

Measuring the Cost of Ending Hunger

18 –19 July 2017
Chateau de Penthes
Geneva, Switzerland

Meeting Agenda

IISD and IFPRI launched the report, [*Ending Hunger: what would it cost?*](#) in November 2016. The report employed a first-of-its kind model that combines macro-economic data with household surveys. We found that it will cost on average an extra USD 11 billion of public money per year from 2016 to 2030 to largely end hunger, part of sustainable development goal 2 (SDG2). USD 4 billion of the additional spending needs to come from donors. The remaining USD 7 billion will come from poor countries themselves.

Since the launch of the report, there has been broad interest from academics, economic modellers and donors, to understand how the model works. There have also been calls for more robust evidence and greater consensus on the most effective interventions to achieve SDG2.

The goal of this workshop is to explain the IFPRI-IISD methodology and discuss how it can be used to contribute to more robust evidence on the most effective interventions. The meeting will start with a detailed presentation of the methodology; its strengths, limits, and how it can be used for future modeling efforts. The second day will focus on the pathway to building consensus among academics, modellers and donors through a special journal issue on the most effective interventions to achieve SDG2.

Tuesday 18 July

8.45 - 9.00	Coffee
9.00 - 9.15	Introduction and purpose of the meeting Scott Vaughan, President & CEO, International Institute for Sustainable Development (IISD)
9.15 - 11.00	Presentation of the methodology for <i>Ending Hunger: what would it cost?</i> David Laborde and Tess Lallemand, International Food Policy Research Institute (IFPRI) Discussant: Lorenzo Giovanni Bellù, Food and Agriculture Organisation of the UN (FAO) Moderator: Carin Smaller, IISD
11.00 - 11.15	Coffee break
11.15 – 12.30	Question & answer session on the methodology Moderator: Ammad Bahalim, Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation (BMGF)
12.30 – 13.30	Lunch
13.30 – 15.00	Effective interventions for ending hunger: what does the literature say? Carin Smaller and Stefan Juncurt, IISD Discussant: Ruerd Ruben, Wageningen University Moderator: Jaron Porciello, Cornell University
15.00 – 15.15	Coffee break
15.15 – 16.30	Effective interventions for ending hunger: what can be costed? David Laborde, IFPRI Discussant: David Nielson, World Bank (tbc) Moderator: David Hegwood, USAID
19.30	Dinner at <i>Hotel Les Armures</i> in the old town of Geneva (Rue du Puits-Saint-Pierre 1, 1204 Geneva)

Wednesday 19 July

8.45 - 9.00	Coffee
9.00 – 11.00	<p>Introduction to the special journal issue</p> <p>Jaron Porciello, Cornell University and Sarah Zoubek, Duke University Discussant: Dominique Van Der Mensbrugge, Purdue University</p> <p>Moderator: Ammad Bahalim, BMGF</p>
11.00 - 11.15	Coffee break
11.15 – 12.30	<p>Improving agriculture and food policy making through coordinated systematic reviews</p> <p>Jaron Porciello, Cornell University and Sarah Zoubek, Duke University Moderator: Tabitha Gillan, UK Department for International Development (DFID)</p>
12.30 – 13.00	<p>Next steps</p> <p>Scott Vaughan and Carin Smaller, IISD</p>
13.00 – 14.00	Lunch and end of meeting