

NRF - Nutrition for Development (Food 2018 - 41108) / Knowledge and Research for Nutrition

ABSTRACT | Enhancing Evidence-Informed Decision Making in Nutrition. The European Union's commitment to nutrition is to support partner countries from developing countries to reduce the number of stunted children under the age of five by at least 7 million by 2025. The project is funded by its Directorate-General International Partnerships (DG INTPAR) and implemented by Agrinatura and aims at providing evidence-based research and Monitoring & Evaluation expertise to the Commission, to EU delegations, and to 42 low-and-middle-income EU partner countries. The overall objective of this project is to enhance evidence-informed decision-making in the field of nutrition and nutrition-sensitive policies and projects. By harnessing its expertise and relevant networks, the project will (1) identify demand for evidence, (2) mobilise expertise and address this demand, and (3) facilitate the uptake of evidence by decision makers from the EU and EU Members States (in relation to their development policies) as well as EU Partner Countries prioritising nutrition. NRF deals with questions on nutrition-sensitive interventions arising from various sectors of activity and all forms of malnutrition will be taken into consideration (undernutrition, micro-nutrient deficiency and over-nutrition). Due consideration is given to diets as a key driver of nutritional status, but also to the social determinants of nutrition. Specific consideration is also given to identifying proxy variables to assess the impacts of interventions on the wider food system to track broader impacts of programmes than the nutritional status. Where relevant, consideration of the sustainability of human diets and food systems are integrated into the approach.

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