SHAPING THE TRANSITION TO SUSTAINABLE FOOD SYSTEMS
WHO WE ARE

IPES-Food is an independent panel of experts with a mission to promote transition to sustainable food systems around the world. Since 2015, IPES-Food has shaped the debate on global food system reform through scientific reports and detailed policy recommendations.

WHAT WE’VE ACHIEVED SO FAR

- Advanced the scientific consensus on agroecology and helped to mainstream it into **GLOBAL AGRI-DEVELOPMENT POLICIES AND PROGRAMMES**, including PRACAS2 in Senegal, FAO Scaling Up Agroecology Initiative, Global Environment Facility

- Shaped understanding of the **BARRIERS TO FOOD SYSTEMS REFORM** (‘lock-ins’), an approach widely taken up by researchers and civil society groups

- Co-developed **A COMMON FOOD POLICY VISION** now guiding European Commission strategy, and endorsed by multiple European Parliament parties, the European Economic and Social Committee, and the Committee of the Regions

- **BUILT COALITIONS** of 50+ CSOs, farmers’ organizations, and scientific groups to advocate for sustainable food systems in West Africa and Europe
Regularly **FEATURED IN LEADING PRINT AND ONLINE MEDIA**, including Reuters, EFE, Politico, The Guardian, Le Monde, El Pais, La Vanguardia, Civil Eats, and Food Tank

Delivered commissioned reports and **STRATEGIC ADVICE** to the Global Alliance on the Future of Food, the European Foundations Centre, and other philanthropic organizations

**ELECTED TO THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE** of the Sustainable Food Systems Programme of the UN 10YFP

Provided expert advice to the European Commission on the **BAYER-MONSANTO MERGER** (‘3rd party status’)
HOW WE WORK

• With experts from 18 countries across 5 continents, the panel brings together groundbreaking thinkers on global food systems, including a World Food Prize laureate, a former UN Special Rapporteur, a holder of the Légion d'Honneur, a Balzan Prizewinner, and two recipients of the Right Livelihood Award.

• Comprising environmental scientists, development economists, nutritionists, agronomists, and sociologists, as well as experienced practitioners from civil society and social movements, the panel takes a systemic approach that recognizes the complex and interconnected nature of challenges in food systems, and the power relations that shape decision-making.

PANEL MEMBERS

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With a track record of co-constructing solutions with a wide range of food system actors, IPES-Food takes a democratic approach to knowledge that values cutting-edge science while recognizing the importance of experiential, indigenous, and traditional knowledge.

IPES-Food does not accept funding from governments or corporations, allowing the panel to deliver independent analysis that addresses the most pressing questions.
REPORTS

- Unravelling the Food–Health Nexus: Addressing practices, political economy, and power relations to build healthier food systems (2017)
- What makes urban food policy happen? Insights from 5 case studies (2017)
- Advocacy4Agroecology: The Political Economy of Agricultural R&D (upcoming – in partnership with Biovision and IDS)
- High Steaks: Assessing the sustainability of meat, fish, dairy, and alternative proteins (upcoming)
- Food identities and food cultures: Understanding the cultural politics of food (upcoming)
- Food environments: How eating is shaped (upcoming)
MULTI-STAKEHOLDER PROCESSES

- Towards a Common Food Policy for the EU (2016-2019)
- Bringing Agroecological Alternatives to Light in West Africa (2017-)
- A Food policy for the US (2019-)
- The Long Food Movement: An 18-month exploration of where business-as-usual will leave food systems in 2045, and how enhanced civil society collaboration could improve outcomes (2019-2020 – in partnership with ETC Group)
WHAT NEXT

OVER THE COMING YEARS, IPES-FOOD ASPIRES TO:

- **INFLUENCE POLICY DEBATES**
  in a growing number of countries and regions

- **ANALYZE THE LATEST TRENDS,**
  from the rise of meat substitutes to the digitization of food systems

- **CONNECT WITH NEW AUDIENCES,**
  from grassroots climate campaigners to the next generation of food system policymakers

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