

UNFSS+4 Side Event

Tailoring Science, Technology, and Innovation to Local Contexts while Advancing Global Agendas: Lessons from Multi-Country, Cross-Sectoral Approaches to Agri-Food Systems Transformation

Confirmed speakers, panelists and moderator

Speakers



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Professor Nigussie Dechassa

Director General, EIAR



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Secretary General, World Agriculture Forum; Advisory Board Member, the International Scientific Advisory Board for Strategy "MIDORI"

Panelists



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Dr. Nguyen Thi Thanh Thuy

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Moderator

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Venue

Conference Room 4,
UN Economic Commission for Africa
in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia.

Lead organizer/-s

- Japan International Research Center for Agricultural Sciences (JIRCAS)
- Ethiopia Institute of Agricultural Research (EIAR)

Co-organizer/-s

- Japan's Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries (MAFF)
- World Agriculture Forum
- FAO Forestry Division, Halting Deforestation, Degradation, Emissions Team
- Ajinomoto Co., Inc.
- Green Inc.
- The Vietnam Gardening Association (VGA)
- Uganda's Ministry of Water and Environment (MWE)

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