

Ethiopia National Nutrition Conference

"Diets, Affordability and Policy in Ethiopia: From Evidence to Action"

Thursday December 12th. Hilton, Addis Ababa

8.30-9.00 Registration and poster viewing

Master of Ceremony: Teunis Van Rheenen (IFPRI)

9.00-9.15 Opening

- Welcome by Bart Minten, Program Leader (IFPRI)
- Opening by Getachew Tollera, Deputy Director General (EPHI)

9.15-10.15 Session 1. Patterns in diet diversity

Chair: Anne Bossuyt (IFPRI)

Keynote: Kaleab Baye (Addis Ababa University). Diets and stunting in Ethiopia

- Tibebe Mogus (EPHI). Nutrient gaps in diets of children
- Arnaud Laillou (UNICEF). Bottlenecks for healthy diets in Ethiopia
- Questions and answers

10.15-10.35 Coffee break and poster viewing

10.35-11.45 Session 2. Affordability of healthy diets

Chair: Namukolo Covic (A4NH)

Keynote: Namukolo Covic (A4NH). Introduction to the EAT Lancet publication

- Harold Alderman (IFPRI). The cost of healthy food
- Kalle Hirvonen (IFPRI). How affordable is the global planetary healthy diet?
- Haleluya Tesfaye (IFPRI). The cost of a healthy diet in Ethiopia
- Questions and answers

11.45-12.15 Mini poster presentation. *Chair: Christopher Rue (Compact2025)*

12.15-13.15 Lunch and poster viewing

13.15-15.00 Session 3. Impact of policies and programs

Chair: Megan Kyles (USAID)

Keynote: Prof. Tefera Belachew (Jimma University). Policies and programs for nutrition in Ethiopia

- Guush Berhane (IFPRI). Changing diets and nutrition outcomes through the Productive Safety Net Program (PSNP)
- Dan Gilligan (IFPRI). The impact of nutrition-sensitive social cash transfer programs on diets, food security and nutrition
- Tadesse Kuma (PSI). Changes in diet diversity through the Agriculture Growth Program (AGP)
- Dawit Mekonnen (IFPRI). Irrigation and diets
- Yewelsew Abebe (A&T). Behavior Change Communication (BCC) interventions, child feeding practices and stunting
- Desalegn Kuche (EPHI). The Government's Sustainable Undernutrition Reduction in Ethiopia (SURE) program
- Tirsit Genye (IFPRI). Access to health and agricultural extension services
- Questions and answers

15.00-15.20 Coffee break and poster viewing

15.20-16.20 From research to implementation – what more is needed?

Chair: Ferew Lemma, Senior Advisor, State Minister's Office (Programs), Federal Ministry of Health. SUN Focal Point and chair of the NiPN AC

A panel of a select number of policy makers and practitioners will share their thoughts on what the policy/programmatic implications are of the presented evidence and what gaps are in our knowledge.

Panelists

- Masresha Tessema, Director of the Food Science and Nutrition Directorate, Ethiopian Public Health Institute
- Stanley Chitekwe, Chief Nutrition Unit, UNICEF Ethiopia
- Alemtsehay Sergawi, Nutrition Advisor to the Minister of Agriculture
- Sisay Sinamo, Senior Program Manager, Seqota Declaration, Federal Program Delivery Unit, Ministry of Health
- John McDermott, Director, CGIAR Research Program on Agriculture for Nutrition and Health (A4NH)

Final concluding remarks: Alemayehu Seyoum Taffesse (IFPRI)

16:30 Reception

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