

THE FOOD PRICE CRISIS, GENDER AND POVERTY: LESSONS LEARNED

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The combined effects of the food price crisis of 2008 and the financial and economic crisis that ensued caused an upsurge of the number of hungry people to more than one billion, or about one in every six human beings, for the first time in history. With the incipient signs of economic recovery, the number of undernourished people was reduced significantly, but remains much higher than the already high number that preceded the food price crisis. The crises did not affect all the population in the same way. Populations with lower social inequalities were more protected against their effects. In particular, gender inequalities were one of the factors associated with welfare losses that followed the increases in food prices. The presentation will describe the evolution of world hunger in recent years, analyse the causes of the abrupt increase in food prices in 2007-2008, identify the gender inequalities that contributed to the negative population outcomes, and propose policy options to address the underlying social vulnerability created by gender inequalities.

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