

Speakers

Imma Subirats, FAO of the United Nations

Imma Subirats is a senior knowledge and information management officer at the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO) since 2006. She works on the advice of standards, tools and good practices for the management and exchange of data in the context of academia, research, and public and private sectors. She is also actively promoting open access and open data in the agricultural research context. In recent years, she has been working on the facilitation of the AIMS community and portal, space for accessing and discussing information management standards, tools and methodologies with the objective to connect information specialists worldwide to support the implementation of structured and linked information and knowledge.

Anwen Chung, UN World Food Programme

Anwen currently serves as programme manager and strategy lead in WFP's Hunger Monitoring Unit. Prior to this, she worked as a Policy and Programme officer across a range of strategic and programmatic areas, including policy formulation and South-South and Triangular Cooperation. Most recently, she supported the successful implementation of Country Strategic Plans – WFP's new strategic and programmatic frameworks – in 83 WFP country offices. Before joining WFP, Anwen worked in the infrastructure consulting sector in Brisbane, Australia. Anwen is originally from Malaysia and holds a Master's degree in International Relations from the University of Queensland, Australia.

Chris Addison, Technical Centre for Agricultural and Rural Cooperation ACP-EU (CTA)

Senior Programme Coordinator, Data4Ag, CTA Chris Addison is Senior Programme Coordinator for Data4Ag in the ICT4Ag team. He leads the "Data4Ag project", which supports field projects, research, capacity building and policy focussed on the use of the data revolution for smallholder farmer groups, cooperatives and farmer-led agribusiness. He also manages the blockchain applications project as a form of validating data in the value chain in agriculture across the ACP through knowledge exchange and experimental projects. He has worked with the Technical Centre for Agriculture and Rural Cooperation (CTA) for the last 6 years on digitalisation and manages the ICTupdate magazine. Previously he was at the International Food Policy Research Institute managing online communications covering the websites and data portals and working on capacity building in Africa. He previously worked as Director for OneWorld Europe serving a membership of 150 development organisations with ICT related services.

Onan Mulumba, Makerere University, Uganda

Onan Mulumba is an academic Agricultural Librarian and the Head of the Agricultural Libraries at Makerere University since July 2007. Additionally he is a Co-project manager for AHEAD at Makerere University. He is Country Focal Point of the Digital Access to Research (DAR) a Technology Bank Project in Uganda and ex-Research4Life users' representative on the Executive Council and Winner of Research4Life Unsung Heroes award in 2013. He participated in implementation of TEEAL-AGORA project activities in Uganda under ITOCA. Onan holds a Bachelor's Degree in Biological Sciences and a Master's Degree in Information Science.

Sarah Cummings, Manager, Nielsen & The Demand Institute

Sarah Cummings joined The Demand Institute, which is a not for profit think tank jointly operated by Nielsen and The Conference Board, in 2016 where she manages Project 8, a global platform for sustainable development data. Prior to this role, she worked in Shanghai with Nielsen's Innovation Practice, a division of Nielsen focused on new product innovation. She led pricing and portfolio studies for major consumer packaged goods companies in China. She has also worked in Beijing, New York City,

Hong Kong, and Washington, DC. She speaks Mandarin Chinese and has travelled to 70 countries across 6 continents.

Vladimir Tsaganov, Alibaba Cloud

Vladimir is an Alibaba Cloud Solutions Architect focusing on developing Data Intelligence Solutions. In this role, he practices the state-of-the art data intelligence technologies in order to help customers seamlessly transform their operations leveraging a more data-driven approach. Vladimir has 10 years first and experience designing, developing, and implementing various enterprise and data intelligence solutions for different vertical industries. Prior to joining Alibaba Cloud, he was leading the Global Solutions Center of ChinaSoft introducing innovative financial and tax administration solutions to enterprises and the public sector.