

Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations

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Introduction

- ▶ The Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) is a specialized agency of the United Nations that leads international efforts to defeat hunger.
- ▶ It was established on Oct.16,1945 and its HQ is at Rome. It is the oldest existing agency of U.N. There are 194 member nations and one organization (European Union)are affiliate to this agency.
- ▶ Its goal is to achieve food security for all and make sure that people have regular access to enough high-quality food to lead active, healthy lives. With over 194 member states, FAO works in over 130 countries worldwide. It believes that everyone can play a part in ending hunger.

Structure

- ▶ FAO is headed by a Director- General.
- ▶ Conference, Council, Regional Conferences and Committees are other supporting machinery.
- ▶ As per the Constitution of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, which provides for "a Conference of the Organization in which each Member Nation and Associate Member shall be represented by one delegate".
- ▶ FAO has 194 Member Nations plus one Member Organization, the European Union and two Associate Members, The Faroe Islands and Tokelau.

Organizational Structure



Statutory Bodies- Area

- ▶ Agriculture
- ▶ Animal Production and Health
- ▶ Commodities and Trade
- ▶ Fisheries
- ▶ Food Policy and Nutrition
- ▶ Forestry
- ▶ Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture
- ▶ Land and Water Development
- ▶ Plant Production and Protection
- ▶ Statistics

Thrust areas

- ▶ Sustainable food and agriculture.
- ▶ Food systems.
- ▶ Migration.
- ▶ Boosting transparency of forest data.
- ▶ Shedding light on SDG indicators.
- ▶ Public-private partnerships boost capacity and know-how in agriculture.
- ▶ Action Against Desertification.

Projects

- ▶ Adapting irrigation to climate change.
- ▶ Africa Sustainable Livestock 2050.
- ▶ African Network for the Development of Horticulture.
- ▶ African Roots and Tubers.
- ▶ Agricultural intensification by increasing input market through cooperatives.
- ▶ Agronoticias: Agriculture News from Latin America and the Caribbean.
- ▶ Analysis and Mapping of Impacts under Climate Change.
- ▶ Boosting transparency of forest data.
- ▶ Central Asian Countries Initiative for Land Management (CACILM) .

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- ▶ Coastal Fisheries Initiative.
- ▶ Developing capacity for strengthening food security and nutrition.
- ▶ E-Agriculture Strategy Guide.
- ▶ Economic and Policy Analysis of Climate Change.
- ▶ Emergency Irrigation Rehabilitation Project.
- ▶ Enhanced Cross-Boundary Water Resource Management in the Senegal River Basin.
- ▶ FAO and Japan partnering to build global food security.

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- ▶ Fish Adapt.
- ▶ Food Security Capacity Building.
- ▶ Food and Agriculture Policy Decision Analysis.
- ▶ Food for the Cities Programme.
- ▶ Food security and complex emergencies.
- ▶ Forest and Water programme.
- ▶ Incentives for Ecosystem Services.
- ▶ Mainstreaming of the National Land Consolidation Programme (MAINLAND).