

# OFFICIAL FEEDBACK FORM

<b>DIALOGUE DATE</b>	Monday, 21 December 2020 10:00 GMT +08:00
<b>DIALOGUE TITLE</b>	Food Safety and Nutrition In Ensuring Food Security
<b>CONVENED BY</b>	Ministry of Health, Malaysia
<b>DIALOGUE EVENT PAGE</b>	<a href="https://summitdialogues.org/dialogue/22931/">https://summitdialogues.org/dialogue/22931/</a>
<b>DIALOGUE TYPE</b>	Member State
<b>GEOGRAPHICAL FOCUS</b>	Malaysia

The outcomes from a Food Systems Summit Dialogue will be of use in developing the pathway to sustainable food systems within the locality in which they take place. They will be a valuable contribution to the national pathways and also of interest to the different workstreams preparing for the Summit: the Action Tracks, Scientific Groups and Champions as well as for other Dialogues.

# 1. PARTICIPATION

## TOTAL NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS

28

## PARTICIPATION BY AGE RANGE

0-18

19-30

31-50

51-65

66-80

80+

## PARTICIPATION BY GENDER

Male

Female

Prefer not to say or Other

## NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS IN EACH SECTOR

1 Agriculture/crops  
Fish and aquaculture  
Livestock  
Agro-forestry  
Environment and ecology  
Trade and commerce

23 Education  
Communication  
Food processing  
Food retail, markets  
4 Food industry  
Financial Services

Health care  
Nutrition  
National or local government  
Utilities  
Industrial  
Other

## NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS FROM EACH STAKEHOLDER GROUP

Small/medium enterprise/artisan  
Large national business  
Multi-national corporation  
Small-scale farmer  
Medium-scale farmer  
Large-scale farmer  
Local Non-Governmental Organization  
International Non-Governmental Organization  
Indigenous People  
Science and academia

Workers and trade union  
Member of Parliament  
Local authority  
Government and national institution  
Regional economic community  
United Nations  
International financial institution  
Private Foundation / Partnership / Alliance  
Consumer group  
Other

## 2. PRINCIPLES OF ENGAGEMENT

### HOW DID YOU ORGANIZE THE DIALOGUE SO THAT THE PRINCIPLES WERE INCORPORATED, REINFORCED AND ENHANCED?

The engagement was organized among national food safety stakeholders to highlight the importance of strengthening national food safety systems by embracing multi stakeholders inclusivity. Food safety is an important component of health security and sustainable development and it is related to everyone. Food safety is a shared responsibility of everyone involved with food, from governments, NGOs, food producers, retailers and consumers. All along the food chain, legislation and controls are implemented to minimize the risk of contamination to enable people to enjoy their right to food. In total, 28 members from various stakeholders attended the engagement which was intended to capture their interest and to show the relevance of food safety system across multiple agencies.

### HOW DID YOUR DIALOGUE REFLECT SPECIFIC ASPECTS OF THE PRINCIPLES?

Urgency. The engagement highlighted how ensuring food safety can help country to reach the goals set forth in the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development as well as support the UN Food System Summit 2021. Commitment. Food safety, nutrition and food security are closely linked. Unsafe food creates a vicious cycle of disease and malnutrition, particularly affecting infants, young children, elderly and the sick. In addition to contributing to food and nutrition security, a safe food supply also supports national economies, trade and tourism, stimulating sustainable development.

### DO YOU HAVE ADVICE FOR OTHER DIALOGUE CONVENORS ABOUT APPRECIATING THE PRINCIPLES OF ENGAGEMENT?

N/A

# 3. METHOD

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The outcomes of a Dialogue are influenced by the method that is used.

**DID YOU USE THE SAME METHOD AS RECOMMENDED BY THE CONVENORS REFERENCE MANUAL?**

**Yes**

**No**

The engagement was conducted in a hybrid meeting and turned out to be a good session. There were stakeholders attending in the same place and others joined the meeting by conference call or web conference. The session allowed stakeholders to provide input and solutions that is important to the organizer in ways that utilize their opinions and commitments.

# 4. DIALOGUE FOCUS & OUTCOMES

## MAJOR FOCUS

The engagement major focus was to identify the best mechanism to align food safety and nutrition action strategies across multi agencies in ensuring food security. The goal of the engagement was that to integrate food safety and nutrition into broader food policies and programmes e.g. food security. Access to sufficient amounts of safe and nutritious food is the key to sustaining life and promoting good health.

### ACTION TRACKS

- Action Track 1: Ensure access to safe and nutritious food for all
- Action Track 2: Shift to sustainable consumption patterns
- Action Track 3: Boost nature-positive production
- Action Track 4: Advance equitable livelihoods
- Action Track 5: Build resilience to vulnerabilities, shocks and stress

### KEYWORDS

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- Women & Youth Empowerment
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## MAIN FINDINGS

Main findings are :

1. Malaysia is adopting the Regional Framework for Action on Food Safety in the Western Pacific which provides guidance on strategic action and a stepwise approach to strengthen food safety systems.
2. For smart investments to improve food safety, synergies with other sectors and developments are critical.
3. Food safety is a shared responsibility where all stakeholders from various agencies play an important role.
4. 6 Strategies were proposed to guide the draft action plan for food safety and nutrition cluster to support the food security national policy.

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## OUTCOMES FOR EACH DISCUSSION TOPIC

Strengthening the cross sectoral commitment will transform food safety systems and achieve the goal of ensuring access to safe and nutritious food for all. The engagement was successful to support governmental officials, food safety professionals, academia and the broader food systems stakeholders in understanding both the need to transform our food safety system and the available opportunities and solutions in scaling up food safety in the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development.

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## AREAS OF DIVERGENCE

There's no significant divergence of opinion within the stakeholders. All stakeholders agreed the importance of partnerships and cross-sectoral responsibilities to keep food safe for everyone.

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