#### CFS45 Side-event #105

Aligning agriculture and food processing related policies to enhance healthy sustainable diets Advancing the implementation of the ICN2 recommendations under The UN Decade of Action on Nutrition

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# **Bio of speakers**

**Mario Arvelo,** CFS Chair and Permanent Representative of the Dominican Republic to the UN Rome-based Agencies



Mario Arvelo (Santo Domingo, 1970) is a lawyer, political scientist, writer, public speaker, and career diplomat. He is the Ambassador, Permanent Representative of the Dominican Republic to the Romebased UN agencies and the Chairperson of the Committee on World Food Security.

As diplomat, he has been posted to the Permanent Mission to the Organization of American States in Washington DC, and to the Dominican Embassies in Tokyo, in Santiago de Chile, and in Rome. Since 2014 he is the First Alternate Chairperson of the Appeals Committee of FAO and WFP, and is a member of the Governing Council and of the Executive Board at IFAD.

Ambassador Arvelo was the Commissioner-General of the Dominican Republic for the Universal Exposition Expo Milano 2015; before entering public service, he worked in the private sector and in civil society.

**Mr Kostas G. Stamoulis** Assistant Director-General of the Economic and Social Development Department, FAO



Mr Kostas G. Stamoulis is currently the Assistant Director-General of the Economic and Social Development Department at the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations.

He served as Director, Strategic Programme Leader, Food Security and Nutrition in FAO. He led through 2015 the design and provided strategic guidance of FAO's Strategic Programme on Food Security and Nutrition which cuts across several disciplines and geographical regions.

Between 2008 and 2015 he was the Director of the Agricultural Development Economics Division of FAO.

From 2007 to 2015 he has been the Secretary of the Committee on World Food Security (CFS) and played a key role in the reform of the committee.

Before joining FAO in 1989, he was Assistant Professor of Agricultural Economics at the University of Illinois in Urbana Champaign.

He holds a degree in Economics from the Economics University of Athens (Greece), a Master's Degree in Agricultural Economics from the University of Georgia (USA) and a Ph.D. in Agricultural and Resource Economics from the University of California at Berkeley.

Mr Hideya Yamada, Vice President for Food, Agriculture and Nutrition of JICA



Mr Hideya Yamada became the Vice President for Food, Agriculture and Nutrition of JICA in August 2017. Prior to this appointment, Mr. Yamada worked for the government of Japan for thirty years.

Mr.Yamada started his career with the Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries of Japan in 1987, and he played various roles in planning and implementing agricultural policy of Japan. Particularly he specialized in international affairs such as negotiations of bilateral Free Trade Agreements and

export promotion of Japanese foods. He also worked for the Embassy of Japan in Italy for six years in total, as the deputy permanent representative in charge of Rome based UN food agencies.

Since joining JICA, Mr.Yamada has devoted himself to planning and coordinating development policies and programs in the field of food, agriculture and nutrition. In particular he has put emphasis on increasing rice production in African countries and on improving nutrition status of African people.

Mr.Yamada was born in Tokyo, Japan. He received a M.A. in International Development Policy at Stanford University in 1996, and a B.A. (agriculture) at the University of Tokyo in 1987.

### **Moderator:**

**Mr Francesco Branca,** Director, Department of Nutrition for Health and Development, World Health Organization (WHO), Switzerland

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Mr Francesco Branca is the Director of the Department of Nutrition for Health and Development in the World Health Organization, Geneva. During his tenure, WHO has established a new nutrition guideline development process and has developed a Comprehensive Implementation Plan on Maternal, Infant and Young Child Nutrition with six global targets. He has been leading the preparation of the 2<sup>nd</sup> International Conference on Nutrition.

He has been a Senior Scientist at the Italian Food and Nutrition Research Institute where he was leading studies on the effects of food and nutrients on human health at the different stages of the life cycle and on the impact of public health nutrition programmes. He has been President of the Federation of the European Nutrition Societies in 2003-2007.

Dr Branca graduated in Medicine and Surgery and specialized in Diabetology and Metabolic Diseases at the Universita' Cattolica del Sacro Cuore, Roma and obtained a PhD in Nutrition at Aberdeen University.

#### **Panelists**

**Ms Verónica Risso Patrón**, Program Coordinator of Healthy Eating and Prevention of Obesity, MoH&SD, Argentina



Ms Verónica Risso Patrón comes from Argentina. She works in the Ministry of Health and Social Development of Argentina; She is the coordinator of the National Program of Healthy Eating and Prevention of Obesity. One of the lines of work of this program is related to the reformulation of food, particularly in relation to the reduction of sodium and elimination of trans fats.

Ms Verónica Risso Patrón holds a degree in Nutrition and a Master's Degree in Social Policy.

#### Ms. Mary Mabel Mwale, IFNA Focal Point for Kenya



Ms. Mary Mabel Mwale is a Food Security and Nutrition expert with over 25 years of experience in various positions in the Government of Kenya. Currently she is deployed in the Ministry of Agriculture, Livestock Fisheries and Irrigation. As such she is involved in formulation and implementation of sector Food Security and Nutrition policies, legislation strategies and related regulations and standards, among others.

She is serving as the Focal Point for Kenya, for the Initiative for Food and Nutrition Security in Africa (IFNA), and as the interim Secretary of the joint Secretariat of the National Food and Nutrition Security Council.

Ms. Mary Mabel Mwale is a graduate of Egerton University in Kenya with Master of Science in Food Science and a Bachelor of Science in Foods, Nutrition and Dietetics (BSc). Also, has a Post-graduate certificate in Food Technology from Hebrew University, Israel and a Diploma in Agriculture and Home Economics from Egerton University, Kenya.

Mr Dave VandenEinde, Global Research & Development Director, Cargill Global Edible Oil Solutions

Dave VandenEinde is the Global Research and Development (R&D) Director for Cargill's Global Edible Oil business. Dave has served in a variety of roles for Cargill for over 23 years. In his current role, he is responsible for leading the edible oils and fats portion of the global R&D organization.

Dave joined Cargill in 1995 after five years in the medical devices industry. Over his time at Cargill, he has focused on intellectual asset management, team leadership, collaborative development, deal structuring, external innovation, and R&D leadership.

Dave holds a BS in Mechanical Engineering from the University of Minnesota, and is a registered patent agent.

Dave and his wife, Sandi, have twin daughters Emma and Abbie. He enjoys woodworking, golfing, spending time on their hobby farm and with his family.

## Boitshepo Bibi Giyose, Senior Officer Nutrition and Food Systems & Advisor to the CEO, NEPAD

Ms Boitshepo Bibi Giyose is a Senior Nutrition Officer for Policy and Programmes in the Nutrition and



Food Systems Division at FAO, but currently on secondment to NEPAD as special advisor to the CEO. Her work focuses on integrating and mainstreaming nutrition into agriculture and related development agendas, and to promote a multisector approach for addressing all forms of malnutrition.

She holds a MS in International Nutrition from Cornell University, and a BS in Nutrition and Dietetics from Appalachian State University, USA.

Ms. Giyose was awarded a "Distinguished Alumna Award" in recognition of exceptional professional achievement by Appalachian State University in 2007. She was also named Senior Policy Scholar in 2011 by the Global Child Nutrition Foundation – USA - for her work on Home Grown School Feeding.

She has served on numerous international scientific technical and policy advisory committees and boards.