



UN Food Systems Pre-Summit Affiliated Session

“People and Planet: Youth bringing meaning and action to food justice”

Organized by

Vatican Covid-19 Commission and Economy of Francesco

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I. Short Summary

Youth from around the world and across the food supply chain share their experiences of food systems and their commitments to transform these systems today, underpinned by the values of their faith. The session will demonstrate that each of us has a role to play in changing food systems for people and the planet, and all of us can cooperate for the care of creation, each according to his or her own culture, experience, involvements and talents.

II. Purpose

The food we eat brings us together as families, communities and nations; as one human family. It underpins our cultures, our economies and our relationships with the natural world, and reminds us how we are all interconnected. The world's food systems touch every aspect of human existence, and we are all members of the global food system. Each of us has a role to play in changing food systems for people and the planet, and *all of us can cooperate for the care of creation, each according to his or her own culture, experience, involvements and talents* (LS, 14).

Food for all is a moral call. Our broken global food system disproportionately impacts the poor and vulnerable, and young people around the world are demonstrating that we have a moral responsibility to ensure the right to healthy food for all, inspiring all of us to have hope and take concrete action.

Covid-19 has revealed and exacerbated the brokenness of our food systems. We look with hope and urgency at this opportunity to build forward better and transform the food system. Food for all is one of the three main priorities, along with “Jobs for all” and “Health for all”, of the

Vatican Covid-19 Commission for 2021 as we *prepare the future* and work towards systems that prioritize people and planet in the post-covid world¹.

Through this event, we hope to shed light on the series of factors, across all stages of food systems that affect our ability to deliver food for all. We also hope to demonstrate that food systems transformation is happening today by sharing the concrete experiences and actions of youth around the world, and inspiring commitments to changing food systems from event attendees.

A note on the format:

Hosted as a Zoom webinar with simultaneous translation and streamed live on the Dicastery of Promoting Integral Human Development's Youtube account, this affiliated session will feature two moderated dialogues, each with three youth speakers² from across the food supply chain and with diverse, global backgrounds giving a sense of the complexity and possibility of transforming food systems today.

The two dialogues will be styled as a TV news segment, with short, incisive responses from speakers and insightful, guided follow-up questions from the moderators. All speakers are members of, or have collaborated with, the Economy of Francesco, an international movement of young economists inspired by Pope Francis. The event will be in English with translation provided in Italian, French, Spanish and Portuguese.

III. Program

:30 seconds	<p><u>Slide: How are you changing food systems today?</u></p> <p>While attendees are logging onto the webinar, they will see a slide asking, "How are you changing food systems today?" to immediately engage attendees and encourage reflection on the individual roles each of us plays in transforming food systems for people and the planet.</p>
Video (1:30 minutes)	<p><u>Video: "I'm changing food systems today by..."</u></p> <p>In advance of the event, we have requested short video clips from young people around the world (shot on their phones) answering the question: "how are you changing food systems today?" Stitched together, the video clips will inspire attendees to begin thinking</p>

¹ To learn more about the Vatican Covid-19 Commission's vision of food for all, please see our paper "Healing the planet: the right to food for all" available [here](#).

² Speakers and moderators are noted in the descriptions for each session.

	<p>about the many ways they can commit to food systems transformation today through the examples of youth around the world.</p>
<p>First Session</p> <p>Welcome (2 minutes)</p> <p>Session: 15 minutes</p>	<p><u>Topic: What does the food system look like to you, your family and community and how has COVID impacted your experience?</u></p> <p>Moderator: <i>Lucia Capuzzi</i>, Journalist at Avvenire</p> <p>Moderator will welcome participants to the webinar, introduce the theme of the discussion and give a brief biography of each speaker. More extensive biographies and information will be available in the Zoom chat. The session will be a fast-paced conversation styled after a TV-news segment with concise responses and engaging follow-up questions.</p> <p>Speakers:</p> <p><i>Miriam Salussolia</i>, Biological farmer and international cooperation consultant - Italy</p> <p><i>Bárbara Nascimento Flores</i>, Social and environmental activist - Borum-Kren indigenous and Maxacali descendant</p> <p><i>Mateusz Ciasnocha</i>, Regenerative agriculture farmer - Poland</p>
<p>1 question from audience</p> <p>(3 minutes)</p>	<p><u>Question & answer Session and closing remarks</u></p> <p>Audience members will be invited by the moderator to ask questions in the Q&A feature in Zoom. The moderator will select one audience question to ask a/the speaker/s then make their closing remarks to transition to the Video: Food for All: A Moral Call.</p>
<p>Intermission</p> <p>(3 minutes)</p>	<p><u>Video: “Food for All: A Moral Call”</u></p> <p>Following a series of three webinars “Food for Life, Food Justice, Food for All” registered as independent dialogues contributing to the UNFSS, the Vatican Covid-19 Commission has prepared a short video capturing the main messages from these webinars.</p>

<p>Second Session</p> <p>(2 minute open)</p> <p>15 minute session</p>	<p><u>Topic: What does making a real commitment to food system transformation mean in practice?</u></p> <p>Moderator: <i>Fr. Augusto Zampini</i>, Adjunct Secretary of the Vatican Dicastery for the Promoting Integral Human Development</p> <p>Moderator will introduce the theme of the discussion and give a brief biography of each speaker. More extensive biographies and information will be available in the Zoom chat. The session will be a fast-paced conversation styled after a TV-news segment with concise responses and engaging follow-up questions.</p> <p>Speakers:</p> <p><i>Rita Babatunde</i>, Regenerative farmer and farm manager - Nigeria</p> <p><i>Yvan Sagnet</i>, Activist and entrepreneur, founder of an ethical agri-food supply chain - Cameroon and Italy</p> <p><i>Alberto Irezabal</i>, Social entrepreneur for inclusive development in agriculture with indigenous communities - Mexico</p>
<p>Question from audience to second panel</p> <p>(3 minutes)</p>	<p><u>Question & answer session and closing remarks</u></p> <p>Audience members will be invited by the moderator to ask questions in the Q&A feature in Zoom. The moderator will select one audience question to ask a speaker or speakers and then make their closing remarks. The moderator will then transition to and introduce the final audience engaging component.</p>
<p>Audience Engagement</p> <p>(5 minutes)</p>	<p><u>Question to the audience</u></p> <p>The moderator will introduce the engagement moment and explain how to use mentimeter, asking the audience to reflect on the question: <i>"What can you do to change food systems today?"</i> The audience responses to this question will appear on the screen.</p>



Image courtesy of the Economy of Francesco



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