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# THE WORLD FOOD FORUM 2024 PARTICIPANTS' GUIDE

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# 01 INTRO TO THE WORLD FOOD FORUM

## What is the World Food Forum?

The World Food Forum (WFF), launched in 2021 as an independent network of partners hosted by the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO), serves as the premier global platform to actively shape agrifood systems for a better food future, accelerating the achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). Through youth action, science and innovation, and investment, the WFF forges new paths of action and multi-sector partnerships for agrifood impact at the local, regional and global levels to achieve a more sustainable, resilient, inclusive and hunger-free food future for all.

The WFF underscores the importance of innovation, partnerships and increased investments in agrifood systems. Recognizing the complexities and the need for adaptable solutions, it seeks to foster a collective approach where youth, women, Indigenous Peoples and farmers lead the way. The goal is to co-create actionable strategies that address global food security and climate challenges, tailored to diverse local contexts.

## What is the World Food Forum flagship event?

The WFF flagship event is a dynamic global platform

that transcends boundaries, generations and sectors to transform the future of our agrifood systems. From 14 to 18 October 2024, both at the Headquarters of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO) in Rome, Italy, and on our [interactive virtual platform](#), the 2024 event will bring together world experts, impassioned changemakers and visionary leaders of all ages around the theme: **“Good food for all, for today and tomorrow”**.

Organized into three interlinked fora – the [WFF Global Youth Forum](#), the [FAO Science and Innovation Forum](#) and the [FAO Hand-in-Hand Investment Forum](#) – the 2024 flagship event leverages the power of intergenerational collaboration, as well as partnerships and action across policy, science, innovation, education, culture and investment. This year, the event will also host the 2024 edition of the annual [World Food Day Celebrations](#) and the [High-Level Rome Water Dialogue on WASAG - The Global Framework on Water Scarcity in Agriculture](#), as well as the [Global Family Farming Forum](#), ensuring even more inclusivity, dialogues and solutions for the present and future of our agrifood systems.

Be empowered to co-create a future where food security and environmental sustainability are a universal reality. Whether you are looking to learn about this year's theme, share your knowledge and ideas with others, recognize and celebrate groundbreaking solutions, or collaborate and forge powerful networks, this global forum is an inclusive

invitation to all people of all generations and backgrounds to become driving forces behind the change the world urgently needs.

Registration gives you access to:

- Thought-provoking discussions, dialogues and debates;
- Trailblazing roundtables and policy discussions with stakeholders and policymakers;
- Eye-opening insights from global visionaries, leading experts and local changemakers;
- Collaborative workshops on emerging trends and technologies, practical skills and best practices;
- Interactive demonstrations and exhibitions;
- Cutting-edge research and innovative solutions;
- Empowering tools to make tangible impacts in your communities and beyond.

In short, you will walk away from the WFF flagship event prepared with the knowledge, solutions, connections and inspiration to take action in your community, scale up your impact and expedite agrifood systems transformation, bringing good food for all, for today and tomorrow.

Join us to embark on a transformative journey that will shape the world we inherit and revolutionize the way we nourish ourselves and our planet for generations to come.

## Global Youth Forum

The **Global Youth Forum** brings young people together in a safe and inclusive space to discuss, advocate and co-identify priorities and solutions on the way forward to catalyze the transformation of agrifood systems. Under the overall theme “Good food for all, for today and tomorrow”, the Global Youth Forum harnesses the passion and power of youth and incites positive action for agrifood systems through youth empowerment. It acts as a catalytic movement and driver of youth engagement in food governance, and serves as a knowledge center and innovation lab, fostering and inspiring youth-led solutions.

In 2024, the Global Youth Forum is mobilizing youth and youth supporters worldwide to spark holistic and strategic transformations across agrifood systems, building multi-sector partnerships to achieve a sustainable, resilient and inclusive food future for all.

## Youth Assembly

The **Youth Assembly** serves as a year-round open and inclusive platform for young people to co-create

You will find the full agenda for the flagship event in [this link!](#)



and engage in policy discussions about various agrifood systems related issues. It brings together young individuals, youth entities, organizations and constituencies to discuss specific policy topics or issues within agrifood systems and develop joint recommendations or solutions.

In 2022, the Youth Assembly produced the **Youth Action Regional Compendium**, which is a synthesis of regional youth policy priorities that were identified through the analysis and summary of youth statements and manifestos. It sets the working areas and topics per region, representing youth perspectives on the top policy areas that need to be addressed.

Co-created by passionate youth leaders and led by the **WFF Youth Policy Board**, our Assembly thrives on inclusivity, diversity and utmost respect for everyone.

*The Youth Assembly is not affiliated nor aligned with any political group or organization.*

In 2024, the Youth Assembly expanded its reach beyond the WFF annual flagship event by hosting regular virtual thematic and regional sessions to discuss key topics that shape the future of agrifood systems, ensuring youth voices are heard in ongoing policy debates. The Assembly will culminate in a hybrid event at the flagship event from 14 to 18 October, with follow-up sessions continuing through December, wrapping up a year of impactful discussions and initiatives. During the flagship event,

the draft of the Global Youth Action Plan 2025-2026 will be consulted with youth groups across the world, leading to its official launch. This biannual roadmap of youth-led actions aims to translate policy recommendations into concrete actions for impact on the ground.

As a global network of partners promoting agrifood systems transformation, the Assembly will allow youth delegations to engage with actors across all sectors, experiencing multicultural activities, intergenerational dialogue and generating multilateral impact. As an inclusive space, the Youth Assembly welcomes all people and encourages diversity in all its forms, including political, intellectual, sectoral, cultural, religious, socio-economical, gender and geographical.

## Youth Innovation Lab

The **WFF Youth Innovation Lab** supports youth-led innovation, offering visibility, capacity development and funding to elevate, develop and scale high-impact solutions to address agrifood systems challenges.

### WHAT NOT TO MISS

#### TRANSFORMATIVE RESEARCH CHALLENGE (TRC) FINALS

The TRC is a global competition that aims to engage university students and young researchers



to develop research that will have a high impact in accelerating the transformation of our agrifood systems.

### STARTUP INNOVATION AWARDS (SIA) FINALS

The SIA is a global startup competition aiming to showcase innovators and entrepreneurs who are harnessing the power of technology to drive the sustainable transformation of agrifood systems.

### YOUTH FOOD LAB (YFL) FINAL EVENT

The YFL is an incubator programme and global network for teams of young innovators, researchers and entrepreneurs to develop their idea-stage solutions into successful and impactful businesses and projects.

## Youth Education

The **WFF Youth Education programme** provides access to knowledge, ideas and actions for agrifood systems transformation. It aims to inspire young people to take action and it provides resources for teachers and educators to deliver materials related to local agrifood issues.

The WFF's educational programmes and activities also incorporate behavioural science in order to increase the likelihood of achieving positive behavioural change in people of all ages.

## WHAT NOT TO MISS

### AGX FAIR FINAL SHOWCASE

The WFF AgX Fair showcases formal and non-formal education projects from educators and young people around the world. Its goal is to recognize excellence and share good practices within agrifood systems education. The Final Showcase highlights projects from five exceptional agrifood education projects from around the globe.

### JUNIOR WORLD FOOD DAY | WORLD FOOD FORUM SCHOOL ASSEMBLY

This year, the **Junior World Food Day** will join forces with the **World Food Forum's School Assembly** as one large event for students at FAO headquarters. More than 1 000 students will join a conversation on food with international leaders, youth activists, sports food heroes and celebrities. This fun event will be packed with stories, music, interactive quizzes and games, guaranteed to inspire action for a sustainable, food-secure future.

### DISCOVERY STATIONS

Following the Junior World Food Day | WFF School Assembly, students are invited to participate in fun and interactive educational stations throughout FAO headquarters, which will focus on a range of environmental and social topics such as energy, biodiversity, plastic pollution, climate change and nutrition.

The Discovery Stations will engage, encourage and empower youth to adopt and promote sustainable behaviours.



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### YOUNG SCIENTISTS GROUP - REPORT LAUNCH

Youth engagement is pivotal for agrifood systems transformation and young scientists can contribute fresh perspectives, innovative approaches and a deep understanding of emerging ideas and technologies. In this context, the **WFF Young Scientists Group (YSG)** will launch and present their report on digital technologies for multi-dimensional youth engagement in agrifood systems transformation. The session will highlight how digital technologies not only enhance productivity, efficiency of tasks and communication across agrifood supply chains but also impact the lives of youth, supporting their livelihoods, research, entrepreneurial projects and meaningful engagement in decision-making processes.

### POLICY AND DELIBERATION CHALLENGE FINALS

The **Youth Policy and Deliberation Challenge (PDC)** is a WFF initiative that calls on young, policy-oriented students, experts and researchers to collaborate on dynamic and bold solutions to address pressing agricultural and environmental issues. These innovative policy proposals focus on three of the most pressing issues facing our agrifood systems: food waste, sustainable water management and healthy diets.

### Local Youth Action

The **WFF Local Youth Action** empowers local youth to initiate and sustain solution building in their communities, inform policymaking in their countries and build lasting

transformation in their local agrifood systems. Through supporting the development of country-based youth agrifood platforms (WFF National Chapters) and engagement with FAO's decentralized offices, the WFF local action programmes and activities empower local youth voices, leadership and action in changing the present and future of agrifood systems.

### NATIONAL CHAPTERS

A **WFF National Chapter** is a self-organized national youth agrifood platform aligned with the WFF's principles and mission and convened by a local network of partners in collaboration with FAO's decentralized office and government.

WFF National Chapters break the fragmentation among youth-focused agrifood organizations and synergize youth efforts to catalyze context-specific positive impact and change in agrifood systems. Moreover, the WFF National Chapters provide an institutional structure for FAO's decentralized offices to implement youth-related programming.

Currently, the WFF has 14 established National Chapters and at the WFF flagship event, it will welcome 11 additional National Chapters!

### WHAT NOT TO MISS

#### REGIONAL FORUM EVENTS

As a complementary addition to the WFF flagship event, Regional Forum Events are organized by FAO



Decentralized Offices in different countries and time zones to provide a platform for in-depth discussion, exploration and learning on key topics. In line with the theme “Good for all, for today and tomorrow”, the events will foster actionable and out-of-the-box ideas, best practices and experiences from the regional and local level to feed into the global deliberations on agrifood systems transformation.

At the flagship event, look out for Regional Forum Events organized by FAO Regional, Liaison and Country Offices!

### LAUNCH OF WFF NATIONAL CHAPTERS

Following the year-long systematic buildup, do not miss the launch of 11 new WFF National Chapters! These Chapters will also be showcasing their impactful activities and initiatives driving real sustained change at the local level.

## Youth Culture

What do film, art, music, cooking and other cultural activities have to do with the growing climate crisis and our strained agrifood systems? These cultural threads sew the fabric of a connected world that transcends all boundaries, including languages and physical borders.

The **WFF Youth Culture programme** uses gastronomy, film, art and music as a catalyst to connect youth worldwide through our shared passions to spark discussion and action around ongoing issues to help transform agrifood systems.

### WHAT NOT TO MISS

#### WFF CONCERT

The WFF flagship event will feature a line-up of young and talented musicians from all over the world performing throughout the week, all connected to climate and agrifood systems. The main concert will take place on the first day of the flagship event. Stay tuned for this year’s WFF anthem!

#### THE FOURTH ANNUAL WFF FILM FESTIVAL

At the **WFF Film Festival**, the winners of our Short Film Competition will be announced in addition to fascinating short panels from international players in media, film, TV and more. The projects will shed light on how film can trigger a positive impact in areas like food security, nutrition and gastronomy to facilitate agrifood systems transformation. Join during the flagship event or catch the winning films on the WFF YouTube channel after the event.

#### EXHIBITIONS & CULTURAL EVENTS

The WFF flagship event will communicate and raise awareness of the growing climate crisis and our strained agrifood systems through art exhibitions, gastronomy events and more.

Our experiences also go beyond FAO’s Headquarters to the beautiful **botanical gardens of Rome**, where we will host an art exhibition from 11 October to 8 November, open to the public.



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## FAO Hand-in-Hand Investment Forum

The **FAO Hand-in-Hand Investment Forum** aims to mobilize public and private sector investments in selected priority areas, identified using sound criteria and methods, to eliminate rural poverty and hunger. The Forum is designed to enhance and foster an inclusive dialogue among governments, private sector and development partners to produce concrete results and improve the lives of the rural poor.

It emphasizes the essential role of the private sector at national and international levels, as well as International Financial Institutions, in ensuring a successful in-country outcome of the Hand-in-Hand Initiative. It also serves to build momentum around actions that governments, businesses and the international community can take to accelerate and implement the 2030 Agenda, bridging the gap between the countries' needs for public/private investment in deprived rural areas to scale up production, trade and value chains and the private investors' appetites for opportunities and diversified returns.

During the WFF flagship event, the Forum will host presentations of around 30 countries of the FAO Hand-in-Hand Initiative, as potential investment, and intervention opportunities, providing evaluation by representatives of Multilateral Development Banks, national and global agrifood private sector



entities, institutional investors, national development banks and donors, among other stakeholders and development partners.

## FAO Science and Innovation Forum

The main theme of the **FAO Science and Innovation Forum (SIF) 2024** is “Inclusive Science and Innovation for Agrifood Systems Transformation, Leaving No One Behind”, aligned with the WFF 2024 overall theme of “Good food for all, for today and tomorrow”.

This Forum serves as a platform for dialogue, knowledge exchange and collaboration amongst scientists, innovators, policymakers, farmers' organizations and stakeholders from diverse sectors.

### WHAT NOT TO MISS

The sessions at the Forum will be organized around three critical topics:

- **Biotechnologies:** Exploring the latest advancements and applications in biotechnology to enhance agricultural productivity, resilience and sustainability;
- **Community-Driven Innovations:** Highlighting grassroots innovations and community-led initiatives that drive local and regional agrifood systems transformation; and
- **Digital Agriculture:** Examining the role of digital technologies, such as precision farming, the Internet of Things and Artificial



Intelligence in revolutionizing agricultural practices and improving supply chain efficiencies.

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solutions and harnessing the power of behavioural science.

A session dedicated to the Rome Water Dialogue will be organized on 17 October. It will focus on exploring how innovative approaches in water management can increase water productivity, with concrete case studies from the field.

These topics have been selected not only for their significant role in transitioning towards efficient, inclusive, resilient and sustainable agrifood systems, but also because of the questions they raise and the sometimes-polarizing viewpoints they elicit.

To achieve meaningful impact, we need to address critical challenges such as closing the science, technology and innovation (STI) gap in low- and middle-income countries, scaling up successful

Building on the success of SIF 2023, the Forum brings together globally recognized science and innovation experts and encourages a diversity of perspectives based on science. It facilitates inclusive debate and showcases how science and innovation can be leveraged for agrifood systems transformation.



## World Food Day

Food is the third most basic human need after air and water – everyone should have the right to adequate food. This year, **World Food Day** with the theme, “Right to ‘foods’ for a better life and a better future” talks about ‘foods’ with an ‘s’ to underline the need for universal access to a variety of nutritious, affordable, accessible, safe and sustainable foods. A greater diversity of nutritious foods should be available in our fields, fishing nets, markets and on our tables, for the benefit of all.

The annual World Food Day ceremony will take place at FAO Headquarters at 10:00 CEST on 16 October. The Heads of the Rome-based UN agencies will be joined by high-level speakers with special messages from Pope Francis and the UN Secretary-General, António Guterres as well as the presentation of FAO Awards. [Click here for more information on the programme.](#)

## Junior World Food Day | World Food Forum School Assembly

Junior World Food Day is back and joining forces with the World Food Forum’s School Assembly. If you cannot make it in person, [register to watch it online.](#)

Join us for a journey of inspiration filled with stories, music, interactive quizzes and a conversation about food guaranteed to inspire action. Special guests include international leaders, youth activists, sports food heroes and celebrities.

The event will also feature a live performance by the multicultural Piccola Orchestra di Tor Pignattara and friends. Get ready for some dancing!

### WHAT NOT TO MISS

#### JOIN THE “RIGHT TO FOODS” EXPERIENCE!

This year’s exhibit spotlights food as a human right, emphasizing the need for accessible, nutritious, affordable and sustainable food for everyone.

In the **Atrium of the FAO headquarters**, visitors can choose a food action, snap a photo and share it on a live interactive photo wall – a global mosaic showcasing our collective effort to drive positive change. And don’t miss the **Youth Corner**, featuring fun SDG-themed learning activities and two new Children’s Activity Books designed to inspire and educate young minds.



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### MORE INFORMATION ON WORLD DAY ACTIVITIES

> [Head to their website here](#)



Check out **Building A's exterior window display** featuring actions for a food-secure future and inspiring stories of food heroes worldwide.

And there's even more to see as the **"80-1 Countdown"** to FAO's anniversary begins! An immersive experience in the **Flag Hall** traces FAO's history and offers a sneak peek at the upcoming Global Food and Agriculture Museum and Network, set to open next year. Move onto **Building B's marble staircase** showcasing the first decade of FAO's achievements for World Food Day. Stay tuned as seven other decades are unveiled on new floors each month in the build-up to October 2025.



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## Rome Water Dialogue

Established in 2022, the Rome Water Dialogue, organized annually by FAO, serves as a crucial platform to build momentum and foster practical actions in integrated water resources management. This initiative offers FAO Members and key stakeholders an opportunity to raise the awareness of water's vital role in achieving all SDGs, particularly by strengthening the link between the water and agriculture sectors – the latter being the largest global water user. It also underscores the need to develop innovative solutions for the future.

### WHAT NOT TO MISS

The 2024 edition, titled the “**High-Level Rome Water Dialogue on WASAG**”, will be held as part of the World Food Forum. This event will center on the **Global Framework on Water Scarcity in Agriculture (WASAG)**, a partnership hosted by FAO and launched in 2016 to address the collective challenge of optimizing water use in agriculture to ensure food security for all.

This event aims to elevate the visibility, commitment, and impact of the WASAG partnership. Key outcomes include the establishment of a new FAO Member-led Steering Committee and the adoption of the Rome Declaration on Water Scarcity in Agriculture.

The High-Level Rome Water Dialogue on WASAG will take place in the Plenary Hall at FAO Headquarters on 17 October from 14:00 to 17:00 CEST.

Join us for a visually stunning experience at the Rome Water Dialogue exhibition, from 14 to 18 October in the FAO Atrium. The exhibition will highlight the critical role of water, our planet's most precious resource, in producing “Good food for all, for today and tomorrow”, and underline the importance of sustainable agricultural water management for food security and nutrition.



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## Global Family Farming Forum

Since its launch in 2019, the **United Nations Decade on Family Farming (UNDF)** has been a catalyst for policy change. Over these five years, 16 countries have approved national action plans on family farming, and 49 others have initiated processes to develop their own. The engagement of over 2 625 stakeholders, including governments, parliamentary alliances and 1 853 family farmers' organizations, signifies the collaborative efforts driving positive change.

In 2024, the UNDF is at its halfway point. To mark this important milestone, this Global Family Farming Forum will celebrate family farming as the backbone of diverse, innovative and dynamic agrifood systems. The Forum will identify policy innovations that support family farming and showcase successful experiences from all over the world. With a focus on innovation, gender equality, science, investment and support for family farming, the Forum will be led by young farmers.

These young leaders will guide discussions on priorities for the future of agrifood systems, emphasizing the crucial role of family farming in achieving sustainable development through six technical sessions:

### WHAT NOT TO MISS

- Public policy innovations for family farming;
- Sowing Rights: uptake of global policy instruments;
- Investing in family farming;
- Access and use of natural resources;
- Family farming for climate-resilient food systems; and
- Diversified market opportunities for family farming.

### VENUE

After the high-level opening session in the FAO Plenary Hall, the Global Family Farming Forum will move to a specially built farm venue. This space will be centred around innovation: an exhibition area will display creative solutions by family farmers from around the world. It will also accommodate a global radio station broadcasting the discussions during the Forum to broader audiences across the world.



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# 02 WFF FLAGSHIP EVENT: Practical information

## In-person participation

### ARRIVING AT THE FLAGSHIP VENUE

The WFF flagship event will take place at the headquarters of FAO.

The FAO headquarters is located in the city center of Rome, near the metro station Circo Massimo and close to the Colosseum. It is a white building that is easy to recognize. Ostiense is the closest train station (15 – 20 minutes walking distance).



## Virtual participation

For virtual participation, you can register [here](#).

### ADDRESS:

Viale delle Terme di Caracalla,  
00153 Roma RM – Italy

> [Find it on Google Maps](#)

### ACCESSING THE WI-FI

Wi-Fi Name: FAO-Guest  
Password: FAOunited2024



## Collecting your badge

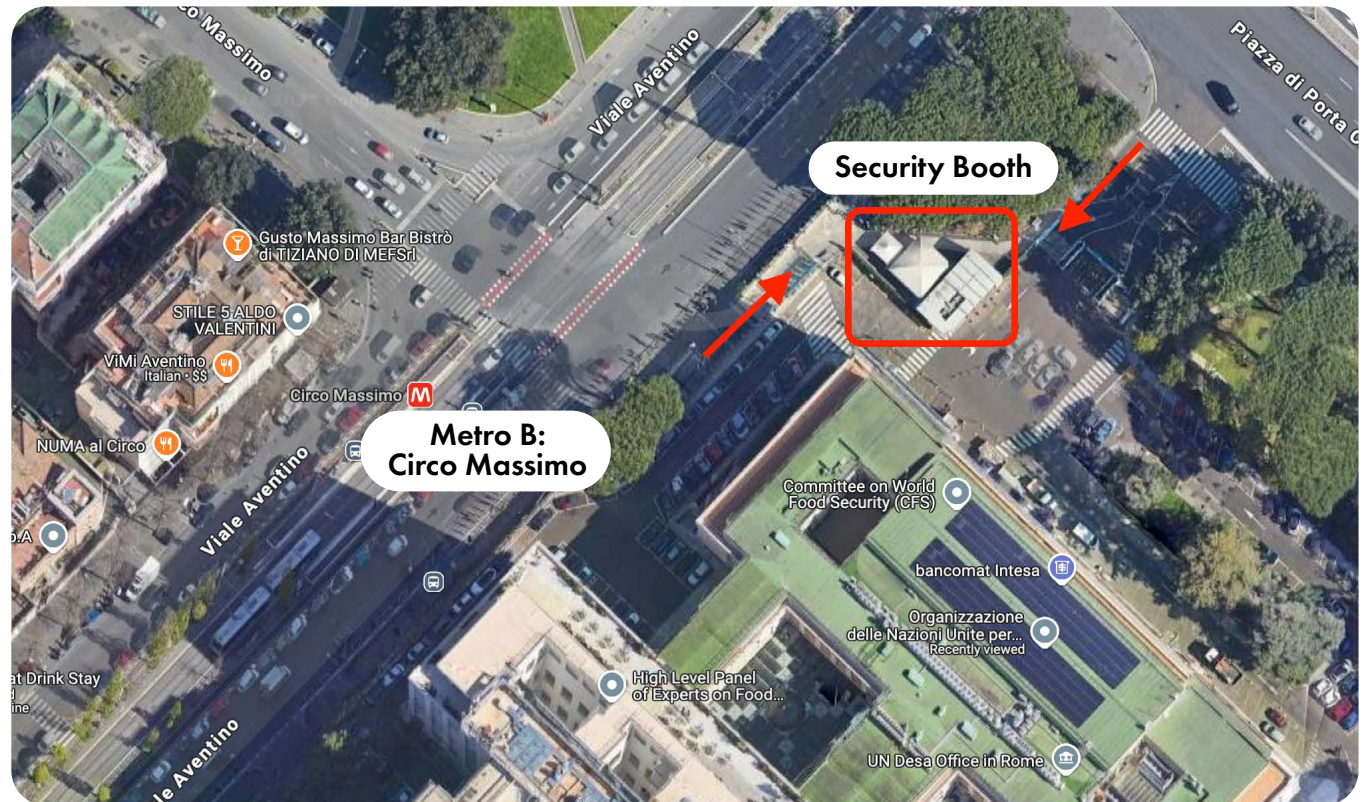
All participants need to collect their badges in order to attend the flagship event. To collect yours, you will have to **present your passport or ID card** at the Visitors Reception Pavilion, at the entrance of FAO Headquarters. Considering that this process may take you some time, you are encouraged to arrive at the building at least 30 to 60 minutes ahead of the scheduled time of the session you wish to attend.

You can also pick up your badge at FAO headquarters during the weekend before the flagship event, 12-13 October, 08:00 – 17:00 CEST. We recommend you pick up your badge over the weekend to avoid long queues during the week.

Shown in the picture to the right, the security booth is located at the main entrance of the FAO building. Follow the signs "visitor" either at the Viale Aventino or Piazza di Porta Capena entrances.

Access to the FAO building is only available with the WFF badge, please make sure to always carry it with you! **Registration for in-person attendance closes on 7 October**, after which it will only be possible to register to attend the WFF virtually.

Kindly note that badges are only prepared for pre-registered delegates. Badges cannot be issued during the week of the flagship.



## Food at FAO

Within the FAO building there are three coffee shops, a cafeteria and a restaurant. These facilities only accept Euro currency, and you may pay with cash, credit or debit card, including contactless cards.

### POLISH BAR

**OPEN 07:30 – 17:00 CEST**

Coffee shop located on the ground floor of Building A. Serves coffee, tea, drinks, cakes and sandwiches all day, with international food from different cuisines during lunch time.

### UZBEKISTAN LOUNGE

**OPEN 8:00 – 17:00 CEST**

Coffee shop located on the 8<sup>th</sup> floor of Building C. They serve an expanded selection of sandwiches, salads, pastries, yogurts, ice creams, fruit and beverages.

### FOUNTAIN BAR

**OPEN 8:00 – 15:00 CEST**

Coffee stand located on the 8<sup>th</sup> floor of Building B. Offers an assortment of coffee, teas, pastries, sandwiches, yogurts and beverages.

### EDEN BAR

**OPEN 07:30 – 17:00 CEST**

Cafeteria and coffee shop location on the ground floor of Building D. Serves an assortment of sandwiches, pizzas, fresh salads, hot and cold main dishes for lunch, beverages, yoghurts, ice creams, fruits and coffee.

### FOOD COURT

**OPEN 12:00 – 14:30 CEST**

Self-service option offering a variety of organic and international food choices located on the 8th floor of Building B – access through the lift next to the flag room. They serve entrees, pasta, grilled meat or cheese, salads, desserts and drinks.

### RESTAURANT BUFFET

**OPEN 12:00 – 14:30 CEST**

Located on the 8<sup>th</sup> floor of Building C. They offer an open buffet food choice.

Throughout the building you will find vending machines for coffee, tea and soft drinks. You will also find drinking water fountains – **bring a reusable bottle!**

## WFF flagship event food trucks

As an additional food option during the WFF flagship event week, food trucks will be made available at the Building D parking lot. These food trucks will serve local Italian dishes from youth-owned establishments, as well as a coffee point. However, please note that prices vary and will typically be slightly more expensive than FAO cafeterias.

### ESTIMATED FAO FOOD PRICES:

**Coffee** – around 1.00 Euro

**Sandwiches** – from 1.50 to 4.00 Euros

**Cold and hot meals** – from 3.00 to 7.00 Euros

**Restaurant Buffet** – 12.00 Euros for all you can eat



## Health advisory to participants

- Attendees will need to ensure that they are in possession of a health insurance coverage policy valid in Italy to cover personal health requirements.
- In case of an emergency, for immediate medical attention or to call an ambulance dial 112 from any telephone in Italy.
- Participants should have enough stock of medications they are regularly using as these might not always be available in Italy.
- Participants travelling from countries with endemic diseases should have their vaccination cards ready with all required vaccines completed as this information might be necessary in cases of health emergencies.
- FAO emergency medical teams will be on stand-by in the building. Contact FAO Security or an event focal point for assistance.
- If you do not feel well during the events (body fatigue and muscles pain, feeling of fever, sore throat, chills, cough, diarrhoea, headache or other signs or symptoms), kindly stay at your accommodation and call for assistance.
- Masks and hand sanitization stands can be found in various locations in the building, and participants are encouraged to use them to safeguard their safety and protect those around them.

## Lost and found

If you lose an item and believe it is within the FAO Headquarters, you can visit the Lost and Found desk at the security office indicated on the map found in this guide. Please note that if they find your item, you may need to indicate the specifications of this item and present your ID.

### FAO SECURITY

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# Building map

## EVENT ROOMS

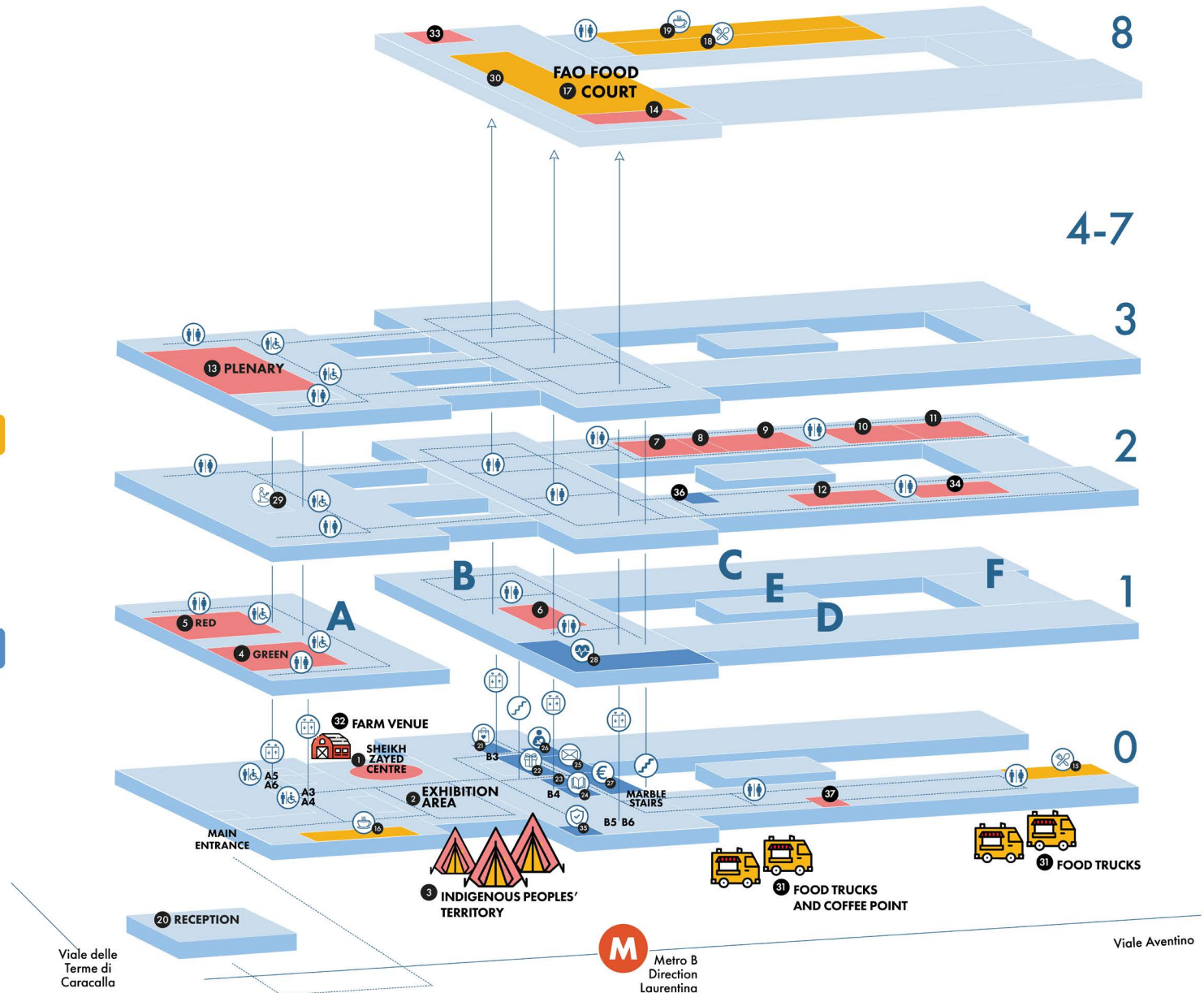
GROUND FLOOR	BLDG.	ELEVATOR
1. Sheikh Zayed Centre	B	
2. Exhibition Area	B	
3. Indigenous Peoples' Territory	A	Parking lot
32. FARM Venue	A	Parking lot
37. Acceleration Zone	D	
1 <sup>ST</sup> FLOOR		
4. Green Room	A	A3-6
5. Red Room	A	A3-6
6. Iran Room	B	
2 <sup>ND</sup> FLOOR		
7. Ethiopia	C	B3-6
8. Nigeria	C	B3-6
9. Philippines	C	B3-6
10. German	C	B3-6
11. Austria	C	B3-6
12. Mexico	D	B3-6
34. King Faisal	D	B3-6
3 <sup>RD</sup> FLOOR		
13. Plenary Hall	A	A3-6
8 <sup>TH</sup> FLOOR		
14. Uzbekistan Lounge	B	B3-6
33. Morocco	B	B3-6

## FOOD AND DRINK

GROUND FLOOR	BLDG.	ELEVATOR
15. Eden Cafe	D	
16. Polish Bar	A	
8 <sup>TH</sup> FLOOR		
17. FAO Food Court	B	B3-6
18. FAO Restaurant	C	B3-6
19. Uzbekistan Lounge	B	B3-6
31. Food Trucks	D	Parking Lot

## SHOPS AND SERVICES

GROUND FLOOR	BLDG.	ELEVATOR
20. Reception		
21. UNWG Shop	B	
22. FAO Gift Shop	B	
23. Relax & Recharge	B	
24. FAO Book Shop	B	
25. Lactation Room	B	
26. Post Office	B	
27. Bank (ATM)	B	
35. Security Services		
1 <sup>ST</sup> FLOOR		
28. Medical Center	B	B3-6
29. Meditation Room	A	A3-6
2 <sup>ND</sup> FLOOR		
36. Cash Office	D	B3-6
8 <sup>TH</sup> FLOOR		
30. FAO Terrace	B	B3-6



BLDG = Building

# 03 ARRIVAL IN ROME

Rome has two international airports: **Leonardo da Vinci Airport** (at Fiumicino) - FCO, which is used by major airlines, and **Ciampino Airport** - CIA. Although both are located outside the city center, there are easy connection lines that you can take.

## FROM THE FCO AIRPORT TRAIN STATION TO THE FAO BUILDING BY TRAIN

The **Leonardo Express** is a non-stop train that costs 14.00 Euros and takes 30 minutes from Fiumicino airport to **Termini Station**. From Termini Station, take the Metro Line B (direction Laurentina) for three stops and get off at **Circo Massimo**. You will see FAO right across the street.

**Regional Trenitalia Services:** From Fiumicino airport you can also take a train to **Roma Ostiense Station** (any of the following final destinations work: Roma Tiburtina, Fara Sabina, Poggio Mirteto or Orte). These trains stop at every station and cost 8.00 Euros. You will reach Roma Ostiense Station after a ride of approximately 28 minutes. Roma Ostiense Station is connected to the **Piramide** stop of Metro Line B. Take the Metro in the Rebibbia direction for one stop and get off at Circo Massimo (you will see the FAO building to your right as you come up the steps).

## FROM FCO AIRPORT TO THE FAO BUILDING BY TAXI

A taxi from Fiumicino Airport to FAO or any other area within the historical Aurelian Walls should cost around 50.00 Euros (fixed rate for Taxis registered

with the Municipality of Rome; NB: tariffs are 60.00 Euros if you take a taxi from the Municipality of Fiumicino).

Upon arriving at FCO, make sure to follow the instructions at the arrival gates to reach the train station. Fiumicino is bigger and usually busier than Ciampino, but the train station is located right across the street, connected with a skybridge from the arrivals area.

## FROM CIA AIRPORT TO THE FAO BUILDING

You can take a shuttle bus from the Airport or ride Metro line A from Anagnina to reach the Central Station (Termini). From there, take the Metro Line B (direction Laurentina) for three stops to Circo Massimo.

**Tip:** Anyone offering taxi services from inside the terminal is doing so illegally, and they may also charge higher prices. Make sure your taxi has a meter and insist on the metered fare rather than an arranged price (except for the fixed fare taxi from FCO to Rome).

## Transportation in Rome

Roma Termini is Rome's biggest train station. Termini is not only the main railway station but the major transport interchange for Rome. Trastevere and Ostiense stations are secondary stations.

To reach the FAO headquarters from Termini, you can take Metro line B in the direction of Laurentina, and get off at Circo Massimo Station. The FAO building is located right outside the station.

The metro runs approximately every 7 – 10 minutes from 05:30 – 23:30 CEST, Sunday to Thursday, and until 01:30 CEST in the morning on Fridays and Saturdays.

Please be aware that the Metro A line is under construction and the metro works from Sunday to Thursday until 21:00 CEST. After that, there is a substitute bus doing the same route. On Fridays and Saturdays, Metro A has regular service until 01:30 CEST.

We advise you to constantly use the **Google Maps** or **Moovit** apps to keep up with the working hours of public transport. Usually when metro lines stop, substitute buses are made available, however they work at a much slower pace.

**WHERE TO BUY TRAVEL CARDS AND TICKETS?** Public transportation tickets in Rome can be bought in vending machines in any metro station, convenience

stores or newsagents. You may also use the **tap & go** service: you just need a contactless credit, debit or prepaid card. Access to the metro lines is possible also with digital cards on NFC-enabled devices (smartphones, smartwatches etc.). Find all the latest information [here](#).

- **One-way ticket (BIT) 1.50 EUROS:** The BIT ticket lasts 100 minutes since its first validation and allows for unlimited transfers between the metro, buses, trams and urban trains within stations. The ticket is no longer valid once you leave the station, even if it's in the 100 minutes of validity.
- **MULTIBIT - 10 single ride tickets from 3.00 EUROS to 15.00 EUROS:** Valid for 2, 5 or 10 trips of 100 minutes each from its first validation, for a single journey on a metro/train urban route. Once the first 100 minutes have run out, the ticket can be reactivated for an additional 100 minutes by validating it once again, and so on up to 10 reactivations.
- **Metrebus 24 hours - 7.00 EUROS:** This ticket allows unlimited public transportation from the moment the ticket is validated until midnight of the same day.
- **Metrebus 48 hours 12.50 EUROS:** The 48-hour ticket allows unlimited use of Rome's public transport for 48 hours from the time it is first used.



One-way ticket (BIT)  
€ 1.50



MULTIBIT  
€3.00 – €15.00



Weekly pass (CIS)  
€ 24.00



Metrebus  
24 hours  
€ 7.00



Metrebus  
48 hours  
€ 12.50



Metrebus  
72 hours  
€ 18.00



- **Metrebus 72 hours 18.00 EUROS:** It allows unlimited use of public transport for 72 hours from the time it is used for the first time.
- **Weekly pass (CIS) 24.00 EUROS:** If you're going to spend a week in Rome and you plan to use public transport a lot, the ideal option for you is the weekly pass, as you'll be able to use unlimited public transport for 7 days. Note: The same type of tickets can be used for metro, bus and tram, and sometimes train.

You usually do not need sandals or thermal layers in Rome in the autumn. Short sleeves, jeans or long trousers, a cardigan and a light jacket are usually sufficient.

#### OTHER USEFUL INFORMATION

Be aware that the voltage of electricity in Italy and the rest of Europe is 220 volts.

## Weather in Rome

The weather during this time of the year is changeable and you may find yourself not only in need of different outfits on different days but also reaching out for an extra layer at certain times of the day. Fall is a transition season in Rome and temperatures are usually in the mid-20s C and rain is possible.

Essentials will be:

- **Good walking shoes** – opt for waterproof shoes that can take the occasional shower of rain and bring two pairs, should you get caught in one of Rome's torrential downpours!
- **A midseason jacket** – A light jacket and/or a waterproof jacket.

## Contact Information

For any issues or queries, please reach out to: [wff-enquiries@fao.org](mailto:wff-enquiries@fao.org)

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