



International Year of Pulses (IYP) 2016 Side Event

“Pulses at the crossroads of health, nutrition and sustainable development”

Venue: Austria room (C250Bis) - Day: 10 November 2015 (14:00-15:30)

The purpose of the Side event is to create an informal forum for discussion and knowledge sharing on the benefits of pulses and on the fundamental role they play in food security, nutrition and the environment. The event will include a presentation on the nutritional and health advantages of pulses and a “Chat Show” with experts from FAO, IFAD and Bioversity International. It will be an excellent opportunity to learn and explore, with participants from the audience, current issues related to pulses production, trade and consumption as well as provide a space for reflection, dialogue and to kick-start discussions on how to achieve the objectives of the IYP 2016.

AGENDA

Welcoming remarks: Marcela Villarreal, Director Office for Partnerships, Advocacy and Capacity Development, FAO - IYP 2016 Secretariat

PRESENTATION: “[Pulses for Nutrition and Health](#)”

Presentation on the nutritional and health advantages of pulses by Ruth Charrondiere, Nutrition Officer, Nutrition Division (ESN), FAO

Questions and answers

CHAT SHOW:

Introduction by Riccardo del Castello, Focal Point IYP 2016 Secretariat, FAO

Chat Show guests:

- Devra I. Jarvis, Principal Scientist, Genetic Diversity, Productivity and Resilience, Bioversity International
- Robert Delve, Senior Technical Specialist, Agronomy Policy and Technical Advisory Division, IFAD
- Bouabaker Ben Belhassen, Director, Trade and Markets Division (EST), FAO
- Caterina Batello, Senior Officer, Plant Production and Protection Division (AGP), FAO

Summary reflections and closing