

Hungry Cities: The Global Revolution in Food Systems



ILSI Research Foundation Scientific Session

ILSI Annual Meeting 2017

Monday, January 23, 2017 | 8:30 am - 12:30 pm | Hilton La Jolla Torrey Pines, California

We have an unprecedented global challenge - to feed a growing population and one that is increasingly living in urban areas. It's estimated that by 2050, 66% of the world's population will live in cities and much of this urban growth will take place in developing countries. Food systems are transforming to meet demand in geographically dispersed towns, small and medium cities, as well as in mega cities (> 10 million people) which numbered 10 in 1990, 28 in 2014, and may be 41 by 2030. Diets in poor, urban areas are changing as women enter the work force and seek out time and labor saving food options. A growing and affluent middle class in Asia, Latin America and Africa is also driving significant changes in preferred foods, with increasing consumption of perishable foods like meat, dairy and fresh fruit and vegetables.

These and other drivers of food choice in low and middle income countries will be explored in the ILSI Research Foundation Scientific Session on January 23, 2017, with presentations from experts who will share their research and perspectives on how we may address this global revolution in food systems.

Agenda

- | | | | |
|-------|--|-------|---|
| 8:30 | Welcome and Opening Remarks
Dr. Adam Drewnowski
University of Washington | 10:30 | Break |
| 8:45 | Keynote
Dr. David Tschirley
Michigan State University
Urbanization, Food Systems and the Diet Transformation in Developing Countries: What do we know, and what do we need to know? | 11:00 | Dr. Peter Richards
US Agency for International Development
Urbanization and USAID's Value Chain Approach for Rural Economic Growth |
| 9:30 | Dr. Christine Blake
University of South Carolina
Understanding Drivers of Food Choice in Diverse and Dynamic Settings: Conceptual and Methodological Innovations | 11:30 | Dr. Jessica Fanzo
John Hopkins University
Who Will Feed the World's Cities? The Rural-Urban Convergence |
| 10:00 | Dr. Suneetha Kadiyala
London School of Hygiene & Tropical Medicine
Agriculture, Food Systems and Nutrition Linkages: Lessons Learned and Emerging Priorities | 12:00 | Panel Discussion
Dr. Adam Drewnowski (Moderator)
Dr. David Tschirley
Dr. Christine Blake
Dr. Suneetha Kadiyala
Dr. Peter Richards
Dr. Jessica Fanzo |
| | | 12:30 | Adjourn |

The ILSI Research Foundation improves environmental sustainability and human health by advancing science to address real world problems. The ILSI Research Foundation's programs in nutrition, toxicology, risk assessment and agriculture are informed and strengthened by the deliberate inclusion of international, multi-sectoral expertise and perspectives.

1156 Fifteenth Street NW | Suite 200 | Washington, DC | 20005-1743

+1 (202) 659-0074 | rf@ilsf.org | www.ilsf.org