



SIDE EVENT: STRENGTHENING URBAN-RURAL LINKAGES TO REDUCE SPATIAL INEQUALITY AND POVERTY BY LEVERAGING SUSTAINABLE FOOD SYSTEMS ACTIONS

Date

Thursday, 30 May 2019
18:00 - 19:30

Venue

Conference room 8
UN Gigiri compound, Nairobi

Description

The side event will present new implementation efforts to strengthen urban rural linkages in relation to global normative agendas and showcase selected national and subnational experiences addressing inequality and poverty through integrated actions on sustainable food systems. The importance of integrating urban and rural development together, in fact helping urban-rural relations become more equal, more inclusive and balanced, underlies the SDG 11.a target and related provisions in the New Urban Agenda. These provisions call for urban and territorial planning solutions across the urban-rural continuum (across administrative boundaries; government levels; sectors and including all relevant actors). Speakers addressing these perspectives will highlight solutions for supporting governments at all levels on sustainable food systems aiming at addressing food insecurity and malnutrition while protecting biodiversity and responding to challenges posed by climate change (among others); towards reducing spatial inequalities in the urban-rural continuum. Speakers from national and local governments, UN agencies and Civil Society Organizations and City Networks are collaborating in multi-sector, multi-level approaches to support innovations at local and subnational levels through new inclusive food governance mechanisms that bring urban and rural together.

The event will focus on reducing the spatial inequalities in the urban-rural continuum through strengthening the linkage between urban and rural areas. Some of the linkages that will be discussed during the forum include food systems, biodiversity, climate change and others that are relevant for prosperity in both city and regions.

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Format

Short presentations and interactive discussions

Moderator

Tito Arunga, FAO, Kenya

Dr. Remy Sietchiping, Unit Leader, Regional and Metropolitan Planning Unit, UN-Habitat

Speakers

Ibrahim Camara, National Representative (Guinea)

Larry Wambua, Subnational Representative (Nairobi County, Kenya)

Diana Lee Smith, Mazingira Institute, Nairobi

Jorge Fonseca, FAO

Carmen G., Catalanian agency of cooperation, sub-national government representative (Spain)

Edlam Yemeru, UNECA

Martina Otto, UN Environment

Stephen Otieno, C40 city network

Oliver Hillel, CBD

Daniel Günther, Deputy Head of Division BMZ

Co-organisers

UN-Habitat; FAO; BMZ

Partners

CBD, UN Environment, UNSCN, OECD, GIZ, CIRAD, RIMISP, nrg4SD, Mazingira institute, RIKOLTO, C40 city network, GAIN

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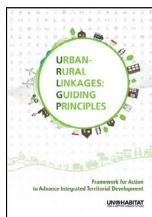
Event	Date	Time	Venue
Side event: Shaping the Pathway Towards a Future of Smart Cities: Closing the Infrastructure Gap	Monday, 27 May	13:15 - 14:45	Conference room 11
Innovation in Metropolitan Management: the Pyramid of Metropolitan Management Tool	Thursday, 30 May	13:00 - 13:45	Press Room
Side event: Land markets in peri-urban areas: the role of land governance for sustainable urban growth in Sub-Saharan Africa	Thursday, 30 May	13:15 - 14:45	Classroom 6

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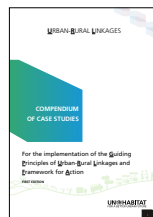
RELEVANT PUBLICATIONS



Implementing the new Urban Agenda by strengthening Urban-Rural Linkages



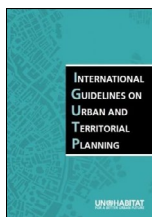
Urban-Rural Linkages: Guiding Principles Framework for Action to Advance Integrated Territorial Development



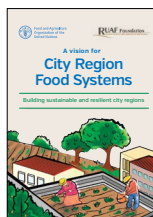
Compendium of Case Studies. For the implementation of the Guiding Principles of Urban-Rural Linkages and Framework for Action



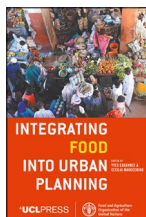
Regional Development Dialogue, Vol. 35, 2014, United Nations Centre for Regional Development



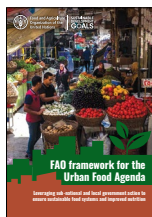
International Guidelines on Urban and Territorial Planning



A vision for City Region Food Systems



Integrating Food into Urban Planning



FAO framework for the Urban Food Agenda



Global Food Policy Report 2017

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