

Reducing food losses and waste to enhance food security and nutrition

Sharing experiences, discussing policies

16 September 2015 – Rome, FAO HQ - Iran Room (10.00-12.30)

Opening (10.00 – 10.15)

- ✓ H.E. Pierfrancesco Sacco, PR Italy
- ✓ H.E. Majid Dehghan Shoar, PR Iran/Chair of G-77 & China
- ✓ Ren Wang, ADG - AGP, FAO

Session 1 - Food losses: the role of technical innovation (10.15 - 11.15)

Chair: Silvia Gaiani, University of Bologna, UNIBO

- ✓ *Food loss and waste reduction through innovation and networking strategies in Costa Rica.* Luis Fernando Ceciliano, Alternate Permanent Representative of Costa Rica/Representative Group of 77.
- ✓ *Reduction of food waste and losses: A global priority with environmental, social and economic impact.* Karl Schebesta, Chief of the Food System Unit in UNIDO's Agribusiness Development Branch

Open discussion

Session 2 – The nexus between food waste and food security and nutrition (11.15 - 12.15)

Chair: Eugenia Serova, Director AGSD, FAO

- ✓ *The impact of food (loss and) waste reduction on food security and nutrition.* Robert Van Otterdijk, Agro-Industry Officer, Global Initiative on Food Loss and Waste Reduction, FAO
- ✓ *Food waste and food security: a focus on Italy.* Andrea Segrè, Professor of International Agricultural and Food Policy, Alma Mater Studiorum – University of Bologna UNIBO – Italy, President of the Technical - Scientific Committee for the Italian Food Waste Prevention Plan
- ✓ *EU initiatives to fight food waste.* Florence Buchholzer, Minister Counsellor EU Delegation.

Open discussion

Conclusions

- ✓ Gian Luca Galletti, Minister of Environment of Italy

Refreshment will be served (12.30)

Organization: Permanent Representation of Italy to UN, Permanent Representation of the Islamic Republic of Iran to FAO and Chair of G-77 & China, UNIBO

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Key references

FAO (2011), Global food losses and food waste - Extent, causes and prevention. Rome.

FAO (2014), Definitional framework of food loss, Rome.

FAO (2014), HLPE report - Food losses and waste in the context of sustainable food systems, Rome.