

Virtual workshop

Scaling up sustainable food systems through agroecology in the Himalayas

14-15 March 2023

8:30 a.m. – 1 p.m. CET / 1 – 5:30 p.m. IST / 1:15 - 5:45 p.m. NPT / 1:30 - 6 p.m. BTT

Final agenda

Workshop Day 1: 14 th March 2023	
1 p.m. IST / 8:30 a.m. CET	Welcome and setting the stage by the moderators Gábor Figeczky, Head of Global Policy, IFOAM – Organics International & Ingrid Fritsche, Project Manager Scaling up Agroecology, World Future Council
1:10 p.m. IST / 8:40 a.m. CET	Poll with the audience: Who are we? A look at participants, stakeholder groups and motivation
1:20 p.m. IST / 8:50 a.m. CET	Opening speeches: The situation of food systems in the Himalayas, the framework of sustainable food systems and the concept of agroecology <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dr. Pema Gyamtsho, Director General, International Centre for Integrated Mountain Development (ICIMOD) Emma Siliprandi, Agriculture Officer, Plant Production and Protection Division (NSP), Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO)
1:50 p.m. IST / 9:20 a.m. CET	Panel discussion: Peculiarities of country-specific food systems: Bhutan, India and Nepal – A brief assessment, problems and solutions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dr. Ram Krishna Shrestha, Chief (Joint Secretary), Centre for Crop Development and Agro-biodiversity Conservation, Department of Agriculture, Nepal Dr. Pema Gyamtsho, Director General, International Centre for Integrated Mountain Development and former Minister of Agriculture and Forest of Bhutan Anshuman Das, Program Manager – Agriculture & Environment, Economic Development, Welthungerhilfe India
2:50 p.m. IST / 10:20 a.m. CET	<i>Break</i>
3:05 p.m. IST / 10:35 a.m. CET	Breakout sessions: The main challenges and opportunities
4:05 p.m. IST / 11:35 a.m. CET	Summary of the discussions in the breakout sessions by rapporteurs
5:15 p.m. IST / 12:45 p.m. CET	Poll with the audience: What was good? What to improve? Major takeaways

5:30 p.m. IST / 1:00 p.m. CET	Closing of the day & what next by the moderators Gábor Figeczky, Head of Global Policy, IFOAM – Organics International & Ingrid Fritsche, Project Manager Scaling up Agroecology, World Future Council
Workshop Day 2: 15th March 2023	
1 p.m. IST / 8:30 a.m. CET	Welcome and debrief on workshop day 1 by the moderators Gábor Figeczky, Head of Global Policy, IFOAM – Organics International & Ingrid Fritsche, Project Manager Scaling up Agroecology, World Future Council
1:10 p.m. IST / 8:40 a.m. CET	Presentation of the poll results of workshop day 1 Vladyslav Zhmailo, Policy & Guarantee Coordinator, IFOAM – Organics International
1:25 p.m. IST / 8:55 a.m. CET	Panel discussion: Policies and policy measures working for and against sustainable food systems through agroecology in the Himalayas
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ravikant Avasthe, Ph. D., former Senior Technical Consultant, National Rainfed Area Authority (NRAA), Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare, India • Kesang Tshomo, Programme Manager, National Organic Flagship Programme, Department of Agriculture, Ministry of Agriculture and Forests, Bhutan • Dr. Ram Krishna Shrestha, Chief (Joint Secretary), Centre for Crop Development and Agro-biodiversity Conservation, Department of Agriculture, Nepal
2:55 p.m. IST / 10:25 a.m. CET	<i>Break</i>
3:10 p.m. IST / 10:40 a.m. CET	Breakout sessions: The main policy actions
4:30 p.m. IST / 12:00 p.m. CET	Summary of the discussions in the breakout sessions by rapporteurs
5:00 p.m. IST / 12:30 p.m. CET	Poll with the audience on workshop day 2: What was good? What to improve? Major takeaways
5:15 p.m. IST / 12:45 p.m. CET	Closing of the day & the way forward Gábor Figeczky, Head of Global Policy, IFOAM – Organics International & Ingrid Fritsche, Project Manager Scaling up Agroecology, World Future Council