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## Food Systems: Harnessing nutrition co-benefits of climate resilient agriculture

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In WCDI she is a focal point of the Fostering Lifelong Learning programme. This programme focus on lifelong learning for professionals and institutes with the aim to enhance their capacities and leadership skills for sustainable and inclusive food system transformation.



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**Jessica Fanzo, PhD** is the Bloomberg Distinguished Professor of Global Food Policy and Ethics at the Johns Hopkins University in the USA. She holds appointments in the Berman Institute of Bioethics, the Bloomberg School of Public Health, and the Nitze School of Advanced International Studies (SAIS). She serves as the Director of Hopkins' Global Food Policy and Ethics Program, and as Director of Food & Nutrition Security at Hopkins' Alliance for a Healthier World. She is the Editor-in-Chief for the Global Food Security Journal and leads the Food Systems Dashboard, in collaboration with GAIN. From 2017 to 2021, Jessica served on the Food Systems Economic Commission, the Expert Panel for the Cornell Atkinson Center's Socio-Technical Innovation Bundles for Agri-Food Systems Transformation report, the Global Panel of Agriculture and Food Systems for Nutrition Foresight 2.0 report, the UN High-Level Panel of Experts on Food Systems and Nutrition, and the EAT-Lancet Commission.

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**Abdoulaye Ka** Abdoulaye Ka is Executive Secretary at the National Council for Nutrition Development - General Secretary, Government of Senegal. He is a public health and social development specialist with over 20 years of experience with maternal and child health and nutrition programming for governmental and non-governmental organizations in Senegal. He is leading the team that is facilitating the nutrition policy reforms that, among others, has led to the creation of the National Nutrition Coordination Committee (CLM) in 2001, the National Council for Nutrition Development in 2020 and a national nutrition program (PRN).

At the global level, Mr. Ka has also acted as an ardent champion for nutrition and currently is member of the SUN Movement Executive Committee.

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**Esther Koopmanschap** is working for Wageningen Centre for Development Innovation (WCDI), part of Wageningen University & Research, for the past 20 years. Esther is specialized in facilitating institutional change (often including multi-stakeholder planning processes) and learning trajectories in the field of Water, Food and Environment. She has extensive experience in guiding sector transformation, strategy development and facilitating institutional change.

In WCDI she leads the cluster 'Climate in Action'. The cluster aims at bringing knowledge into action by finding innovative solutions for the most pressing challenges facing food systems, agriculture and nature today.

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**Joyce Njoro**, works at IFAD as the Lead Technical Specialist – Nutrition and Social Inclusion. She leads efforts to mainstream nutrition in IFAD’s operations and non lending activities such as policy engagement, capacity building and knowledge management. Joyce has extensive experience in multi-sectoral nutrition governance; designing frameworks and policies, multi-sectoral coordination, and mainstreaming of nutrition in key sectors especially; Health, Agriculture and Education. She has also immense experience in rural development and community based approaches. Prior to joining IFAD, she worked in various capacities at global, regional and country level for the Renewed Efforts Against Child Hunger (REACH).

Joyce holds a Masters in Rural Sociology and Community Development and a Bachelor of Veterinary Medicine degree, both from the University of Nairobi.

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**Jyotsna Puri** is the Director of the Environment, Climate Gender, Youth, Nutrition and Social Inclusion Division (ECG) at IFAD. She leads the team that is responsible for evidence-informed advice on programme designs and implementation, contributing to resource mobilization, and supporting IFAD's global remit in providing state-of the art policy advice related to these topics. ECG is also responsible for ensuring that IFADs programmes build in social, environmental and climate safeguards while ensuring that IFAD's investments generate benefits in these areas.

Puri has worked previously at the Green Climate Fund, 3ie, UNEP, the World Bank and UNDP. She is also adjunct associate professor at Columbia University, New York where she was also a research scientist. She has published in many academic journals and written for newspapers and provided advice as a board member to several development organizations. She holds a PhD and MSc in Agriculture and Resource Economics and an MA in Development Economics. She is a national of India.



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**Dina Saleh** is the Regional Director of the Near East, North Africa and Europe Division (NEN) in IFAD. Before that, she was based in Cairo leading the IFAD's Middle East and North Africa Hub as Sub-Regional Director. Ms. Saleh has over 20 years international experience in development projects and programs in Eastern Europe, the Middle East, and North Africa, Sub-Saharan Africa, and Asia. She also served as the Regional Portfolio Adviser for the Near East, North Africa and Europe Division. Prior to joining IFAD in 2007,

Ms. Saleh worked at the United Nations Office for Project Services in Nairobi, Tunis and Rome and with private sector companies.

She holds an MSc from the University of London in Development Finance and a Bachelor's degree in Business Administration from United States International University.



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**John Ulimwengu** is a senior research fellow at the International Food Policy Research Institute (IFPRI). Dr. Ulimwengu holds a Ph.D. in Agricultural Economics and Master in Economics from Ohio State University (USA), and Master in Development Economics from Williams College (USA). His research interests include poverty dynamics, agricultural productivity and rural development. Since 2007, Dr. Ulimwengu is involved in strategic research on the transformation of agricultural sector in Africa under the Comprehensive Africa Agriculture Development Program (CAADP) agenda. He is currently the Africa wide coordinator of the Regional Strategic Analysis and Knowledge Support System (ReSAKSS, [www.resakss.org](http://www.resakss.org)).

He has published in journals such as Environmental and Resource Economics, Journal of Agricultural Economics, Oxford Economic Papers and American Journal of Agricultural Economics.

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**Lotte Wouters** is a food entrepreneur based in Ghana. In 2012 she founded The Food Line-up, Holland's biggest sustainable catering company. In 2019 Lotte founded Food Tribe Agency in Ghana – promoting African food culture and initiated the Ghana Food Movement (GFM). GFM is a unique grassroots platform where young pioneers throughout the food and agro chain come together, collaborate and speed up transition for a healthy and sustainable food future.

For the last 12 years Lotte has been connecting diverse food system actors and inspiring them to act. Her entry point to change a food system is to start at the end of the chain. With consumers, chefs, nutritionists and influencers. She specializes in marketing and communication and curating programs and networks.