities and global commitments. Moving beyond conceptual discussions, the session will surface concrete use cases of how integrated data platforms, digital dashboards, early warning systems, modelling tools, and monitoring frameworks are already shaping decision-making across food systems. Drawing on initiatives such as the Food Systems Countdown Initiative, UNDP MEL frameworks and the Joint SDG Fund, the dialogue will examine how diverse data sources can be translated into actionable intelligence for policymakers. The session will explore how these tools are being used to set and prioritize food systems policy targets, monitor implementation progress and trade-offs, identify risks and inequalities, and strengthen accountability and adaptive policy responses. The session will facilitate cross-country learning on data governance, including institutional arrangements, interoperability, and partnerships that enable trusted, timely and policy-relevant data use. The session aims to support National Convenors in leveraging data and technology as strategic assets for coherent planning, accountability and adaptive policymaking.

Agenda

Time	Session
3 min	<p>Welcome and opening remarks</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ms Lara BlancoRothe, Deputy Director, UN Food Systems Coordination Hub
30 min	<p>Setting the scene: Panel of stakeholders</p> <p>AM session:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ms Bianca Carducci, Nutrition Scientist at Food Systems Countdown Initiative: update on roll out of the FSCI at country level H.E. Sok Silo, Secretary-General, Council for Agricultural and Rural Development and National Convenor, Cambodia to share insights about the roll-out of the FSCI at country level Mr Xoan Fernandez, Global Innovation Advisor, UNDP on the UNDP MEL Systems Initiative Ms Adriana HerreraMoreno, Secretary, Committee on World Food Security (CFS) <p>PM session:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ms Bianca Carducci, Nutrition Scientist at Food Systems Countdown Initiative Food Systems Countdown Initiative: update on roll out of the FSCI at country level Ms Paulina S. Addy, Director, Women in Agricultural Development Directorate, Ministry of Food and Agriculture, Ghana Ms Andrea Estrella, Systems Monitoring, Evaluation and Learning (MEL) and Capacity Building Advisor for UNDP's Food Systems Team on the UNDP MEL Systems Initiative Prof. Anas A. Al-Nabulsi, Chairperson, Committee on World Food Security (CFS) <p>Moderators:</p> <p>Ms Mia Madsen, Policy Officer, UN Food Systems Coordination Hub (AM session)</p> <p>Mr Themban Malapela, Knowledge Management Officer, UN Food Systems Coordination Hub (PM session)</p>
45 min	<p>Dialogue with National Convenors</p> <p><u>Guiding questions:</u></p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How is your country using data and technology to inform food systems policymaking, prioritization, and monitoring across national pathways? • What practical approaches have helped strengthen coordination and data-sharing across ministries, institutions, and stakeholders involved in food systems transformation? • What are some of the main challenges you face in improving the collection, coordination, sharing, and use of food systems data for policymaking and monitoring?
10 min	Reflections from the panelists
2 min	Closing remarks