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Livestock-derived foods and sustainable healthy diets

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Jimmy W. Smith is Director General of the International Livestock Research Institute (ILRI), a CGIAR research centre, working towards a food secure world. Before joining ILRI, Jimmy led the livestock portfolio at the World Bank. He has also held senior positions at the Canadian International Development Agency (CIDA), the Caribbean Agricultural Research and Development Institute (CARDI-Trinidad) and the Livestock Development Company (LIDCO-Guyana).

Jimmy is a graduate of the University of Illinois at Urban-Champaign, USA, where he completed M.Sc. and Ph.D. degrees in animal sciences. He is widely published, including papers in refereed journals, book chapters and policy papers.

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Lora Iannotti is an Associate Professor in public health at Washington University in St. Louis. She is also Director of the E3 Nutrition Lab, working to identify environmentally sustainable, evolutionarily appropriate and economically affordable nutrition solutions globally. In addition, she is currently a Visiting Scientist with ILRI.

Lora leads projects in Haiti, Ecuador, and Kenya where she collaborates with local partners to test innovative, transdisciplinary approaches using animal-source foods and small livestock and fisheries development. She has also worked with UN agencies and NGOs. Lora received her doctorate from the Johns Hopkins University Bloomberg School of Public Health and has a Master of Arts in Foreign Affairs.

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Joyce Njoro is the Lead Technical Specialist on Nutrition and Social Inclusion at the International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD). She is responsible for efforts to mainstream nutrition in IFAD's operations and non-lending activities, such as capacity building and knowledge management. Joyce has extensive experience in multi-sectoral nutrition governance, rural development, community-based approaches and designing policy frameworks.

Prior to joining IFAD, Joyce worked in various capacities at global, regional and country level for the Renewed Efforts Against Child Hunger and undernutrition (REACH) initiative. She holds a Masters in Rural Sociology and Community Development and a bachelor's degree in Veterinary Medicine, both from the University of Nairobi.

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Grainne Moloney is a Senior Advisor on Early Childhood Nutrition at the UNICEF headquarters in New York. She leads on young child diets, covering topics such as breastfeeding, complementary feeding and micronutrient deficiencies. Previously, Grainne worked in the UNICEF East and Southern Africa regional office on the prevention and treatment of wasting, and nutrition in emergencies.

Prior to that, she served as the Chief of Nutrition with UNICEF Kenya and the Chief Technical Advisor for the Food Security and Nutrition Analysis Unit, (FAO) in Somalia. Grainne holds an M.Sc. in Public Health Nutrition and B.Sc. in Human Nutrition and Dietetics.

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Emma Naluyima Mugerwa is an award-winning innovative farmer with proven skills in veterinary and crop husbandry. Driven by a need to pass on the knowledge and life skills she has acquired, Emma established the MST Junior School in Entebbe, Uganda. She has previously worked for the National Animal Genetic Resources Centre and Data Bank as well as for the President of Uganda, H.E. Yoweri Kaguta Museveni, on his personal dairy farm to improve the genetics of his herd.

Emma has served as Chairman of the Red Cross Mbarara. She has a Masters in Health Services Research and a B.Sc. in Veterinary Medicine, both from Makerere University in Kampala, Uganda.

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Lana Weidgenant is the Deputy Partnerships Director of Zero Hour, a youth-led climate justice organization with chapters around the world. She also serves as the UN Food Systems Summit (FSS) Vice-Chair of Action Track 2 on Shifting to Sustainable Consumption Patterns. In addition, she is a Real Food Systems Youth Ambassador.

As a climate activist, Lana has taken on various activities, including those connected to this year's UN Climate Change Conference of Youth and the Act4Food Act4Change campaign, facilitated by GAIN and the Food Foundation. She graduated from Johns Hopkins University with a bachelor's degree in Public Health.

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Martina Otto is the Head of the Cities Unit at UN Environment (UNEP), and at the moment, also the interim Head of the Energy and Climate Branch and the Secretariat of the Climate and Clean Air Coalition. Her team is working on food systems approaches, particularly consumption aspects, including food waste, sustainable diets and urban farming, and part of AT2 of the UN FSS. Martina is also part of UNEP's Core Team supporting the UN FSS, and the UN Task Force; and she is a member of the Steering Committee of UN Nutrition.

Her areas of expertise include sustainable energy, transport, buildings, climate change, air quality and sustainable consumption and production. She is a fully qualified lawyer, with degrees from the Universities of Frankfurt in Germany and London in the UK.