

Investing in rural people Investir dans les populations rurales Invertir en la población rural الاستثمار في السكان الريفيين

## **European Commission and Rome-based agencies event**

3 July 2014 from 15.00 to 16.30 hours

## IFAD Headquarters Italian conference room

"Promoting global food and nutrition security and increased resilience for poor rural people: the perspectives of the European Commission and Rome-based agencies"

The European Commission and the Rome-based United Nations agencies (RBAs) signed a statement of intent on 27 June 2011 on programmatic cooperation on food security and nutrition.

Over the past three years, good work has been started to deliver on this partnership, for example the ongoing CFS discussion and negotiations on the agenda for action on food security in protracted crisis countries. Building on each agency's comparative advantage, the RBA's have joined forces with the European Commission, to support food and nutrition security programmes in several countries in Africa, including in context of AGIR and SAHEL. In June 2013, the European Commission announced its action plan for building resilience in crisis-prone countries, which is in line with the set of common principles agreed by the RBAs to guide their work at on resilience at country level.

This event provides a platform for the partners to report on progress made, illustrate some of recent initiatives and reflect upon the challenges ahead, as well as placing them in the context of ongoing work on defining the post-2015 development agenda.

Agenda 3 July 2014	
15:00-15:05	Welcome by IFAD President, Kanayo F. Nwanze
15:05-15:15	Statement by European Commissioner for Development, Andris Piebalgs
15:15-15:22	Statement by FAO Director-General, José Graziano da Silva
15:22-15:29	Statement by WFP Executive Director, Ertharin Cousin
15:29-15:36	Statement by IFAD President, Kanayo F. Nwanze
15:36-16:10	Q&A
16:10-16:15	Closure President Nwanze
16:15-16:45	Refreshments in Executive Dining Room