The urgent need for transformed food systems is well recognized as a basis for food security, improved nutrition and affordable healthy diets for all. Multiple drivers conspire to make direct causal connections between climate innovations and improved nutrition outcomes more challenging but are essential to find process and production innovations and technologies that are synergistic, inclusive and equitable while magnifying positive change at scale.

This side event will explore how adaptation and mitigation to climate change in agriculture can measurably deliver on nutrition outcomes at individual households and higher levels. Speakers will discuss what innovations can assure climate-smart agriculture will also become nutrition sensitive agriculture. Furthermore, the event will investigate in which ways multiple stages of food value chains can remain resilient in the face of climate change while contributing to positive dietary outcomes for nutrition and health.

Objectives

- Explore opportunities to achieve joint outcomes for climate change and nutrition.
- Underscore the role of innovation in delivering joint outcomes.
- Describe opportunities to advance efforts through the Global Action Agenda for Innovation in Agriculture.

Speakers

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- **Philip Thornton**
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