

# **Improving Semantics in Agriculture Workshop**

**2-3 July 2015, Rome  
FAO Headquarters**

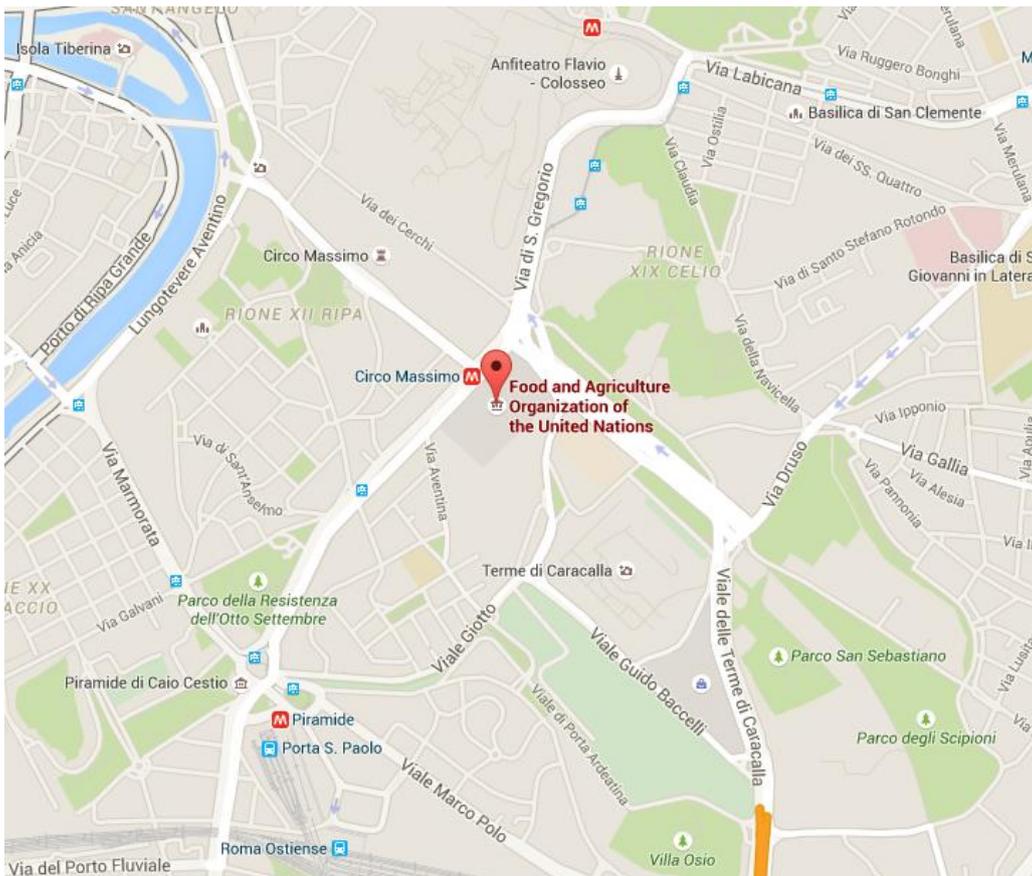
## ACCESS TO THE FAO HQ COMPLEX

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The FAO Headquarters Complex is located on Viale delle Terme di Caracalla, in front of the Circo Massimo. It can be reached by car, bus, tram and Metro line B (“Circo Massimo” stop). [Please see map below.]

Participants should enter at the Main Entrance “Visitor’s reception”. You will need to have a Photo ID to enter the premises and you may be asked to leave it with Security while you are in the building. Once you have passed through Security, enter the main building and collect your building pass in the Turkish Lounge (immediate on the left side after you enter). Keep this badge for all days of the conference. [Please note, the Main Entrance opens at 08:30 a.m. and we encourage you to arrive between 08:15 to 08:30 a.m. as there may be a long line for Security.]

There are six buildings in FAO Headquarters, all interconnected. The buildings are designated with letters from A to F. The entrance is located in Building A.



## Meeting Rooms

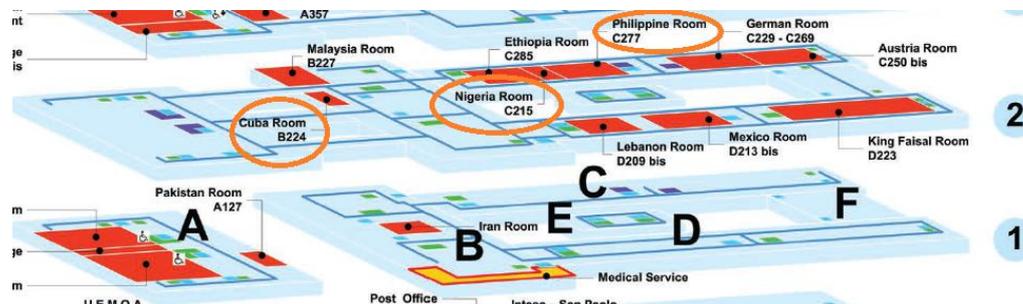
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The meeting will take place in the Philippine Room, the Nigeria Room and the Cuba Room.

**Philippine Room:** C277, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor, building C

**Nigeria Room:** C215, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor, building C

**Cuba Room:** B224, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor, building B



## DIRECTIONS AND TRANSPORTATION

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### From Fiumicino Airport (FCO) to hotels and FAO

#### ***Taxi***

You can take a taxi from the airport to your hotel. Official Rome taxis are white with an identification code on the door, and have a taxi meter. Inside, on the left door of the back seat, there is a plaque indicating the license number and the name of the driver or of the taxi company of which he is a member. The cost is exactly Euro 48.00, for transfer from Fiumicino Airport to the centre of Rome – within the walls – and also in the reverse direction from the centre to Fiumicino Airport. The price includes the cost of luggage and transport for a maximum of four passengers. [<https://www.adr.it/web/aeroporti-di-roma-en-/pax-fco-taxi>]

#### ***Train***

When you arrive at Fiumicino Airport (FCO) in Rome, you can take the regional train to Roma Ostiense Station, which leaves every 15-30 minutes. Take this train in the direction of “Fara Sabina”. The ticket will cost Euro 8,00, and the duration of the trip is about 35 minutes (with several intermediate stops). The Ostiense train station is the closest to FAO and it is connected to the “Piramide” Metro stop. From here, FAO is one Metro stop away at the “Circo Massimo” Metro stop.

Alternatively, there is another train called the “Leonardo Express” which connects directly from Fiumicino Airport to Roma Termini (the main train station in Rome). The cost is Euro 14,00 and the duration of the trip is 30 minutes with no intermediate stops. The Termini train station is connected to Metro line B (3 stops to “Circo Massimo”) and Metro line A.

Please note that if you take the train, you must make sure to validate your ticket by stamping it in the machine before boarding the train.  
[<http://www.trenitalia.com/>]

### ***Metro/Underground***

Rome has two Metro lines, A and B. The Metro stop for FAO is “Circo Massimo” on Metro line B. [<http://www.atac.roma.it/index.asp?lingua=ENG>]

## **ACCOMMODATION**

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A list of hotels close to FAO premises is provided in **Annex I**.

## FACILITIES

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### ***Wi-fi and Telephones***

The telephone number of FAO Headquarters is +3906 5705 + extension. If the extension is not known, dial +3906 57051 for the FAO switchboard operator. Telephones are available in all meeting rooms and lounges and may be used for internal calls, dialing the required extension. They are also located at the entrance to Building A and in the corridors of the first and third floors of Building A.

FAO offers free Wi-Fi coverage in all meeting rooms and catering areas. Participants with laptops, smartphones or tablets may use this service by selecting the network “guest\_internet”.

Username: **Visitor**      Password: **wifi2internet**

No support can be provided if problems arise when connecting to, or using, the wireless internet service.

### ***Money***

There are two Banks both with a few ATM machines on FAO premises, located on the ground floor. There is also a Post Office, also on the ground floor.

### ***Food and Drinks***

The FAO Cafeteria is located on the 8<sup>th</sup> Floor of Building B, and it is open from 12:00 to 2:30 p.m. for lunch. The cafeteria offers a selection of hors d'oeuvres, first and second courses, grill options, and salads. The FAO Restaurant, which is located on the 8<sup>th</sup> floor of Building C, offers a daily menu and à la carte service. A smaller cafeteria called the “Casa Bar” is on the ground floor of Building D.

There are also two bars serving coffee, snacks, salads and sandwiches. The “Blue Bar” is on the 8<sup>th</sup> floor of building C and the “Polish Bar” is on the ground floor of Building A.

### ***News stand***

The News stand is located on the ground floor of Building B near the Banca Intesa San Paolo, and offers international newspapers and magazines, as well as postcards, maps, and a large selection of periodicals. The News stand is open from 06:00 hours to 18:00 hours. For more information, dial extension 53273 (Tel. 06-5705-3273).

### ***The David Lubin Memorial Library***

The David Lubin Memorial Library is located at FAO Headquarters on the Ground Floor of Building A. Established in 1952, the Library is named in honor of the founder of the International Institute of Agriculture (IIA), David Lubin. The extensive IIA collection constituted a starting point for the present-day Library,

which is considered one of the world's finest on food, agriculture and rural development.

The Library has over one million volumes, and the journal collection contains approximately 13,000 titles of which over 3,000 are electronic. The heavily-used working collection consists of FAO documentation, books and serials in FAO subject fields, the reference collection and specialized Branch Library collections in Fisheries and Forestry. The Library also includes the IIA and Rare Books collections.

## **GENERAL INFORMATION**

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### ***Emergency Telephone Numbers***

- Medical Emergencies dial 118 or 30
- General Emergencies dial 113
- Fire dial 115
- Ambulance (Red Cross) 06-5510

The FAO Medical Offices are located in room B-165 (1<sup>st</sup> floor of Building B) and are open between 08:30 and 17:30 hours on FAO working days.

### ***Protecting your valuables***

Participants are reminded not to leave briefcases or any valuable items unattended in conference rooms.

### ***Climate***

Rome experiences mild winters and hot, humid summers. January is the coldest month in Rome, and July and August the warmest. The weather during summer (June to August) can be very hot, with temperatures often exceeding 35°C at midday. Winter (December to February) is mild, with the average temperature in December hovering around 13°C.

### ***Electrical Appliances***

The voltage in Italy is 220V, and plug shapes vary between 2 and 3 round pins. Hardware stores sell electrical adapters.

### ***Lost and found***

If you have lost or found something, please contact the Entrance Reception on the ground floor of Building A, or the Guard Service, extension 54427.

### ***Smoking***

FAO Headquarters is a smoke free area.

## ANNEX I – HOTELS CLOSE TO FAO PREMISES

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### **Max 1km distance:**

#### **HOTEL AVENTINO**

Via di San Domenico, 10  
Tel: 0039-06/570057  
Fax: 0039-06/57005488  
E-mail: : [info@aventinohotels.com](mailto:info@aventinohotels.com)  
Web site: [www.aventinohotels.com](http://www.aventinohotels.com)

#### **HOTEL DOMUS AVENTINA**

Via di Santa Prisca, 11/b  
Tel: +39-06 574 613 5  
Fax: +39-06 573 000 44  
E-mail: [info@hoteldomusaventina.com](mailto:info@hoteldomusaventina.com)  
Website: <http://www.hoteldomusaventina.com>

#### **HOTEL SANTA PRISCA**

Largo M. Gelsomini 25  
Tel +39 06 574 191 7 or +39 06 575 000 9  
Fax + 39 06 574 665 8  
E-mail: [hsprisca@hotelsantaprisca.it](mailto:hsprisca@hotelsantaprisca.it)  
Website: <http://www.hotelsantaprisca.it>

#### **AVENTINO GUEST HOUSE**

Viale Aventino 98  
Tel +39 331 4675450  
Fax+39 06 57133175  
E Mail: [info@aventinoguesthouse.com](mailto:info@aventinoguesthouse.com)  
Website: <http://www.aventinoguesthouse.com>

### **Max. 1.6km distance:**

#### **WORLDHOTEL RIPA ROMA**

Via degli Orti di Trastevere 3  
Tel. +39 06-58611  
Fax +39 06-5814550  
E-mail: [reservations@worldhotelriparoma.com](mailto:reservations@worldhotelriparoma.com)  
Website: <http://www.ripahotel.com>

#### **HOTEL LANCELOT**

Via Capo D'Africa 47, 00184 Rome, Italy  
Tel +39 06 7045 0615  
Fax +39 06 7045 0640  
E-mail: [info@lancelothotel.com](mailto:info@lancelothotel.com)  
Website: <http://www.lancelothotel.com>

**RESIDENCE PALAZZO AL VELABRO**

Via del Velabro 16 - 00186 Roma

Tel. +39 06 679 2758

Fax +39 06 679 3790

E-mail: [velabro@velabro.it](mailto:velabro@velabro.it)

Website: <http://www.velabro.it>

**HOTEL ROMANCE ROME**

Via Marco Aurelio, 37/a

Tel: +39 06 89295106

Fax: +39 06 89767848

E-mail: [info@hotelromance.it](mailto:info@hotelromance.it)

Website: <http://www.hotelromance.it>

**MERCURE ROME CENTRE COLISÉE**

Via Labicana 144

Tel. (+39)06/770021

Fax. (+39)06/77250198

E-mail: [H2909@accor.com](mailto:H2909@accor.com)

Website: <http://www.accorhotels.com/fr/hotel-2909-mercure-rome-centre-colisee/index.shtml>