



# Preparatory Meeting of the 2023 Food Systems Stocktaking Moment - Transforming Food Systems in Asia and the Pacific: A Regional Stocktake

**Associated Event: 10th Asia-Pacific Forum for Sustainable Development**

30 March 2023, 9:00-17:30 GMT+7

UNCC Conference Room 4, Bangkok and online

## Organizers

The United Nations Food Systems Coordination Hub and the United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (ESCAP)

## Registration

**In person participation:** Please register on Indico which is mandatory for accessing the venue. Please follow this link <https://indico.un.org/event/1003108/> and (1) create an Indico account with your own selected passwords; (2) sign in to your account and select the 3<sup>rd</sup> option "registration for others"; (4) fill in your representation type as Special Guests; (5) fill in your personal data; and (5) scroll down to the Associate Events section and select "Transforming Food Systems in Asia and the Pacific: A Regional Stocktake"; (6) click "apply".

**Online participation:** Please register on Zoom via this link: <https://zoom.us/j/92800577842>

## Background

Food systems play a key role in supporting countries to achieve all the Sustainable Development Goals. Following the 2021 Food Systems Summit, the UN Secretary General has committed to convene "a global stock-taking meeting every two years to review progress in implementing the outcomes of this process and its contributions to the achievement of the 2030 Agenda. The first of the global Food Systems Stock-Taking Moments will be organized in July 2023 in Rome, Italy.

As part of the preparations for the Stock-taking moment, the UN Food Systems Coordination Hub, ESCAP, and other UN Agencies will convene an **Asia-Pacific Regional Preparatory Meeting on 30 March 2023 at the United Nations Conference Centre in Bangkok, Thailand**, taking place on the margins of the Asia-Pacific Forum for Sustainable Development (APFSD). The Regional Preparatory Meeting will bring together National Convenors from Asia and the Pacific, UN Resident Coordinators and members of UN Country Teams, and other relevant stakeholders to discuss national and regional progress on food system transformations including the identification of best practices, bottlenecks, and capacity needs.

## Participants

Attendance will include National Convenors from Asia-Pacific countries and other regional bodies, civil society and private sector representatives, the academia, and other stakeholders as well as UN regional bodies and Country Teams.

## Expected Outcomes

The Regional meeting will serve as a platform for the sharing of experiences, good practices, and lessons learned in National Convenors' efforts to follow-up to the Summit including through the operationalization and implementation of their National Pathways. In addition, participants will identify priority actions and key messages for the region to be synthesized in the form of a short document, to drive actions towards accelerated transformation of food systems for the implementation of the 2030 Agenda. The key messages will serve as the collective regional input to the 2023 Stocktaking Moment.

## Programme

Time	Session	Description
9:00-9:30	<b>Opening</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Welcome and opening remarks</li> </ul>
9:30-10:50	<b>Recipe for Success</b> Roundtables	<b>Food Systems Transformation as SDGs Accelerator - Country Progress and Good Practices</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Keynote address (setting the stage)</li> <li>Panel roundtables with national Convenors on good practices and lesson learnt on the implementation of national food system transformation pathways and key results supporting the SDGs</li> <li>Comments and questions</li> </ul>
10:50-11:10 Coffee Break		
11:10-12:30	<b>Lands of opportunities</b> Interactive discussion	<b>Food System Transformation - "what do we need to do next"</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Presentation on regional food systems challenges and opportunities</li> <li>Break out group discussion among national Convenors and stakeholders on challenges, progress, and best practices in building healthy, sustainable, inclusive and resilient food systems</li> </ul>
12:30-14:00 Lunch and Networking Break		
14:00-15:00	<b>Spicing up</b> Presentations & discussion	<b>Financing Food Systems Transformations</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Presentation from the International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD)</li> <li>Presentation the World Bank</li> <li>Presentation from Asia Development Bank (ADB) (TbC)</li> </ul>
15:00-15:20 Coffee Break		
15:20-17:10	<b>A Seat at the Table</b> Moderated discussion	<b>Regional Messages</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Moderated exchange on outcomes and regional messages to be submitted to the Food Systems Stock-Taking Moment</li> </ul>
17:10-17:30	<b>Closing</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Next steps towards the global Food Systems Stock-Taking Moment</li> <li>Closing remarks</li> </ul>

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