



## **Food Systems Summit Independent Dialogue - Financing the transition towards inclusive, sustainable food systems: the role of Public Development Banks**

*17 March 2021, 13:30 - 15:30 CET*

**Dialogue convenors:** International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD), Finance in Common  
**Dialogue curator:** Smallholder and Agri-SME Finance and Investment Network (SAFIN)

### **AGENDA**

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| 13:30         | <b>Welcome</b> , Bettina Prato, Senior Coordinator, SAFIN   |
| 13:34 – 13:38 | <b>Opening Remarks</b> , Dr Johan Swinnen, Director-General, International Food Policy Research Institute (IFPRI)   |
| 13:40 – 13:43 | <b>Positioning Public Development Banks to deliver on the global goals – the year ahead</b> , Antonella Baldino, Chief International Development Finance Officer, Cassa Depositi e Prestiti (CDP)   |
| 13:45 – 14:15 | <p><b>Panel discussion: <i>Making PDBs “fit for purpose” for investment in food system transformation: where are the game-changers?</i></b></p> <p>Moderated by Nancy Lee, Senior Policy Fellow, CGD</p> <p>Panellists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Alvaro Lario, Associate Vice President, Financial Operations Department, IFAD</li> <li>• Alan Elizondo Flores, Director General, FIRA</li> <li>• Panos Varangis, Global Lead, Agricultural Finance and Insurance, Finance, Competitiveness &amp; Innovation, IFC</li> <li>• Mariem Dkhil, Director of Sustainable Development Financing, Groupe Crédit Agricole du Maroc (GCAM)</li> </ul> |
| 14:15 – 15:05 | <p><b>Break-out discussions – finding the game-changers:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mobilizing sustainable investment capital from the market: PDBs as issuers of “green” investment products for agriculture</li> <li>• Sustainable models to reach last mile rural financial clients</li> <li>• Digitally-enabled innovations for increased PDB sustainability and outreach across food systems</li> <li>• Aligning the financial ecosystem for food system transformation: effective partnership models</li> </ul>   |
| 15:05 – 15:10 | Re-convene to plenary   |
| 15:10 – 15:25 | <b>Reporting back on game-changer proposals:</b> What was the proposal? How can we measure success? How can participants contribute to realize it?  |
| 15:25 – 15:28 | <b>Way forward</b> , Dr Martin Frick, Deputy to the Special Envoy for the UN Food Systems Summit  |
| 15:28 – 15:30 | <b>Closing</b> , Bettina Prato, Senior Coordinator, SAFIN   |