



Concept Note Brief

Seeds of Justice: Agriculture, Legal Equity, and the Protection of Women and Girls

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Women and girls are central to agricultural and food systems worldwide, yet they continue to face systemic barriers to justice, including discriminatory land and inheritance laws, limited access to legal protection, and exclusion from decision-making. These barriers undermine women's food sovereignty, economic security, and ability to safeguard household health and nutrition, while increasing vulnerability to violence.

This side event will examine agriculture as a pathway to strengthening access to justice for women and girls, with a focus on food sovereignty and the right to adequate nutrition. It will explore how secure land tenure, legal recognition, and inclusive agricultural and food policies can support equitable justice systems, enhance women's participation in decision-making, and improve health and nutrition outcomes for families and communities. Attention will be given to both formal and customary legal systems that shape women's control over food production and resources.

Through perspectives from practitioners, policy experts, and community leaders, the discussion will highlight policy-relevant approaches that demonstrate how advancing women's rights in agriculture contributes to justice, gender equality, and improved health and nutrition across generations.

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