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## HYBRID SIDE EVENT

*In collaboration with the Agroecology Coalition and  
Agroecology Transformative Partnership Platform*

**PHYSICAL:** Hotel Millennium  
Hilton, Bangkok, Thailand  
**ONLINE:** Zoom

# Translating UNFSS commitments into actions: Focus on the Coalition for Transforming Food Systems through Agroecology



**6 October 2022**



**1.30 -2.30 PM**  
**Bangkok time, GMT+7**



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Food systems account for a third of global greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions, and certain agricultural practices are a leading cause of biodiversity loss, environmental pollution, land degradation and scarcity of water resources. The precarious livelihoods and social inequalities, faced by many farmers and food system workers, exacerbate the difficulties in ensuring equitable access to nutritious diets.

The [United Nations Food Systems Summit](#) held in September 2021, highlighted agroecology<sup>1</sup> as an important nature-based approach to delivering sustainable food and nutrition. One of the major outcomes of the Food System Summit was the launch of the [Coalition for the Transformation of Food Systems Through Agroecology](#). This “Coalition of the Willing” is gaining support, with already 33 countries and 60 international organizations, farmers’ organizations, civil society, philanthropic, research, indigenous peoples’ organizations and UN agencies joining and expressing a high level of commitment and interest in strengthening collaborative action towards an agroecological transition.

## OBJECTIVES

This side event aligns with the implementation of the new FAO Strategic Framework to support the 2030 Agenda through the transformation to more efficient, inclusive, resilient and sustainable agri-food systems for better production, better nutrition, a better environment, and a better life.

The event aims to generate further political commitment to further promote integrated approaches. It will highlight the role of the Coalition in supporting food system transformation through agroecology and will comprise three segments:

1. The Agroecology Coalition and progress in CFS policy recommendation implementation at the national level (Dr F. Sinclair – Transformative Partnership Platform on Agroecology);
2. Ongoing initiatives led by countries (Cambodia, Vietnam, China) and Farmers’ Associations, and;
3. Agroecological transformation at the national level: Perspectives from non-members of the Agroecology Coalition (Nepal, Pacific, India).

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<sup>1</sup> including regenerative agriculture that respects the [13 principles of agroecology](#) defined by the High Level Panel of Experts (HLPE) of the Committee on World Food Security (CFS) and that are aligned with the [10 Elements of Agroecology](#) adopted by the 197 FAO Members in December 2019.