

SUB-SESSION - 4

Mongolian food supply and domestic production

Importance of the topic:

The public-private partnership is of crucial importance in building 100 percent domestic production and supply capacity of the main food products and establishing the commodities market to increase the economic turnover and address the food security issues.

Purpose of the discussion:

The main objectives of the open session on “Domestic Food Supply” are to develop and accelerate agricultural production through advanced technologies and innovations, increase the export of value-added products, reduce the share of semi-finished products by increasing the capacity of processing plants in line with the resources of agricultural products, and introduce high technology, blockchain and artificial intelligence to develop the industry in line with the digitalization of the economy.

Expected outcome of the discussion:

The public and private sectors are expected to work together toward an efficient and open partnership to develop sustainable food supply and production, to reach a consensus on the development of a legal environment, possible solutions, and improve the implementation of collaborative projects and programs.

MODERATOR



GANDIIMAA RENTSENDORJ

Director of Mongolian News Channel, Mongolian National Broadcaster (MNB)

Ms. Gandiimaa has a vast experience of 20 years in journalism. She has worked as a journalist, columnist and senior editor, news producer, a Director of TV and News Channel.

She has a Bachelor's degree in Journalism from the Gazi University in Turkey and a Master's degree from the Peking University in China.

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BOLORCHULUUN KHAYANGAA

Member of Parliament, Chairman
of the Standing Committee on
Environment, Food and Agriculture

His Excellency the Member of Parliament Bolorchuluun Khayangaa has started his career as an Officer at the Executive administration of Citizen's Representative Khural of Dornod aimag in 1987. He then worked as an agronomist, Director of "Khishig Aj Ahui" LLC, "Dornod Flour" LLC from 1990 to 2012. Since 2012, he has been serving as the Member of the Parliament of Mongolia. In 2002, he became the Chairman of the Standing Committee on Environment, Food and Agriculture.

His Excellency the Member of Parliament Bolorchuluun majored as an Agronomist at the Mongolian University of Agriculture

PANELIST



MENDSAIKHAN ZAGDJAV

Minister of Food, Agriculture and
Light Industry

The Minister of Food, Agriculture and Light Industry, Mendsaikhan Zagdjav, has 10 years of experience in the public sector. He used to serve as a Director General at the State Investment Department of the Ministry of Finance, State secretary at the Ministry of Energy and Head of the Policy Coordination on State Property and Regulation at the Government Agency during the last decade. Also, his experience in leading the private sector allows him to generate and implement proper state policies.

HE the Minister Mendsaikhan Zagdjav holds an MBA from the National Academy of Governance.

PANELIST



VINOD AHUJA

Country Representative, Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) of the United Nations (UN) in Mongolia

Mr. Vinod Ahuja holds a Ph.D. in Agriculture and Natural Resource Economics from the University of Maryland, College Park, USA and has worked in international development for almost 25 years of experience. He started his career as a Consultant Researcher at the World Bank. After working with a multi-disciplinary team at the World Bank for three years, he moved to Indian Institute of Management, Ahmedabad (IIMA) as a Professor. After teaching at IIMA for little more than a decade, he joined Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) as Livestock Policy Advisor and was based at FAO Regional Office for Asia and the Pacific in Bangkok. In July 2018, he moved to Ulaanbaatar as the Country Representative of FAO in Mongolia.

PANELIST



OYUNSUREN TSAGAACH

CEO, Ulaanbaatar Flour LLC

Since 1997, she has served as a General Manager, Deputy Director for Sales, and Tavan Bogd Trade LLC CEO. In 2001, she was appointed as the CEO of “Ulaanbaatar Flour” LLC and has been in charge of Ulaanbaatar Flour Milling operations for more than 20 years. Since 2011, she has successfully managed the project of the largest flour milling factory in Mongolia in the industrial zone of Darkhan city, which created more than 290 jobs. Ts. Oyunsuren has a background in the financial management and legal profession with extensive experience in the food industry.

PANELIST



RENCHINSENGEE TSERENNADMID

President of the Mongolian
National Farmers Association

Mr. Renchinsengee is an agricultural engineer and mechanic. For the 37th year in a row, he has been working for professional organizations in agricultural production, such as research, production, business, policy and regulation, and NGOs. Since 2015, he has been the head of the Ministry of Food, Agriculture and Light Industry, the Mongolian Vegetable Association, and the Mongolian National Farmers' Association, developing, approving, and organizing the implementation of the 3rd and 4th Atar campaigns.

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DAVAABAYAR CHIMIDDORJ

President of SMEs Association of Mongolia

Mr. Davaabayar Chimiddorj, President of the Wealth Creators Support Association, started his business in 2005 and has worked as a company executive for about 20 years.

Since the founding of ETV in 2010, ETV has expanded into a multidisciplinary Mass media group. In 2015, the SMEs Association of Mongolia was established. The association is a significant representative and voice of national producers and wealth creators in the small and medium enterprise (SME) sector and has active branches in the capital city, 21 provinces, and 330 soums. Currently, Dr. Ch. Davaabayar is the President of the SMEs Association of Mongolia and the Chairman of the Council of Professional Associations. Davaabayar graduated from the Mongolian University of Science and Technology as a cable fitter and received a master's degree from the University of Humanities and a doctorate from the Graduate University of Mongolia.