

International web-consultation and conference

MULTIDIMENSIONAL RESILIENCE SMALLHOLDER PRODUCERS AND FARMERS MANAGING RISKS

SAVE THE DATE!

Timing: 11 June 2020, 9:00-13:30 (CEST)
Place: ZOOM

How to ensure resilience of smallholder production systems in times of crisis?

How do forest and farm producer organizations maintain functionality during and after disturbances, and mitigate potential losses in smallholder value-chains?

What is the current and future capacity of FFPOs to respond to climate hazards and non-climate stresses such as Covid-19 pandemic?

In the face of COVID-19 smallholder farmers and forest producers face the challenge of how to balance between short term shocks and longer-term risks such as climate change. One of the impacts of the COVID-19 crisis is the disruption of agricultural and forestry supply chains and a re-shuffling of actors. These critical issues will be discussed in an international web-conference, organised on the 11th of June 2020. The event is hosted by Food and Forest Development Finland (FFD), AgriCord and the Forest and Farm Facility (a partnership between FAO, IIED, IUCN and AgriCord) in collaboration with the Asian Farmers' Association (AFA) and the Pan-African Farmers' Organization (PAFO). The conference includes a series of web-seminars with pre-recorded and live interactive sessions.

The goals of the seminar are:

- To gain understanding of FFPO responses and strategies (locally, nationally, regionally) in demonstrating greater resilience, with specific focus on climate change and Covid-19 responses.
- To exchange approaches and insights with key actors around risk reduction strategies, increase awareness of FFPO resilience, and share best practices for improved resilience.
- To establish priorities in building resilience of smallholder producers, supply-chains and food systems, and in connecting forest and farm producer organisations (FFPOs) with related processes, initiatives and institutions.

The conference will be in English.

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Preliminary programme 11 June 2020

9:00 – 9:15 LIVE SESSION	Opening words Jeffrey Campbell, Manager, (FAO FFF), Juha Marttila, President, (FFD/MTK), Arianna Giuliodori, Secretary General, (WFO)
9:15 – 9:45 LIVE SESSION	Managing risks and maintaining functionality of the smallholder production systems at times of crisis Summary of AgriCord and FAO-FFF findings on smallholder resilience. Duncan MacQueen (FFF/IIED) Farmers and forest producers organisations' (FFPOs) mitigating risks and building resilience Synthesis of responses and policy recommendations gathered from regional (Africa, Asia, Latin America) FFPO consultations. Esther Penunia , Secretary General, Asian Farmers' Association (AFA) (tbc)
9:45 – 10:00	Comment speeches
10:00 – 10:30	Coffee break
10:30 – 11:45 LIVE SESSION	Panel discussion 1: International responses to support resilience in short- and long-term shocks and stresses - how to engage farmers and their organizations Panelists: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Arif Husain, Chief Economist, (WFP) • Hannelore Beerlandt, CEO, (AgriCord) • Elizabeth Nsimadala, President, (PAFO) • Paul Winters, Strategy and Knowledge Department, (IFAD) • Carla Montesi, Director/Planet and Prosperity, (EU Devco) • Maximo Torero, Chief Economist, (FAO) Moderator: Jeffrey Campbell, Manager, (FAO FFF) Questions and answers related to the panel discussion
11:45 – 12:20	Panel Discussion 2: Covid-19 affecting forest producers and forest value-chains in Africa, Asia and Europe (pre-recorded) Moderator: Antti Sahi (IFFA)
12:20 – 12:30	Comment speech (pre-recorded) Petri Sarvamaa , MEP, Rapporteur on the European Parliament's Own-Initiative Report on the new EU Forest Strategy.
12:30 – 13:15	Panel Discussion 3: National policy making supporting resilience through farmer and forest producer organizations in Viet Nam (pre-recorded)
13:15 – 13:30 LIVE SESSION	Conclusions Tiina Huvio , Programme Manager, (FFD), Jeffrey Campbell , Manager (FAO FFF)

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