

## Food Systems Solutions Webinars 2023

### *Innovating for Sustainable Food Systems Transformations: scaling success stories beyond technology*

23 November 2023, 15:00 – 16:00 (CET), Zoom

#### Background

Since its establishment in April 2022, the UN Food Systems Coordination Hub has convened multiple virtual dialogues to facilitate peer learning on transforming food systems. These dialogues have witnessed active engagement from National Convenors and various stakeholders within the food system, who have expressed the need to expand the topics and thematic areas discussed. In a bid to foster knowledge diffusion and enhance science-policy interfaces, the Hub has scheduled a series of four Food Systems Solutions Webinars (FSS Webinars) for 2023. The last webinar will take place on 23 November 2023, on the Zoom platform.

#### Purpose of the Webinar

Innovation is more than just technological advancements; it involves a holistic approach encompassing social, economic, institutional, behavioural, organizational, and process-oriented factors supporting integrative policies, sustainable financing, and innovative business models. This webinar will showcase successful examples of how a broader understanding of innovation can contribute to equitable and sustainable food systems transformation. The webinar will highlight how different types of innovations, beyond technology, can facilitate the transformation of food systems towards sustainability. The speakers will share success stories demonstrating how innovative solutions can improve social, economic, and environmental outcomes. Participants will gain insights into how they can apply a comprehensive innovation approach to their food system initiatives and contribute to advancing equitable and sustainable food systems transformation.

#### Agenda

Time	Item
10 min	<b>Opening:</b> Vincent Jean Martin, Director, Office of Innovation, FAO
30 min	<p><b>Panel discussion: moderator:</b> Vincent Jean Martin, Director, Office of Innovation, FAO</p> <p><b>Speakers:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Gladys H. Morales, Senior Officer, Global Head of Innovation, IFAD</li> <li>- Vivien Bodereau, Mission Lead Net-Zero Food Systems, EIT Food</li> <li>- Emmastella Gakuo, Co-Founder and Chief Innovation Officer, Savanna Circuit</li> </ul> <p><b>Questions guiding the discussion:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>How innovation in food systems can play a pivotal role in changing policies and standards?</i></li> <li>• <i>Is innovation accessible to all?</i></li> <li>• <i>How non-technological innovation can accelerate transforming food systems?</i></li> </ul>
15 min	<b>Q&amp;A</b> with participants
5 min	<b>Closing:</b> Sylvia Ekra, Deputy Director, UN Food Systems Coordination Hub

#### Zoom link:

<https://cutt.ly/FSSW23NOV23> (English language)