



Agriculture Development and Food Security

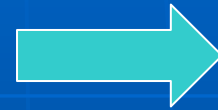
Presentation of the Secretary-General's
Report to the 64th General Assembly

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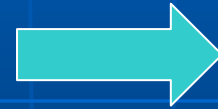
2008: Shocks to the World Economy

Energy price volatility



Fuel crisis

Rapid escalation of food
and commodity prices



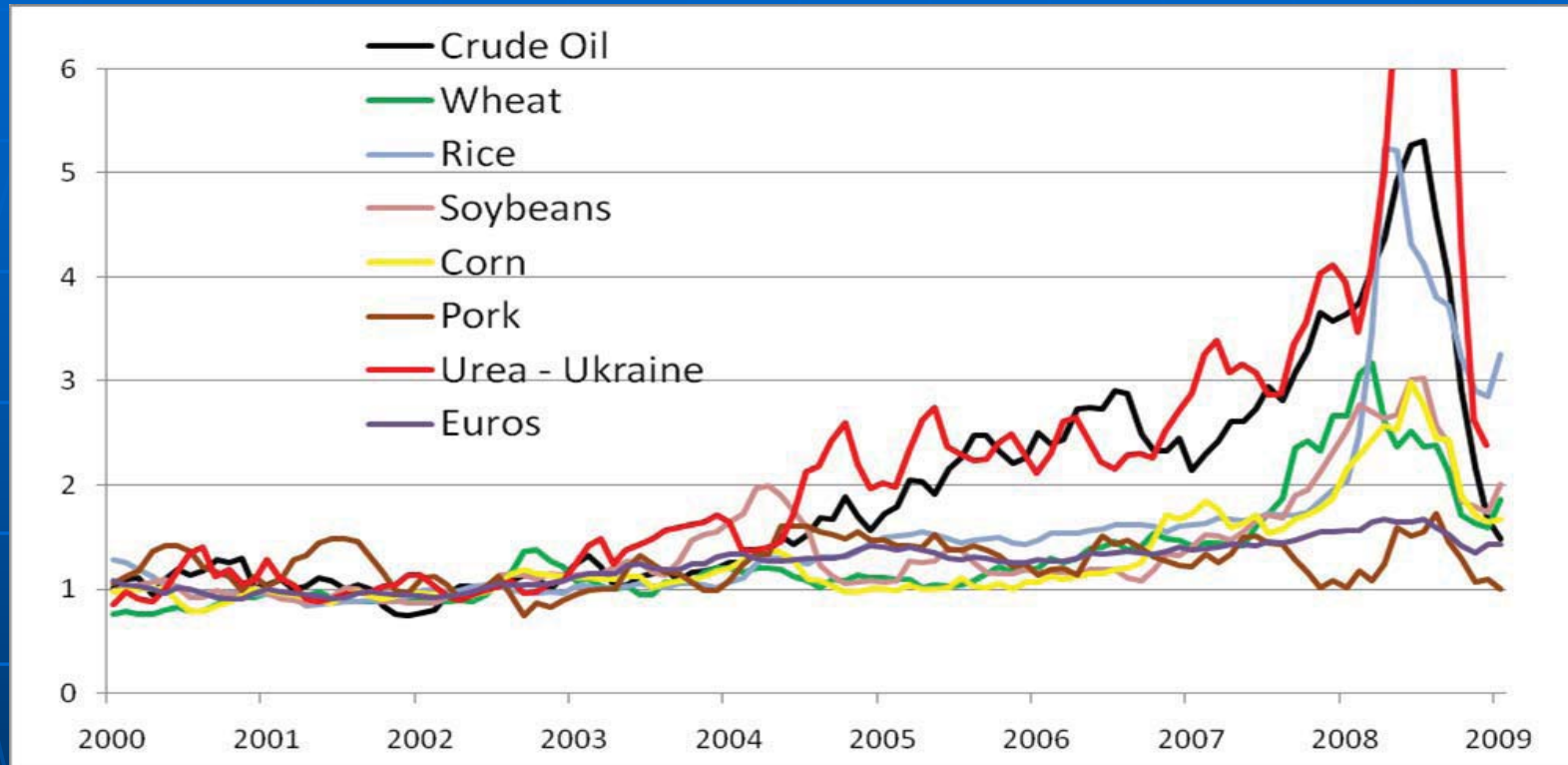
Food crisis

Financial crisis



**Global economic
recession**

Food and Commodity Prices 2000-2009



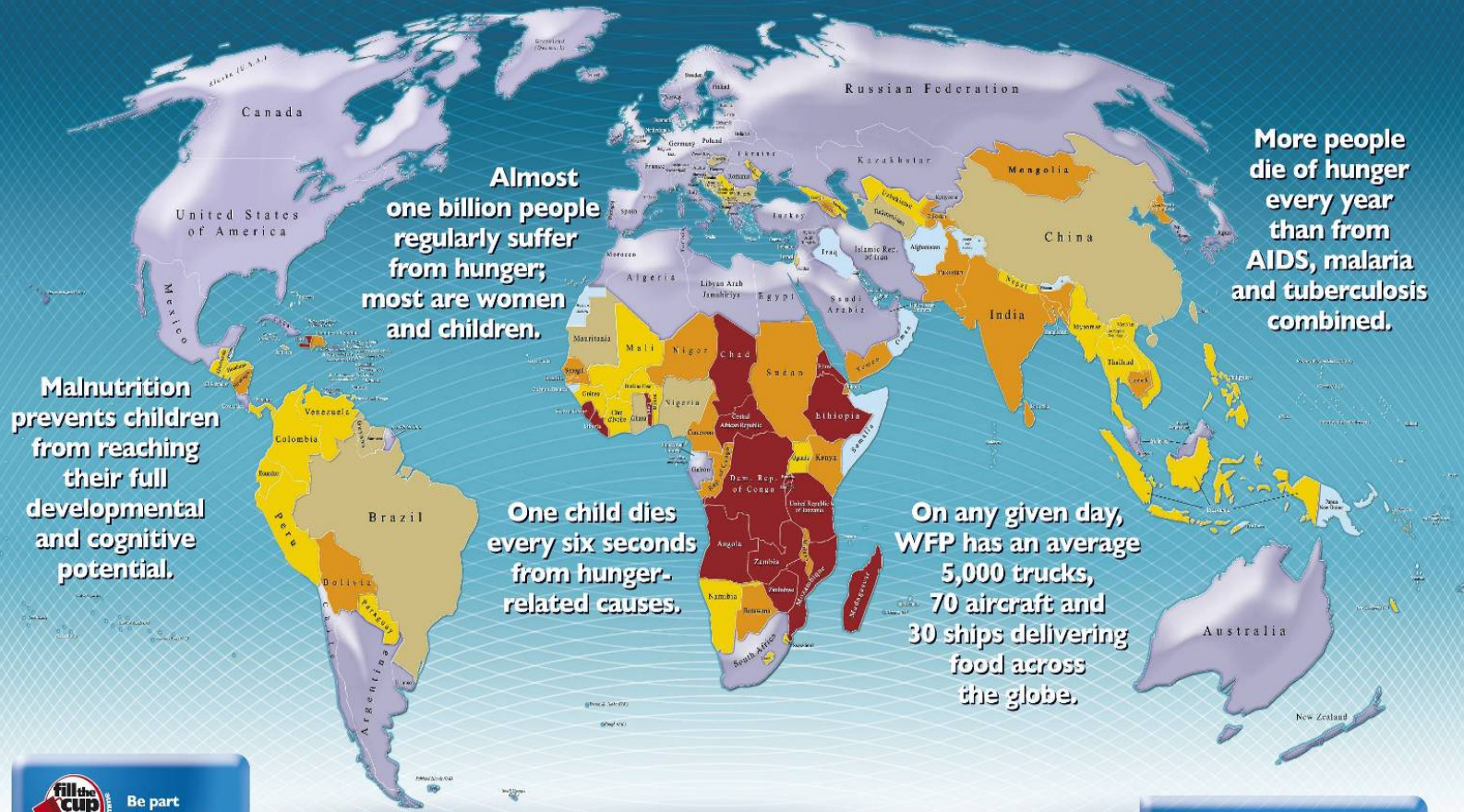
Source: Farm Foundation (2009), *What's Driving Food Prices*, Issue Report, March 2009 update; available at www.farmfoundation.org

Note: Commodity prices and indices are normalized to equal 1.0, on average, for 2002.

Global Food Production System: Key Problems

- Widespread hunger and malnutrition
- Price volatility
- Widening gap between supply and demand
- Competition for land and water resources
- Climate change
- Failure to scale up
- Green revolution

2009 Hunger Map



Category	1	2	3	4	5	Insufficient data
Undernourished	<5%	5-9%	10-19%	20-34%	≥35%	
Description	Extremely low	Very low	Moderately low	Moderately high	Very high	



Sources: The State of Food Insecurity in the World 2008, Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations and FAOSTAT.
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Source: World Food Programme, <http://un-foodsecurity.org/countries>

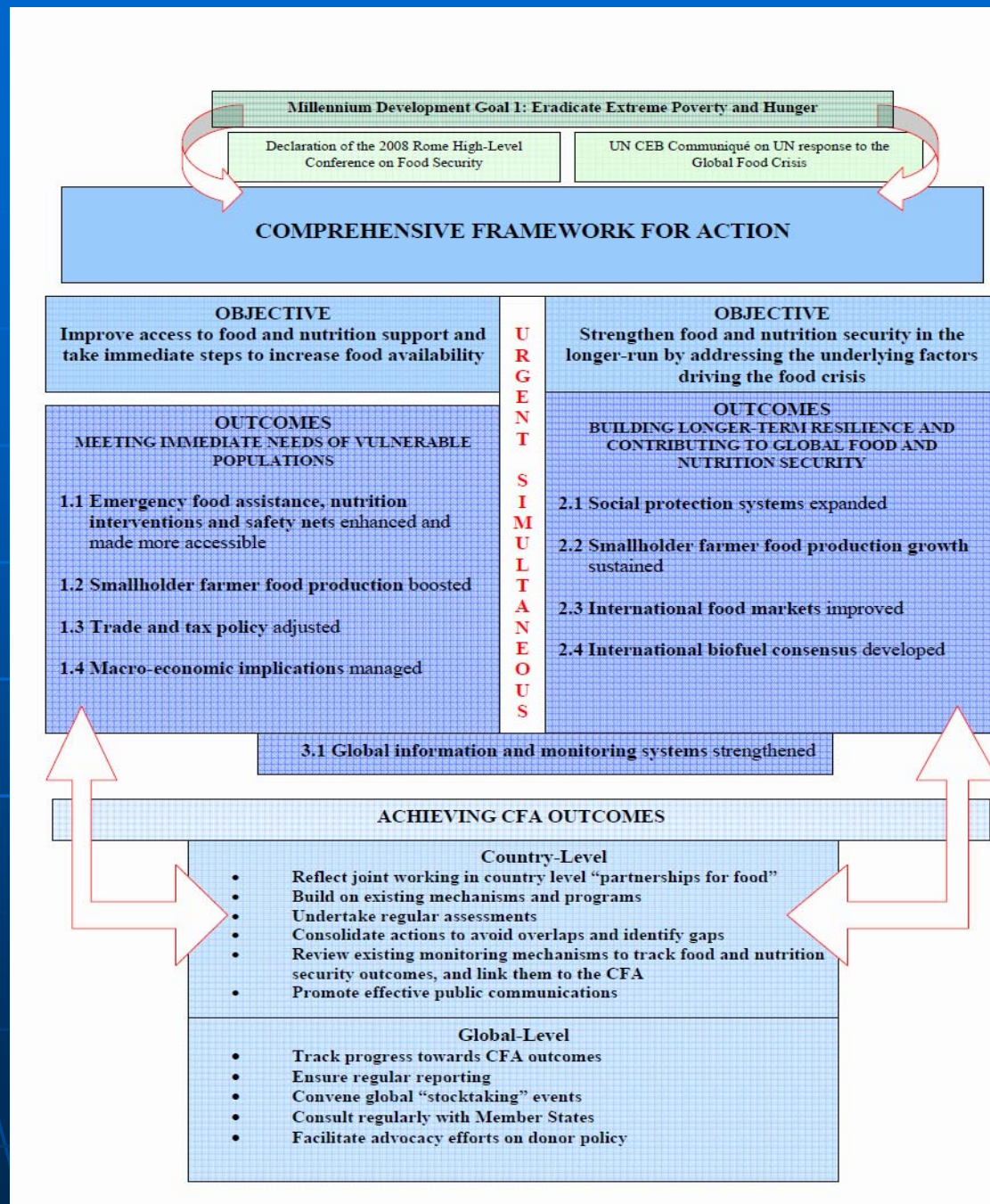
Responses to the Food Crisis

Actions at the Global, Regional, and National Levels

Actions Taken at the Global Level

UN High-level Task Force on the Global Food Security Crisis (HLTF)

Established April 2008



High-Level Task Force on the Global Food Security Crisis

Chair: Mr. Ban Ki-moon, United Nations Secretary-General

Vice-Chair: Mr. Jacques Diouf, Director-General, Food and Agriculture Organization

- Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO)
- International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD)
- International Labour Organization (ILO)
- International Monetary Fund (IMF)
- Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR)
- Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD)
- Special Adviser on Millennium Development Goals (MDGs)
- United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF)
- United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD)
- United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA)
- United Nations Department of Peacekeeping Operations (DPKO)
- United Nations Department of Political Affairs (DPA)
- United Nations Department of Public Information (DPI)
- United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)
- United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP)
- United Nations Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA)
- United Nations Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR)
- United Nations Office of the High Representative for the Least Developed Countries Landlocked Developing Countries and Small Island Developing States (OHRLLS)
- World Bank (WB)
- World Food Programme (WFP)
- World Health Organization (WHO)
- World Trade Organization (WTO)

Coordinator: Dr. David Nabarro, United Nations Assistant Secretary-General

Actions Taken at the Global Level

- **2008 FAO High-level Conference on World Food Security: the Challenges of Climate Change and Bioenergy**

...estimated the total amount needed for achieving agricultural development and food security to be around USD 30 billion annually.

...donor countries and financial organizations announced significant additional financial support totaling more than \$12 billion.

- **High-level Meeting on Food Security, Madrid, January 2009**

...additional pledges materialized, and Spain has since disbursed its first commitment of €1 billion for 17 West African countries.

- **Group of Eight meeting, L'Aquila, Italy, July 2009**

...Italy agreed to commit more than \$20 billion to agriculture over the next three years as part of the food security initiative.

- **FAO Council World Summit on Food Security, November 2009**

Actions Taken at the Global Level

17th session of the Commission on Sustainable Development

May 2009

National Actions:

- Sustainable development strategy
- Sustainable green revolution
- Social strategy

Areas of International Cooperation:

- Financing: meet agreed ODA commitments
- Enhanced access to international markets, including through trade policy and assurance of price stability (Doha Round)
- Cooperation in research and development
- Enhancing policy coherence

Regional Initiatives and Actions

ASEAN Integrated Food Security Framework
August 2008

CAADP



Investing in Agriculture
for Economic Growth and Food Security
African Union July 2009

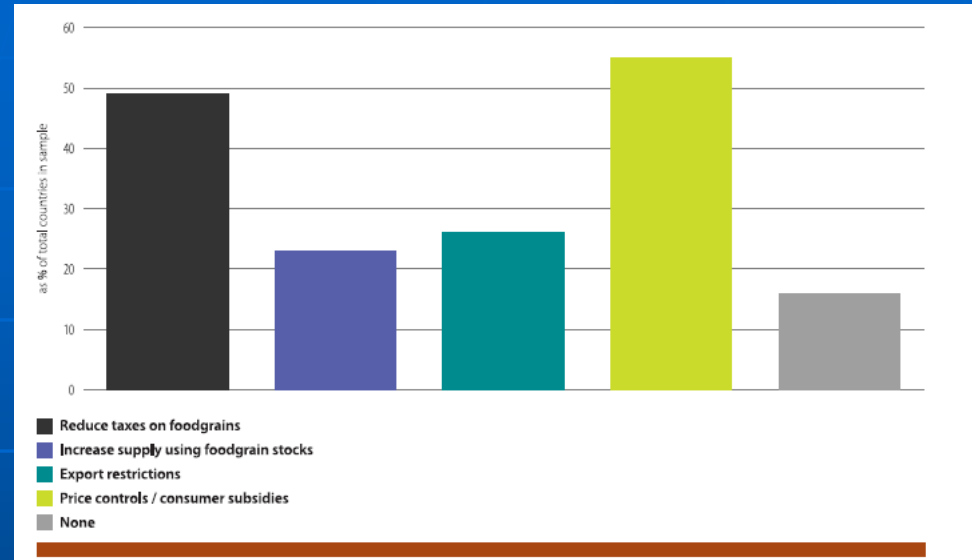
Commission on Family Farming
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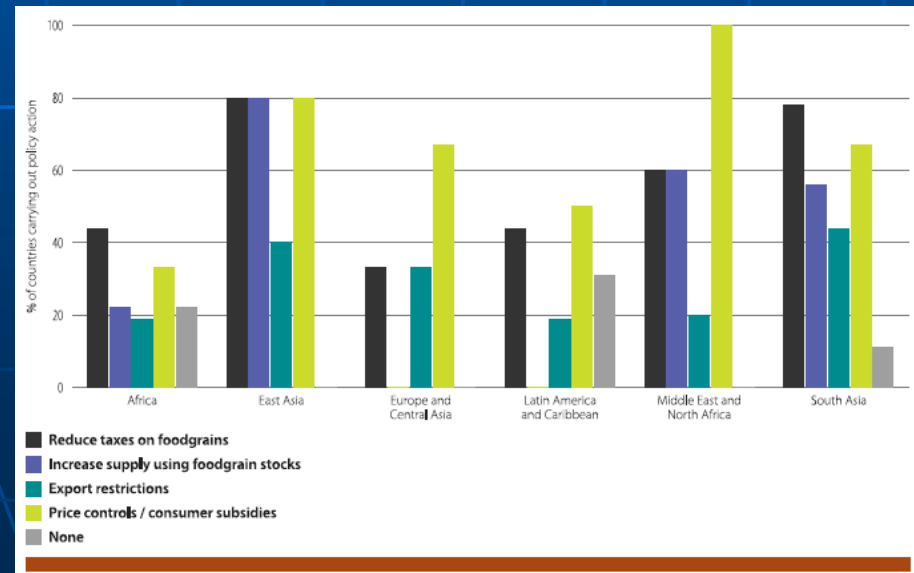
Colombo Declaration on Food Security

Actions Taken at the National Level

Policy actions to address high food prices



Policy actions to address high food prices by region



Source: High-level Conference On World Food Security: The Challenges Of Climate Change And Bioenergy
 Rome, 3 - 5 June 2008
 Soaring Food Prices: Facts, Perspectives, Impacts And Actions Required
<http://www.fao.org/foodclimate/hlc-home/en/>

Actions Taken at the National Level

Countries Targeted by the UN High-level Task Force

* These 35 countries are targeted for intensive coordinated action

*Afghanistan	*Eritrea	*Liberia	*Sierra Leone
*Bangladesh	*Ethiopia	*Madagascar	Somalia
*Benin	Gambia	*Malawi	Sri Lanka
*Bhutan	Ghana	*Mali	Swaziland
*Burkino Faso	Guatemala	*Mauritania	*Tajikistan
Bolivia	*Guinea	Mongolia	*Tanzania
*Burundi	*Guinea Bissau	*Mozambique	*Timor-Leste
Cameroon	*Haiti	Myanmar	*Togo
*CAR	*Honduras	*Nepal	Uganda
*Cambodia	Jamaica	Nicaragua	Uzbekistan
Cote d'Ivoire	Jordan	*Niger	West Bank Gaza Strip
Comoros	*Kenya	*Pakistan	*Yemen
*Djibouti	*Kyrgyzstan	Philippines	Zambia
Dominican Republic	N Korea	*Rwanda	*Zimbabwe
DRC	*Laos	Sao Tome	
Egypt	Lesotho	Senegal	

Concluding Remarks

- Implement agreed Decisions and outcomes of relevant international conferences
- Focus on long-term considerations
- Also implement short-term measures



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