



# The right to food in Europe

Alliances to guarantee access to sustainable food for all

26<sup>th</sup> April - 16:30 h CET

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The 2008 crisis and the more recent COVID-19 pandemic have constituted a wake up call in the old continent showcasing the failure of European countries to ensure dignified lives for their citizens. Food banks made the headlines of news outlets, despite representing just the tip of the iceberg of the complex lived experiences around food insecurity, from anxiety of running out of food, to compromising the quality and quantity of food intake, with devastating consequences for people's physical and psychological wellbeing as well as their dignity. In this webinar, **we aim to explore how different European countries measure the lived experience of food insecurity and the strategies pursued by academics, civil society and philanthropic foundations to situate the right to sustainable food at the top of the public and political agenda.**

The objectives of the webinar are the following:

- Understand the state of the art in guaranteeing the right to food in Europe.
- Learn from different experiences of researching food insecurity and having an impact in terms of monitoring the right to food and taking action.
- Develop further alliances with academics, civil society, philanthropic foundations and policy makers to realize the right to sustainable food.

In order to fulfill these goals, the webinar includes an overview of the state of art in Europe and an exploration of different strategies deployed by alliances of academics, philanthropic foundations, civil society organizations and policy makers from different countries to pursue the right for sustainable food, as the programme shows.

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16:30h – Introduction by Daniel and Nina Carasso Foundation

16:35 h – **Can the right to food contribute to the fight against food poverty in Europe?**

Olivier de Schutter | UN Special Rapporteur on extreme poverty and human rights, Co-chair of IPESFood and Professor UCLouvain

16:50h – **Country cases:**

Spain

**Feeding a sustainable future: measuring food insecurity as a tool to foster change**

Dr. Ana Moragues Faus | Researcher at Universitat de Barcelona

The lack of official measurement has led to independent studies that for the first time measure the experience of food insecurity together with other household characteristics, showing a persistent level of food insecurity of the country, which now affects more than 13% of the population. This study aims to foster new conversations with policy makers and push for urgent and systemic action.

United Kingdom

**How is food insecurity being monitored in the UK?**

Dr. Rachel Loopstra | Lecturer in Nutrition, King's College London

In this presentation, we'll have a brief look at how food insecurity measurement developed in the UK and look at the survey instruments and surveys being used to monitor it today.

**Policy and advocacy outcomes from food insecurity measurement in the UK**

Anna Taylor | Director Food Foundation

Following from the introduction to food insecurity measurement in the UK, we'll look at how monitoring food insecurity in the UK is contributing to policy development and advocacy work.

France

**How are developed public policies to tackle food insecurity in France?**

Denis Darnand | Deputy Director for Social Inclusion, Integration and the Fight against Poverty, Ministry of Health

The presentation will focus on the recent evolutions of public policies in France during the last decades, how the public and private actors developed tools to enhance the knowledge about food insecurity, and how they discuss in a permanent forum about evolutions of the actions towards food insecurity.

17:35 h – Discussion

18:10 h – Closing

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