



School Meals Coalition

Nutritious & healthy lives for children everywhere

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GOAL

Every child has the opportunity to access a healthy meal every day in school by 2030.

OBJECTIVES

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RESTORE WHAT WE HAD (BY 2022)

1. All countries restore school feeding for 370 million children

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REACH THOSE WE MISSED (BY 2030)

1. Reach 73 million children in extreme poverty with school feeding
2. Raise USD 4.7 billion annually to cover cost of reaching children
3. Enable 15 L/L-MIC's to transition to national programmes.
4. Increase share of domestic resources for school feeding to 50%

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IMPROVE OUR APPROACH (BY 2030):

1. All countries establish national school feeding policy
2. All countries define national school feeding quality and nutrition standards
3. Countries promote connection to local food production where appropriate.

INITIATIVES

Research Consortium

(lead: London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine)

Financing Taskforce

(lead: Global Education Commission)

Peer-to-peer Community of Best Practice

(lead: Germany and CoE TBC)

Monitoring & Accountability

(lead: WFP)

Advocacy & Outreach Taskforce

(lead: Finland)

Building the coalition using the Food Systems Summit process

School feeding solution cluster AT2

Co-leads: Finland, France and WFP





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Food Systems Summit 2021

The deliverables for July *(Pre-summit meeting)*

- (1) A document outlining the concept of the coalition: goal, objectives, targets, initiatives
- (2) A document outlining the governance and membership arrangements of the coalition
- (3) A Declaration supported by as many stakeholders as possible
- (4) A list of members of the coalition: countries, United Nations agencies, NGOs, universities, and other stakeholders that have joined the coalition and their commitments

Examples of potential member state commitments

Commitments to scale up or improve domestic programmes

- Commit to increase coverage of the national school feeding programme from 50,000 to 150,000 children in five years.
- Commit to establish a budget line to finance school feeding from domestic resources.
- Commit to develop or revisit a national policy on nutritious school feeding.
- Commit to establish a national directorate on school feeding in the Ministry of Education.
- Commit to passing healthy school environment regulations or nutritional standards for school meals.
- Commit to establishing a national school feeding working group including all stakeholders in the country.

Examples of potential member state commitments

Commitments to support other countries with their programmes

- Commit to participate in peer-peer activities with other countries on impactful, nutritious and sustainable school feeding programmes (study visits, case studies, technical assistance).
- Commit to build connections between national academic institutions and the school feeding research consortium.
- Commit to joining the financing task force to find more efficient, innovative ways of funding the programmes.
- Commit to increase funding for school feeding programmes in low and lower-middle income countries.
- Commit to sustain the activities of the coalition for the next 10 years or to fund some of the initiatives.

Examples of potential partner commitments

Partners	Commitments
UN agencies	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Commit to provide guidance, standards and frameworks to strengthen national programmes- Commit to build connections between countries to support the Peer-to-Peer learning
NGOs	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Commit to mobilize networks and advocate together for integrated programmes in global fora and events- Commit to support the monitoring and tracking of progress towards coalition goals
Academia	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Commit to develop evidence and research for better decision-making- Commit to develop global/continental/regional databases to follow the state of programmes worldwide
IFIs	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Commit to joining the financing task force to find more efficient, innovative ways of funding the programmes.- Commit to supporting governments transition plans
Private Sector	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Commit to supporting innovation, by sharing products or providing expertise to advance programmes- Commit to develop private-public partnerships- Commit to increase funding in low and lower-middle income countries

Advocacy priorities and launch of the coalition at the Food Systems Summit



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Food Systems Summit 2021

- (1) Goal of coalition included in Secretary General's Statement of Action as central outcome of Summit.
- (2) Dedicated Ministerial session at the pre-summit in July in Rome to discuss the launch of the coalition.
- (3) Declaration ready by September endorsed by as many member states as possible, United Nations agencies, regional bodies, academic institutions, other partners.
- (4) Statements from Heads of State supporting the coalition and their national commitments on school feeding in their speech at the Summit.
- (5) A launch event in New York in September led by the ED with Heads of State and others.

Next Steps and events

Next steps:

- Monthly update calls (*next call week 21 June*)
- Newsletter to be sent out bi-weekly
- Please reach out should you want to join /put forward an initiative for the coalition
- Please provide comments to the concept note by 04 July

Upcoming events:

27/05	Launch Research Consortium
23-25/06	Policies against Hunger Conference/Germany
26-28/07	Food Systems Summit Premeeting
28-29/07	GPE Education Summit
September	Food System Summit
12-14/12	Dubai Expo – Rewired
December	Nutrition for Growth Summit Tokyo