Evidence needs to support nutrition-sensitive innovations in food value chains:

Perspectives from South Asia and Southern Africa

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Food Systems for Nutrition Innovation Lab (FSN-IL)

Description:
The Food Systems for Nutrition Innovation Lab (FSN-IL) at Tufts University supports the uptake of food system innovations for improved diet quality and nutrition in low- and middle-income countries (LMICs). This FSN-IL led side-event will bring together panelists to discuss evidence needs to support innovation in food value chains for healthy diets and a healthy planet focusing on South Asia and Southern Africa. Healthy diets produced sustainably require LMICs to produce more nutrient-rich foods, process and preserve them all the way to the consumer, and cut loss and waste. This requires an urgent focus on innovation, technologies, and applied science to scale up actions and investments across agri-food systems.

Agenda

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| 10:00 - 10:10 AM | Welcome & Introduction to the Session  
- Patrick Webb, Food Systems for Nutrition Innovation Lab, Tufts University, Boston, USA  
- Shibani Ghosh, Food Systems for Nutrition Innovation Lab, Tufts University, Boston, USA |
| 10:10 - 10:40 AM | Panel 1: Evidence Needs in the South Asia Context (Nepal and Bangladesh)  
- Kiran Rupakhetee, National Planning Commission, Government of Nepal  
- Monzur Morshed Ahmed, Bangladesh Food Safety Authority (BFSA), Ministry of Food, Bangladesh  
- Ashek Mahfuz, Global Alliance for Improved Nutrition, Bangladesh  
- Aminuzzaman Talukder, Helen Keller International, Bangladesh  
- Atul Upadhyay, Baliyo Nepal Nutrition Initiative, Nepal  
- Ram Shrestha, CAFODAT College, Nepal |
| 10:40 - 11:10 AM | Panel 2: Evidence Needs in Southern Africa (Malawi and Mozambique)  
- Sophie Lusungu Chitedze, Alliance for a Green Revolution in Africa (AGRA), Malawi  
- Gaspar Cuambe, Global Alliance for Improved Nutrition (GAIN), Mozambique  
- Dr. David L. Tschirley, Department of Agricultural, Food, and Resource Economics, Michigan State University  
- Edna Possolo, World Food Program, Mozambique |
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