

WFP Working session on contract farming schemes and the UNIDROIT/FAO/IFAD Legal Guide on Contract Farming

11 March 2016 - 10.00 – 13.00

WFP HQ

SESSION OUTLINE

An interactive two hour session, aiming at sharing experience and future actions by our organizations in relation with contract farming schemes or related contract modalities with small farmers – including information on the recently adopted *UNIDROIT/FAO/IFAD Legal Guide on Contract Farming*, current implementation plans, and a discussion on how the Legal Guide may be used in field operations.

Introductory words

- WFP representative
- UNIDROIT

a) 10.00 – 10.45: **Overview of the experience of Organisations in designing and implementing contract farming schemes – or related contract modalities with small farmers**

- *FAO (mod.)* Marlo Rankin
- *IFAD* Marieclaire Colaiacomo (with video testimonials)
- *WFP* PPP Project (Patient Procurement Platform) and P4P

Discussion

b) 11.00 – 11.30: **The Legal Guide on Contract Farming – background & policy approach**

- *UNIDROIT (mod.)* Frédérique Mestre – with the participation of representatives from *FAO* (Carmen Bullon) and *IFAD* (Marieclaire Colaiacomo)
 - *RATIONALE FOR THE PREPARATION OF THE LEGAL GUIDE AND DRAFTING PROCESS*
 - *POLICY approach, overview of content of the Legal Guide*

11.30 – 11.50: *Coffee break*

c) 11.50 - 13.00: **How to use the Legal Guide in practical operations: implementation plans, tools and materials being developed**

- *IFAD (mod.)* Marieclaire Colaiacomo
- *FAO* Marlo Rankin, Carmen Bullon
- *IISD* Carin Smaller
- *UNIDROIT* Frédérique Mestre, Ercole de Vito

Discussion

Participants

- **FAO**

- Marlo Rankin, Agribusiness Economist, Agricultural Development Economics Division
ESA
- Carmen Bullon, Legal Officer, Development Law Branch, LEGN
- Caterina Pultrone, Consultant, ESA
- Costanza Rizzo, Consultant, ESA

- **IFAD**

- Marieclaire Colaiacomo, Programme Officer, East and Southern Africa Division
- Christa Ketting, Rural Markets and Agribusiness Unit

- **UNIDROIT**

- Frédérique Mestre, Senior Legal Officer
- Ercole de Vito, Research Assistant
- Shideh Bozorgzadeh, Intern
- Marcela Mollinedo, Intern
- Richard Muliika, Intern

- **WFP**

- Loutphi Madani, Head of LEGM Branch, Legal Office
- Miatta Korpo, Legal Consultant LEGM
- Louis Moussie, Legal Officer LEGM
- Florencia Celasco, Legal Officer LEGC
- Lucas Martin Romero, Legal Officer LEGC
- Giulia Macri, Legal Consultant, LEGC
- Francois Buratto, Head, Food Procurement
- Ms Tamima Boutel, Legal Consultant

- **IISD (International Institute for Sustainable Development)**

- Carin Smaller, Advisor on Agriculture and Investment
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