



**PARTNERING
FOR IMPACT:
A RESEARCH
AND
DEVELOPMENT
RESPONSE TO
SDG2**

TUESDAY 15 OCTOBER 2019

Lebanon Room, 2nd Floor, Building D, FAO

13:00 – 14:30

Light lunch will be provided outside the room before the event

Moderator - Vincent Gitz, Director, CGIAR Research Program on Forests, Trees and Agroforestry

The complex challenges facing agri-food systems require innovative solutions using multi-stakeholder partnerships to achieve the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). Multi-stakeholder partnerships are recognized as important vehicles for sharing knowledge, expertise, technologies and mobilizing financial resources to support achievement of the SDGs.

The aim of the side event is to showcase success stories and demonstrate impacts from CGIAR and FAO partnerships. The specific objectives of the event are to:

- Exchange lessons learned from CGIAR and FAO partnerships in addressing specific problems at the country level;
- Demonstrate innovative approaches and mechanisms for effective multi-stakeholder partnerships to accelerate the delivery of goods and services in the research and development

Speakers

- **Marcela Villarreal**, Director, Partnerships Division FAO
[Welcome and overview of FAO-CGIAR partnership](#)
- **Bukar Tijani**, Assistant Director General, Agriculture and Consumer Protection Department, FAO
[Opening remarks and key technical areas of collaboration](#)
- **Juan Lucas Restrepo**, Director General, Bioversity International and CEO designate of the Alliance between Bioversity International and CIAT
[CGIAR: Partnering to Transform Food Systems](#)
- **Li Xiande**, Principal Scientist, Chinese Academy of Agricultural Sciences CAAS
[Lessons from CAAS, CGIAR and FAO strategic partnerships](#)
- **Medi MOUNGUI**, Second Counsellor and Deputy Permanent Representative of Cameroon to FAO
[Management of banana diseases in Africa and beyond](#)
- **Nur Amalia**, National Social Forestry Working Group, Ministry of Environment and Forestry, Indonesia
[Agroforestry guidelines to share benefits across the ASEAN region](#)
- **Temina Lalani-Shariff**, Director of Communication and Stakeholder Engagement, International Rice Research Institute IRRI
[Capacity development for national stakeholders for the advancement of rice sector in Africa](#)