

FRESH Science and Innovations Forum

“Improving Fruit and Vegetable Production and Consumption across the Food Value Chain”

July 17, 2024 | 07:30 AM-3:00 PM | Sheraton Manila Hotel

PROGRAMME

Time	Activity	Speakers
PART I. Opening Program		
07:30-08:00	Registration	
08:00-08:20	Invocation Philippine National Anthem Acknowledgement of Participants	FNRI Chorale Ma. Lynell V. Maniego Senior Science Research Specialist, DOST - FNRI
08:20-08:30	Welcome Message	Atty. Lucieden G. Raz Director III / Deputy Director and OIC-Office of the Director, DOST-FNRI Deanna Olney, Ph.D. FRESH Initiative Lead Director, Nutrition, Diets & Health Unit International Food Policy Research Institute
08:30 -08:45	Opening Message and Introduction of Keynote Speaker	Imelda Angeles-Agdeppa, Ph.D. Scientist IV FRESH Country Coordinator
08:45-09:05	Keynote Address	Renato U. Solidum, Jr. Secretary, Department of Science and Technology
PART II. Key Findings from FRESH Research Initiatives in the Philippines		
09:05-09:15	A. Understanding Consumer Behavior and Improving Food Environment	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Consumer behavior 	Eva A. Goyena, Ph.D. Senior Science Research Specialist, DOST - FNRI FRESH Co - lead WP1
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Food environments 	Neha Kumar, Ph.D. Senior Research Fellow International Food Policy Research Institute
	B. Addressing Issues across Food Supply Chain	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Biodiversity, genetic improvement, and seed systems 	Danny Hunter, Ph.D. Principal Scientist Alliance of Biodiversity International and the International Center for Tropical Agriculture (CIAT), Rome
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Safe and sustainable production systems 	Filomena C. Sta Cruz, Ph.D. Professor Institute of Weed Science, Entomology, and Plant College of Agriculture and Food Science University of the Philippines, Los Banos
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Postharvest and inclusive markets 	Jenny Ekman, Ph.D. Research Scientist Applied Horticultural Research - Australia
	C. Strengthening the Enabling Environment	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Policy review using an end-to-end approach 	Elaine Q. Borazon, Ph.D. Assistant Professor National Sun Yat-sen University, Kaohsiung, Taiwan
09:50-10:00	Coffee Break	
10:00-10:15	Synthesis and Ways Forward	Imelda Angeles-Agdeppa, Ph.D. FRESH Country Coordinator

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10:15-11:15	Talk Show Discussion with partners/ stakeholder representatives regarding: ○ What can your agencies contribute to increasing fruits and vegetables production, distribution, and consumption? ○ What are your current programs that can address sustainable healthy diets; bottlenecks and intended solutions?	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Department of Agriculture 	Gerald Glenn F. Panganiban, Ph.D. Director, Bureau of Plant Industry
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> DOST-Philippine Council for Agriculture, Aquatic, and Natural Resources Research and Development 	Reynaldo V. Eborá, Ph.D. Executive Director
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Department of Interior and Local Government 	Lilian M. De Leon Assistant Secretary for International Relations
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> UN World Food Programme 	Dipayán Bhattacharyya Deputy Country Director, Philippines
	Moderator: Dir. Emily Monville-Oro, Country Director, IIRR	
11:15-11:30	Signing of Commitments	Agency Secretaries & Development Partners
11:30-11:40	Closing Message	Usec. Leah J. Buendia, Ph.D. Research and Development Department of Science and Technology
LUNCH BREAK		
Masters of Ceremony: Salvador R. Serrano, Supervising SRS, DOST-FNRI Charina A. Javier, Senior SRS, DOST-FNRI		
PART III. Launching of IFPRI's 2024 Global Food Policy Report: Improving Diets and Nutrition through Food Systems: What Will It Take?		
13:00-13:05	Opening Remarks	Imelda Angeles-Agdeppa, Ph.D. FRESH Country Coordinator
13:05-13:15	Opening and Report Launch	Francisco P. Tiu Laurel, Jr. Secretary of Department of Agriculture <i>(to be represented by Gerald Glenn F. Panganiban, Ph.D., Director, DA-BPI)</i>
		Deanna Olney, Ph.D. FRESH Initiative Lead Director, Nutrition, Diets & Health Unit International Food Policy Research Institute
13:15-13:45	Key Findings from the 2024 Global Food Policy Report	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Overview of the Key Findings 	Deanna Olney, Ph.D. , Director, Nutrition, Diets & Health Unit, IFPRI
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Demand-Side Determinants and Solutions 	Neha Kumar, Ph.D. , Senior Research Fellow, IFPRI
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Southeast and East Asia Regional Priorities 	Phuong Hong Nguyen, Ph.D. , Senior Research Fellow, IFPRI
13:45-14:30	Panel Reflections: Challenges and opportunities to transform food systems towards sustainable healthy diets	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Food Systems Approach 	Acd. Eufemio T. Rasco Jr. Chair, Agricultural Sciences Division National Academy of Science and Technology Philippines
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sustainable Diets 	Melody Melo-Rijk Project Manager, World Wide Fund for Nature - Philippines
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Walang Gutom 2027 	Irene B. Dumlao, CESO IV Assistant Secretary for OSEC Concerns, Department of Social Welfare and Development
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Healthy Diets and Communities 	Ellen Ruth F. Abella Nutrition Officer IV and OIC-Nutrition Policy and Planning Division, National Nutrition Council
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> School Gardening/School-Based Feeding 	Dr. Dexter A. Galban Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Learner Support Services Department of Education
	Moderators: Jenny Ekman, Ph.D. , Research Scientist, Applied Horticultural Research - Australia Danny Hunter, Ph.D. , Principal Scientist, Alliance of Biodiversity International and CIAT	
14:30-14:45	Open Forum	
14:45-15:00	Closing Message	Usec. Sancho A. Maborang, CESO II Regional Operations Department of Science and Technology
Master of Ceremony: Ma. Shiela S. Anunciado, Program Manager, IIRR		