

Moving towards policy coherence for food security and nutrition



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Almost every country is experiencing a rising burden of diet-related chronic disease in a situation of persistent food insecurity and undernutrition. Supply-side policy interventions are a critical component of action to address this double burden of malnutrition. However, the food supply is governed by a number of different policy sectors, and policy incoherence can occur between government action to promote a healthy food supply and objectives for economic growth and liberalization. For healthy food to be accessible and affordable for all, nutrition must be on the agenda of policy makers in economic sectors governing the food supply, such as agriculture, commerce and trade. Currently, incoherent policy incentives exist throughout the food system that undermine efforts to improve nutrition. Reorienting food system policies to also support food security and nutrition policy goals will require: 1) identification of *what* needs to change – specific instances of policy incoherence between nutrition goals and food system policy incentives; and 2) understanding of the politico-economics and powerful policy agendas behind the food system that provide insights into *how* such policy change might be achieved.

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