



Innovation Day is the first day of the **IFAD '22 conference**. The conference, entitled “Jobs, innovation and value chains during climate change: Bridging the gap between research and policy”, runs from 21-24 June.*

Who’s organizing Innovation Day?

Innovation Day is organised by IFAD in partnership with the governments of Finland, Italy, Israel, and the United States, and The World Bank, the European Space Agency, the [Regenerative Society Foundation](#) and [VentureWell](#); with the media partnership and patronage of RAI Italian Television.

What’s Innovation Day all about?

Innovation leaders from the public and private sectors, academia, civil society, research organizations, international financial institutions and the United Nations will gather to share knowledge and lessons learned on how to originate, ideate, pilot, test and scale up solutions that contribute to facing and solving some of the most pressing challenges in rural development and climate-change adaptation. **Innovation Day** will focus on **how policy and public-private-partnerships can support and finance all stages of innovation**.

In addition to the main plenary sessions, Innovation Day will feature **side-events where innovative approaches and technologies will be presented in the form of demos, technical dialogues among experts and interactive discussions with the audience**.

* The conference is organized by IFAD and the Department of Social Sciences and Economics of Sapienza University of Rome, the Centre for Economic and International Studies (CEIS) of University of Rome Tor Vergata, and the Department of Economics of Roma Tre University, in partnership with other international and Italian institutions (see the full list [here](#)).

Innovation Day will also be an opportunity for participants to network during break-out sessions and at the **post-event cocktail** hosted by IFAD's Change, Delivery and Innovation Unit (CDI) from 18:00 CEST onwards at [IFAD headquarters in Rome](#).

Where is it happening and how do I register?

Innovation Day is a "hybrid" event – meaning that participants can join in person at IFAD headquarters or via videoconference. See below for more information:

Participating at the event

To follow the event via YouTube, please click on this link:

<https://bit.ly/ifad-innovation-day>

To join remotely via Zoom, please register in the links below:

- The event will be run through Zoom.
- [Register here](#) for the **plenary sessions**.
- Register separately for the **four side events**:

10:00 – 11:30 Frontier Technologies To Secure Land Rights REGISTER	12:00 – 13:00 Government policies to accelerate innovation REGISTER	14:00 – 15:00 Leveraging advanced analytics for country programmes REGISTER	16:00 – 17:00 Innovation, food systems and sustainability REGISTER
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To join in person, please follow these instructions:

- Due to COVID-19 restrictions, places are limited and occupancy limits might change due to COVID-19 related updates by IFAD's Medical Services Unit (MSU).
- The event will be held at IFAD headquarters in Rome.
- To register to join in person, please send a request to innovation@ifad.org by 17.00 (CEST) on Friday 10 June 2022.
- Please provide: (i) your full name; (ii) organization name (if any); (iii) a contact telephone number; and (iv) where you are based.
- All in-person participants must be cleared by IFAD's MSU and Security.
- Participants are responsible for organizing their own travel arrangements and accommodation. IFAD will not be held responsible for any expenses related to attending the conference.

*IMPORTANT: Please note that this event is in **English only**.*