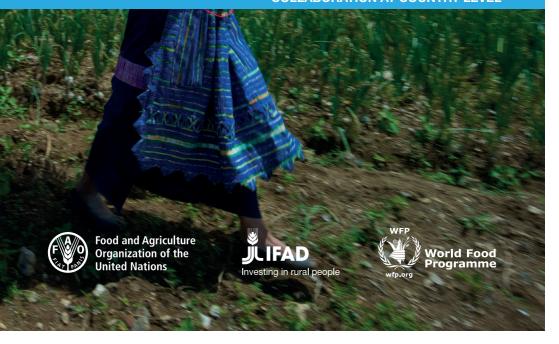


**COLLABORATION AT COUNTRY LEVEL** 



# United Nations Rome-based Agencies Award of Excellence for Country-level Collaboration

Stronger collaboration and coordination among the Rome-based agencies (RBAs – FAO, IFAD and WFP) are integral to meeting the objectives of the transformative 2030 Agenda and the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

The RBA Award of Excellence, established in 2012, celebrates the RBA country teams that exemplify effective collaboration and maximize the value of partnerships. It recognizes teams who have come together to reduce duplication and minimize overlap, in alignment with national development priorities and the SDGs.

The 2030 Agenda cannot be achieved by one agency alone. It requires the RBAs and other stakeholders to explore holistic approaches, working closely together on a long-term sustainable development agenda.

The Award of Excellence for Country-level Collaboration is presented every two years to winning teams during a dedicated event in Rome.



### **Guatemala Team**

## Winner of the 2018 Award

The 2018 Award recognizes the Guatemala country team for their concerted efforts in maximizing results and impact on the ground to achieve the 2030 Agenda. By leveraging each agency's comparative advantage, the country team have strengthened coordination, thereby delivering in a more efficient and effective manner.

#### **FAO**

FAO supports Guatemala in policy dialogues with strategic partners such as the Parliamentary Front Against Hunger, strengthening discussions on law initiatives, including the Family Farming and Healthy Food laws. This has led to the country's adoption of the first national school-feeding law, which provides 2.5 million children with nutritious school meals and reactivates rural economies through the purchase of food from local family farmers. FAO also works with local institutions to strengthen famers' resilience to drought in Guatemala's Dry Corridor and empower women through time-saving agricultural technologies.

### **IFAD**

IFAD is strengthening the capacity of family farmers' organizations, promoting and investing in new technologies to increase productivity and added value in sustainable production approaches and value chains. IFAD is also promoting partnerships and investments in the implementation of household methodologies, women's savings groups, and the application of ICTs in value chains to mitigate climate and markets risks. During 2019-2021, beneficiaries will be solely from indigenous communities, where poverty is highly concentrated.

#### **WFP**

WFP is strengthening the resilience of vulnerable communities, reducing chronic malnutrition and providing life-saving assistance when a natural disaster strikes. By supporting government programmes, WFP works closely with women, children, health professionals, local authorities and communities to break the cycle of malnutrition. Vulnerable food insecure communities and smallholder farmers affected by climate change are supported to diversify livelihoods and increase incomes to overcome food insecurity. Through all of these programmes, WFP empowers women to have a greater role in responding to their own food security needs.

#### **Previous winners**

2016: Madagascar country team

2014: Democratic Republic of the Congo country team

2012: Mozambique country team



