

SIDE EVENT

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13:15 - 14:45

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SUSTAINABLE AGRICULTURE, FOOD SECURITY AND CLIMATE CHANGE

How can climate-smart approaches help to
build resilience in food security and agriculture?

The threat posed by climate change on food security, nutrition and agriculture calls for urgent action to strengthen the resilience of people, livelihoods and ecosystems.

There are many best practices demonstrating that it is possible to jointly address the challenges of building resilience, enhancing adaptation and increasing agricultural productivity and farmers' incomes. Often these practices also generate mitigation co-benefits.

This event provides a dialogue around three key questions with a panel of representatives from countries, civil society and research centers. It will showcase climate-smart approaches and discuss concrete steps to build the resilience of poor communities who depend on agriculture, fisheries and forestry for their livelihoods. Particular attention will be given to programme, policy and financial mechanisms that support the transition to resilient, climate-smart systems.



AGENDA

13:15 Welcoming by Alexander Mueller, Assistant Director-General, FAO

13:25 Moderated panel discussion around three questions:

- How can climate-smart approaches be used to build resilience in food security and agriculture?
- What are the barriers to scaling-up climate-smart practices, and how can they be overcome?
- How can the poorest and most vulnerable benefit from climate-smart approaches?

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14:00 Dialogue with the audience

14:30 Wrap up and closing, including short remarks from the partner agencies