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Reducing food loss and waste in fruits and vegetables for improving access to healthy diets

Tokyo Nutrition for Growth Summit 2021- Side Event
20 January 2022 / 10:00 hours CET

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Fruits and vegetables are important constituents of healthy diets. High levels of losses and waste in fruits and vegetables, however, represent a considerable waste of the beneficial nutrients they could potentially offer toward enriching dietary quality.

This side event will highlight the critical importance of reducing food loss and waste in fruit and vegetable supply systems, toward enhancing their quality, safety and availability for consumption in healthy diets. A panel of stakeholders from across the fruit and vegetable supply system will discuss and highlight opportunities and approaches to reduce food losses and waste and to maximize the use of fruits and vegetables produced for consumption. Policy measure to address supply and demand side issues in fruit and vegetable supply systems will also be discussed.

TENTATIVE AGENDA

10:00 Video Presentation

10:05 Nancy Aburto, Deputy Director, Food and Nutrition Division, Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations

Introduction and welcome remarks

10:10 Máximo Torero Cullen, Chief Economist, Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations

Why reducing food loss and waste matters for access to healthy diets.

Moderator: FAO (TBC)

10:25 Elda Esguerra, University of the Philippines Los Baños

Causes of food loss and waste in fruits and vegetables, and sustainable actions to reduce them.
Experiences from Asia.

10:35 Guillaume Pagy, General Manager, Pagysa - PAGYSA A.S. & Nova Fruits International (TBC)

Dried fruits: a sustainable healthy option

10:45 Eugenia Carrara, Secretary General, World Union of Wholesale Markets

The contribution of wholesale markets to reducing food loss and waste and improving access to healthy diets.

10:55 Angela Frigo, Secretary General, Federation of European Food Banks

Food banks and their contribution to increasing fruit and vegetable intake by the food insecure

11:05 Parliamentary representative (TBD)

11:15 Q&A

11:25 Rosa Rolle, Senior Enterprise Development Officer, Food and Nutrition Division, Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations

Key takeaways and closing remarks