



Partnerships to promote Inclusive Business Models in Agriculture and Food Systems

Special Online Event in the context of the UN Food
Systems Summit

14h00-15h30 Bangkok time, 15 September 2021

Organised by the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation and the United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific.

The session will introduce the potential of inclusive business models as a mean to promote inclusion in agriculture and food systems and explore the type of partnerships that can promote more and stronger inclusive business models in agriculture and food systems.

Opening remarks

- Mr. Kaveh Zahedi, Deputy Executive Secretary, United Nations ESCAP
- Mr. M Hari Menon, Director, India Country Office, Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation

Interactive discussion

Moderated by Mr. Jonathan Wong, Chief of Technology and Innovation United Nations ESCAP

- H.E. Mr. HENG Sokkung, State Secretary, Ministry of Industry, Science, Technology and Innovation, Cambodia
- Dr. Purvi Mehta, Deputy Director, Agricultural Development-Asia, Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation
- Ms. Meetu Kapur, Executive Director, Food and Agriculture Centre of Excellence, Confederation of Indian Industry
- Mr. Christian Jahn, Executive Director, Inclusive Business Action Network

Announcement of partnership between Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation and United Nations ESCAP on **Regional Inclusive Business Models in Agriculture and Food Systems**

- Ms. Marta Pérez Cusó, Economic Affairs Officer, United Nations ESCAP
- Ms. Srivalli Krishnan, Senior Program Officer, Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation