

***Panel VI: Public-Private Approaches for Feeding our World and safe-guarding our environment***

**Short Description:**

The panel of experts will explore energy, water, chemicals, land, and ecosystem-based avenues for integrating or scaling up sustainability in the value chains of key commodity crops.

This event will feature the Sustainable Rice Platform ([www.sustainablerice.org](http://www.sustainablerice.org)) as an innovative UN-Environment-hosted and co-founded with the International Rice Research Institute Public-Private partnership. Also, it will discuss ways to finance these initiatives by bringing in Rabobank and other finance facilities being developed by UN Environment.

**Overview:**

The objective of this panel is to provide concrete examples of innovative public-private approaches to sustainable agriculture and food systems. It aims at answering:

- Can truly private sector partnerships help to bring innovation to the field and policy?
- How can scientists interact with the private sector for good of food security and nutrition?
- Can finance be a force for good in shifting commodities to more sustainable models that are also deforestation free?

**Possible outcome/impact:**

Build consensus around the role of the private sector in scaling up and out science and sustainable agricultural practices.

**Moderator:**

UN Environment

Philip Lymberry – Compassion for World Farming will set the scene around the key challenges in our food and farming sectors

**Panellists Invited:**

1. International Rice Research Institute (Co-convenor of Sustainable Rice Platform)
2. HiVOS
3. Rabobank representative

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