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and rural development to eradicate hunger and poverty

The Global Alliance for the Future of Food



The [Global Alliance for the Future of Food](#) is an alliance of foundations committed to leveraging our resources to help shift food and agriculture systems towards greater sustainability, security, and equity. In the beginning of May the Global Alliance organized a conference in Paris, where Aksel Naerstad, international co-coordinator of the More and Better Network, was present on behalf of the network. *The future of Food: Seeds of resilience, a compendium of perspectives on agricultural biodiversity from around the world* is the new interesting report published by the Alliance, available to download [here](#).

Sustainable Foods Summit



Since 2009, the [Sustainable Foods Summit](#) has been covering major developments in the food industry concerning sustainability and eco-labels, such as Organic, Fairtrade, Rainforest Alliance, etc.

The aim of the Sustainable Foods Summit is to explore new horizons for eco-labels and sustainability in the food industry by discussing key industry issues. How do organic, fairtrade and other eco-labeling schemes further sustainability?

The European edition of the Sustainable Foods Summit will be hosted in Amsterdam on 1-2nd June, the Latin American edition will be hosted in São Paulo on 18-20th September, whilst the first Asia-Pacific edition will be hosted in Singapore on 28-29th November. The next North American edition will take place in San Francisco in January 2018. Each edition will bring together some of the most influential organisations involved in sustainability and eco-labels in the food industry.

Preparing for the High Level Political Forum on the SDGs



The High-level Political Forum is the United Nations central platform for follow-up and review of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and the Sustainable Development Goals (SDG). The forum in 2017 will take place in New York, from July 10 to 19th. The regional preparatory meetings took place from the end of March until May 16th. As part of its follow-up and review mechanisms, the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development encourages member states to “conduct regular and inclusive reviews of progress at the national and sub-national levels...” 44 countries will present reviews in 2017. See more information [here](#). The More and Better Network encourages our members

and other CSOs to share their inputs and work on the SDGs. Please send notes, reports etc to secretariat@moreandbetter.org

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Report of the Special Rapporteur on the Right to Food

Two United Nations experts - The Special Rapporteur on the right to food, Hilal Elver, and the Special Rapporteur on Toxics, Baskut Tuncak, - are calling for a comprehensive new global treaty to regulate and phase out the use of dangerous pesticides in farming, and move towards sustainable agricultural practices. See more on [Agricultural Transition](#)

Some events on food and agriculture in 2017

- June 1-2, European edition of Sustainable Foods Summit
<http://www.sustainablefoodssummit.com/>
- July 10-19, High-level Political Forum on Sustainable Development, NY, USA
<https://sustainabledevelopment.un.org/hlpf>



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