



The Global Policy Forum,
NGO Working Group on Food and Hunger &
Friedrich Ebert Stiftung

Welcome you to a breakfast roundtable dialogue on

“The Global Food Crisis and the Right to Food”

April 6, 2009

8:30 am – 9:45 am

Presbyterian Conference Room

Speakers: **Henri Saragih**, General Coordinator and Board Member of Via Campesina and leader of the Peasant’s Union of Indonesia (invited)

Molly Andersson, Coordinating lead author for the International Assessment of Agricultural Knowledge, Science and Technology for Development and Fellow at the Wallace Center at Winrock International (confirmed)

Judi Wakhungu, Executive Director of the African Centre for Technology Studies in Nairobi, IAASTD (invited)

Miguel Altieri, Professor of AgroEcology at UC Berkeley and Advisor to the FAO – globally indigenous agricultural heritage systems (invited)

Olivier De Schutter, UN Special Rapporteur on the Right to Food (confirmed)

This breakfast will take place immediately prior to a daylong “Thematic Dialogue” on this topic organized by the office of the General Assembly President. We have invited a number of the GA panelists to join us for our event. This is a unique opportunity to take advantage of their presence in New York.

The event will take place in the Presbyterian Conference Room, seventh floor, 777 UN Plaza. Please consider arriving at 8:15 in order to get your breakfast and be ready to begin the event promptly at 8:30 as the panelists must leave promptly at 9:45.

The event across the street will take place in the Trusteeship Council chamber and will run from 10:00 am to 1:00 pm and in the afternoon from 3:00 pm to 4:30 pm. The day’s program is attached for your information. Note that limited NGO comments and questions will be permitted and if you would like to speak you must submit your name in advance. Let us know and we will take care of this for you, or you can contact Elisa Peter at NGLS.

Since there will only be very limited opportunities for interaction between panelists and NGOs at the official event, we see our breakfast as a very special opportunity to get acquainted and to discuss together policy issues and challenges/opportunities for advocacy.

Please reply to this invitation as soon as possible, as time is short. Please reply directly to - events@globalpolicy.org