

## FAO Side event, 22 November 2019

### Theme

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*Data Sources / Data Collection / Data Quality*

### Title

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Closing the Agricultural Data Gap through Agricultural Integrated Surveys

### Description

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The Agricultural Integrated Survey model is a farm-based modular survey system that operates over a 10-year cycle, integrating an annual production module and several rotating modules administered periodically. The model “... is designed to help national agencies accelerate the production of quality disaggregated data on the technical, environmental and social dimensions of the agricultural holdings”.

Since 2017, FAO has been assisting countries in the design and implementation of agricultural surveys, based on the AGRIS model, developed by the *Global Strategy to Improve Agricultural and Rural Statistics*, a generic approach that requires customization by the implementing national agencies. FAO is currently working with eleven partner countries to strengthen, or to develop ex-novo, a system of integrated agricultural surveys.

In the coming years, the new Initiative 50 by 2030 will build on these efforts to support 50 low and lower-middle income countries in developing strong national data systems that produce and use high-quality, timely agricultural survey data, through an innovative approach based on the AGRIS surveys (FAO) and LSMS-ISA experience of the World Bank. These systems are aimed at providing sufficient data for the calculation of national priority indicators, agri – related SDG indicators, CAADP indicators. They are needed to policy makers to develop, monitor and assess national agricultural investment plans and rural policies, to analyse the trends in agricultural productivity and income.

The work undertaken resulted into country experiences that are relevant from the methodological or institutional perspective. This side event will demonstrate such experiences. In particular, it will discuss the application of a farm-based approach to an area-frame survey, the frequency of data collection, the integration of a farm-based survey with a household-based survey, and the development of a conducive institutional framework for agricultural surveys. One of more country examples will be shared for each of these topics followed by a discussion with the audience.

### Nature of the Event

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Presentations and Panel discussion. Event will be sponsored by FAO.

### Session Organizer

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## **Draft Agenda**

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9.00 – 9.20 - Introduction of the Agricultural Integrated Survey programme (J. Rosero-Moncayo, FAO)

9.20 – 9.45 - Presentation of data production component (FAO, TBD)

9.45 - 10.15h Discussion

### **10.15 – 10.30h – coffee/tea break**

10.30 – 11.45 Part 1. Prioritisation of user needs and customization of questionnaires countries' experience (Ethiopia, Senegal, Uganda, Nepal)

11.45 - 12.30 – Discussion, lessons learnt on Prioritisation of user needs

### **12.30 – 13.30 h Lunch break**

13.30 – 15.00 Part 2 Data collection modalities – countries' experience (Ecuador, Costa Rica, Cambodia, Georgia)

15.00 – 15.45h - Discussion, lessons learnt on Data collection modalities

### **15.45 – 16.00h – coffee/tea break**

16.00 – 16.45 h Part 3 : Ways of dissemination – countries' experience (Ecuador, Georgia, FAO)

16.45 – 17.15 - Discussion, lessons learnt on Ways of dissemination

### **17.15– 17.30 – Closure**

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