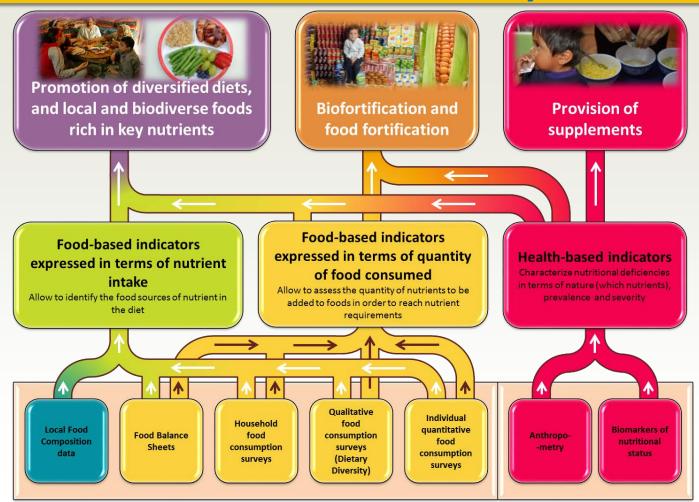
Strengthening Food-based Approaches To Reduce Iron Deficiency: The FAO/WHO Global Individual Food consumption data Tool (FAO/WHO GIFT)

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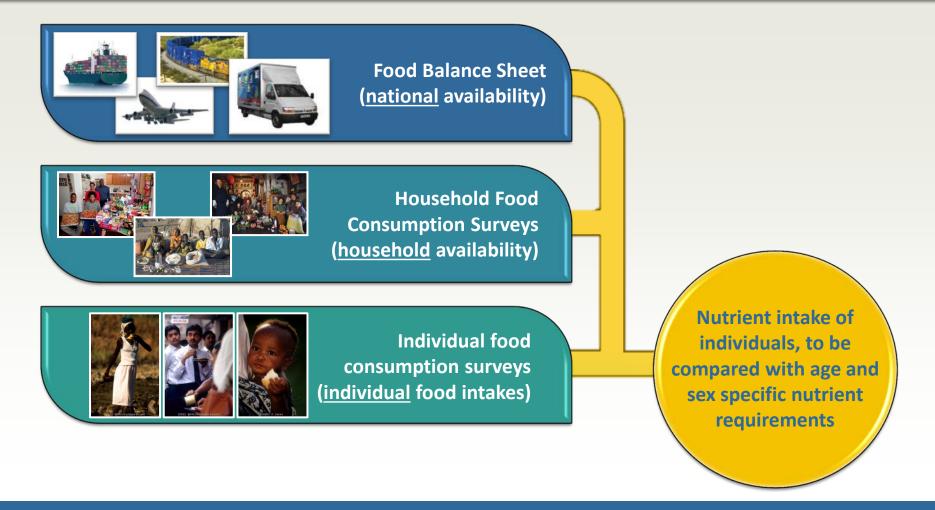
### The theory of change: providing the data that are needed to implement food-based approaches to combat iron deficiency





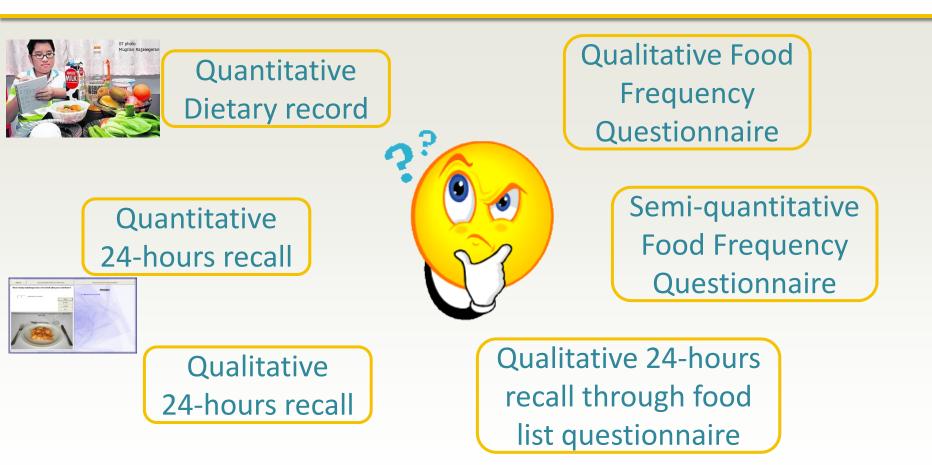


# Data that can be used to assess the nutritional adequacy of the diet





Dietary assessment methods allowing a multipurpose use of quantitative data on food intakes





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## **FAO/WHO GIFT Dissemination platform**



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#### FAO/WHO GIFT | Global Individual Food consumption data Tool

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#### Welcome to the FAO/WHO GIFT dissemination platform!

This platform aims at supporting policy makers, program planners, NGO staff and many other stakeholders in taking informed decisions at country, regional and global level in the area of nutrition and food safety. FAO/WHO GIFT makes publicly available existing quantitative individual food consumption data from all countries around the world, collected through both large nationwide surveys and small scale surveys. The platform provides food-based indicators in the field of nutrition and food safety as well as microdata.



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## The platform provides an inventory of existing quantitative individual food consumption datasets worldwide

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## Each survey contains a metadata that indicates if the information on iron intake was collected

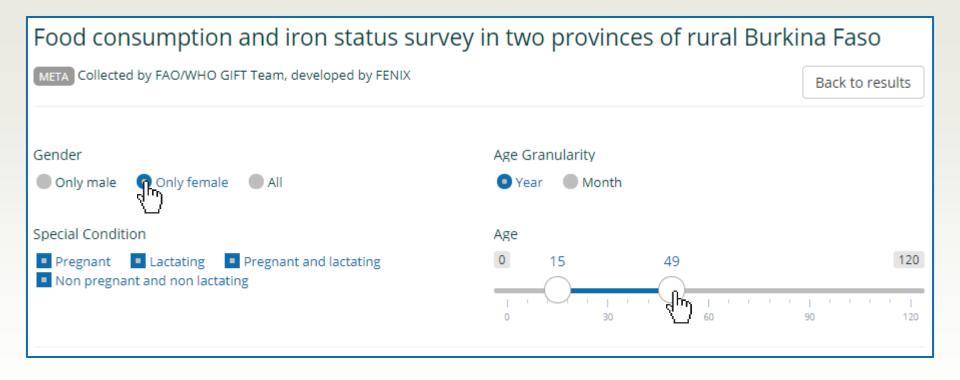


Micronutrients available in the dataset

Calcium,Iron,Jinc,Vitamin A,Vitamin C,Vitamin B6 (Pyridoxine),Vitamin B12 (Cobalamin),Vitamin B1 (Thiamin),Vitamin B2 (Riboflavin),Vitamin B3 (Niacin),Vitamin B9 (Folate)

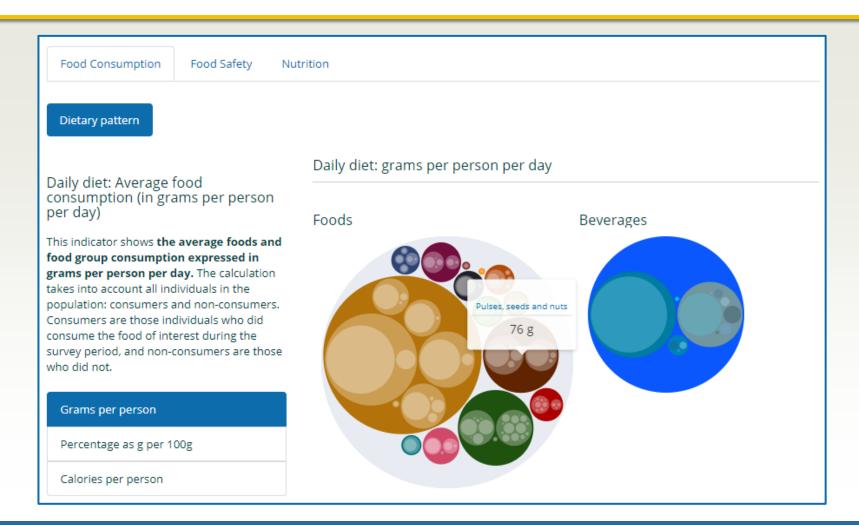


# The end user can select the population group that is at risk of iron deficiency



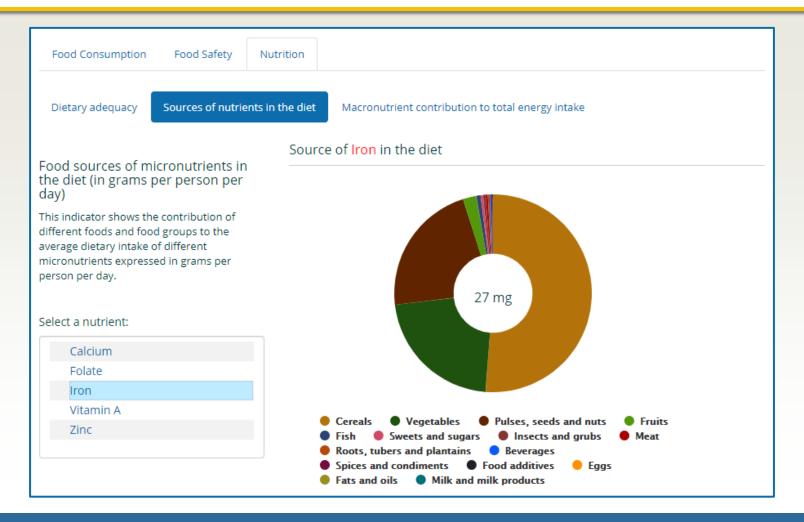


### Food consumption patterns are described through average food consumption



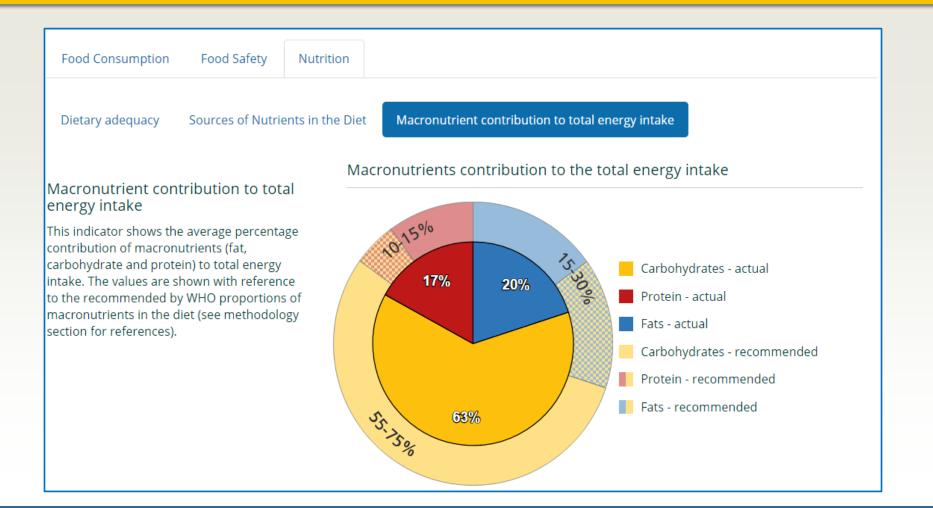


# The main sources of iron and other key micronutrients are identified





## The overall adequacy of the diet is assessed through macronutrient contribution to total energy intake



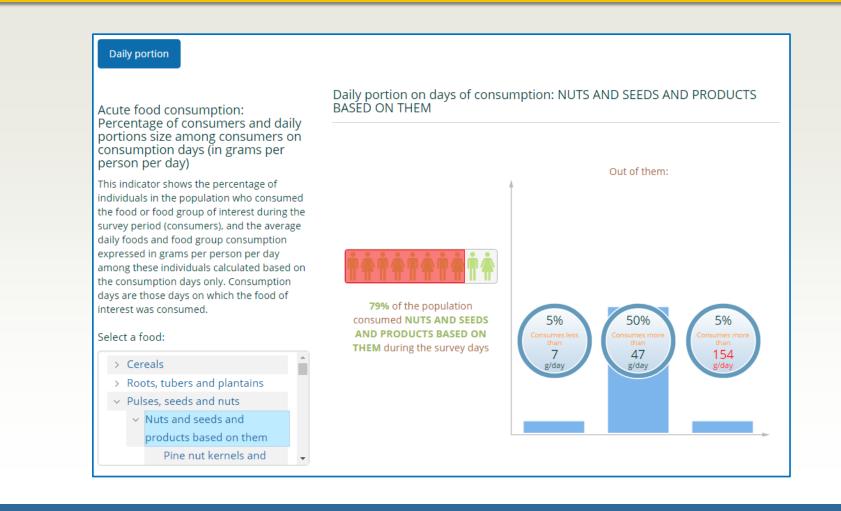


# The proportion of the population at risk of micronutrient deficiency is estimated

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## High consumption of specific foods allows the assessment of dietary exposure to food chemicals



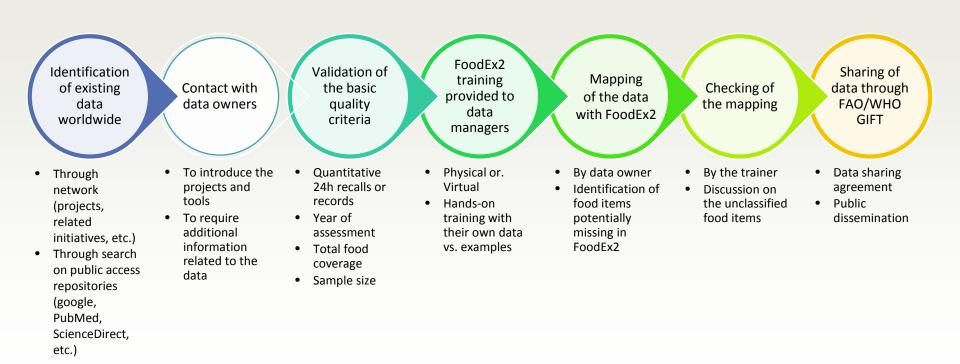


## Microdata and metadata describing the datasets can be downloaded by the end user

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HarvestPlus Bangladesh Bio-fortified Rice Project - Baseline Dietary Survey	475	Bangladesh	2007	Download	Metadata
Philippines - 2003 - FNRI/HarvestPlus	1205	Philippines	2003	Download	Metadata
Food consumption and iron status survey in two provinces of rural Burkina Faso	960	Burkina Faso	2010	Download	Metadata
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# Harmonisation of individual food consumption data at global level





## What is FoodEx2?

FoodEx2 is a comprehensive system allowing classification <u>and</u> description of foods at the same time developed by the European Food Safety Authority (EFSA)

- The same food item can be referred to in different ways
- FoodEx2 is a concrete proposal for a common language across databases worldwide



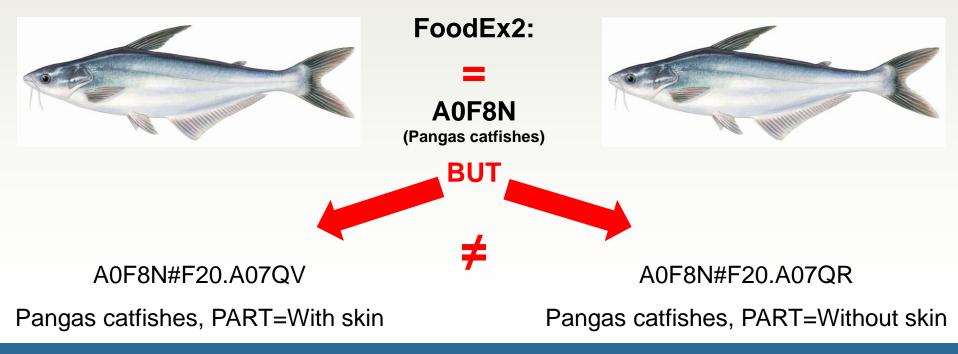


## Food description with FoodEx2

 FoodEx2 allows us to precisely describe the food as consumed through facets

UK: "16-382 – Pangasius"

ASEAN: "AAG217 - Striped catfish"



## Upgrade of FoodEx2 at global level

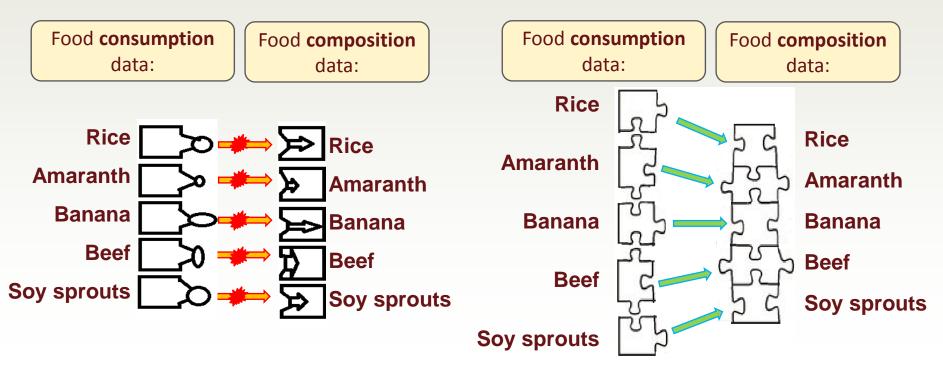
- Initiated in 2014 in collaboration between EFSA, FAO and WHO
- Addition of food items not consumed in Europe

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Ł¥	Ants (Uganda)	Banana flower (Bangladesh)
A A A	Termites (Uganda)	Kapok flower (Burkina Faso)
¥	Mayflies (Burkina Faso)	Roselle flower (Burkina Faso)



## Matching with food composition data

When different coding systems are used food matching has to be done manually: When one coding system is used, large part of the matching can be automatized:





### **FoodEx2 Browser**

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- Identifying information needs: webinars with potential users
- December 2016: 16 webinars involving 83 potential end users
- January to March 2017: 11 webinars involving 90 end users

#### Harmonizing information:

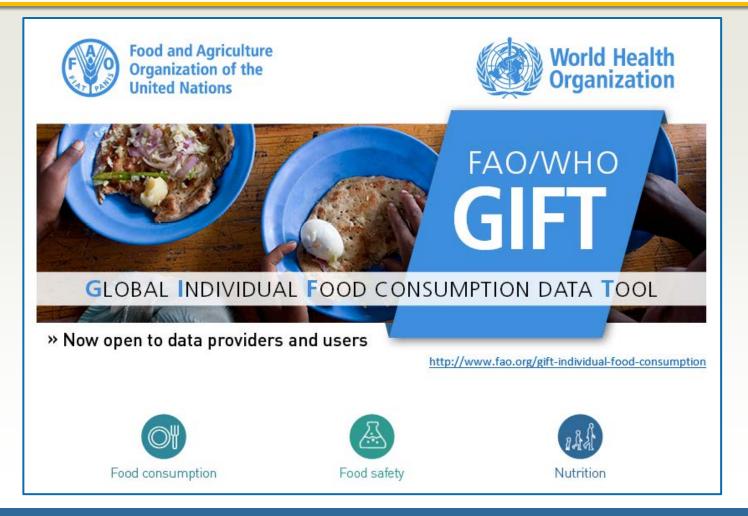
- Upgrade of the FoodEx2 food categorization and description system to global level
- Support to data owners to harmonise their datasets with FoodEx2 (physical and on line trainings)

#### • Sharing data:

• development and publication of the FAO/WHO GIFT dissemination platform



# FAO/WHO GIFT official launch to data providers and users





## The FAO/WHO inter-agency team currently developing FAO/WHO GIFT

#### FAO:

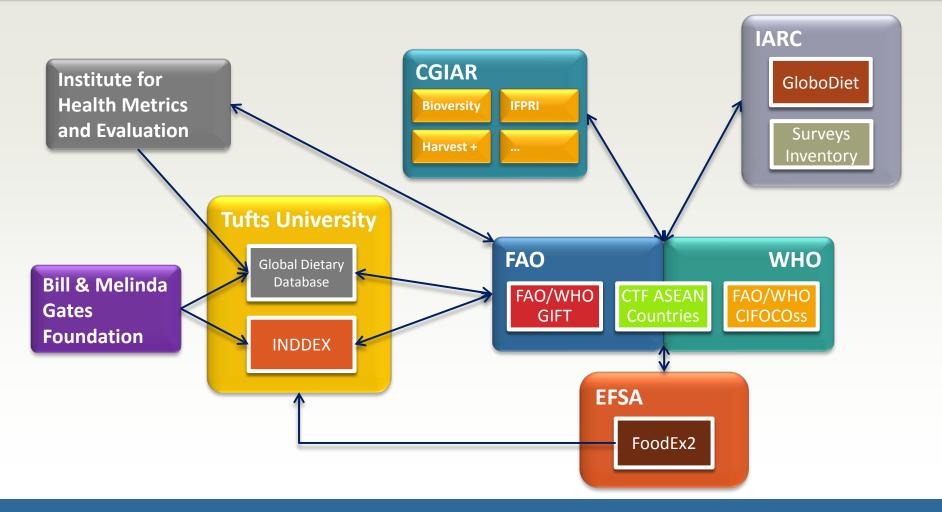
- Nutrition and Food Systems Division (ESN)
- Information Technology Division (CIO)
- Statistics Division (ESS)
- Food Safety and Quality Unit (AGFF)

### WHO:

- Department of Food Safety and Zoonoses (FOS)
- Department of Nutrition for Health and Development (NHD)

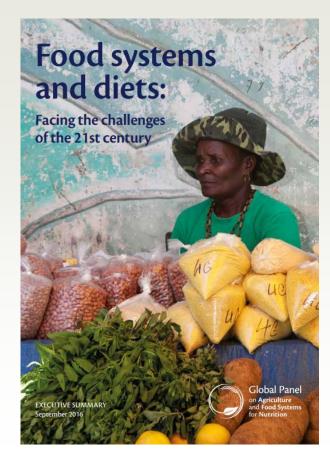


## **Projects and collaborations overview**





## They feel the need for FAO/WHO GIFT !



#### Box 3: Research priorities

Research on food, agriculture and nutrition must be refocused on achievement of healthy diets The international and national agricultural research communities should play a strong leadership role in promoting research that addresses productivity, profitability, sustainability and nutritional goals at the same time. A 'high-quality diet' lens must guide a rebalancing of funding allocations across the food system.

#### Metrics for diet quality and the food system need to be modernized

They are also needed to enable policy makers to monitor the implications of dietary choices for the future of the environment.

#### More and better data

Effort is urgently needed to substantially improve the quantity and quality of dietary data. Few national governments collect the data required to inform decision makers about what people actually eat and the UN has no functioning global dietary database. Recent efforts to gather data such as the Global Dietary Database (GDD) and FAO/WHO GIFT (FAO/ WHO Global Individual Food Consumption data Tool), being developed by the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO) and the World Health Organization (WHO), should be built upon.

Many other indicators for the food system also need to be collected, for example on food quality and safety to help policy makers understand the links between food systems and actual nutritional outcomes.

#### More and better evaluation

Policy makers need to be able to assess the effect that specific interventions and policy actions have on diet quality and to determine how they could be improved. For example, recent work to track changes in the purchases of sugarsweetened beverages in Mexico following imposition of a new tax, sheds important light on consumer choices in a changing food environment.

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COMMENT



A woman feeds her malnourished child in the Democratic Republic of the Congo

### A new global research agenda for food

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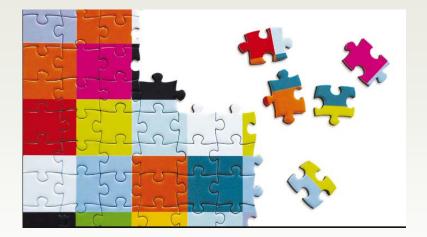
path from undernutrition to obesity. The efforts required from the international community are equivalent to those marshalled to tackle HIV/AIDS, malaria and smoking. In particular, upgent interdisciplinary research is needed to support concerted One of the 10 priorities: "Make more data on diets widely available. It is currently difficult to compare diets across cultures, geographies and time. This has hampered a global consensus on what constitutes a healthy diet. A pilot project — the FAO/WHO Global Individual Food consumption data Tool (FAO/WHO GIFT; see go.nature.com/faogift) — aims to answer some elements, but has too few resources to be truly effective. The project needs a larger team to collate many more national surveys and develop guidelines for future surveys. "

Haddad, L. et al. Nature, 2016



## In the area of individual food consumption data we are working towards....

### Harmonizing

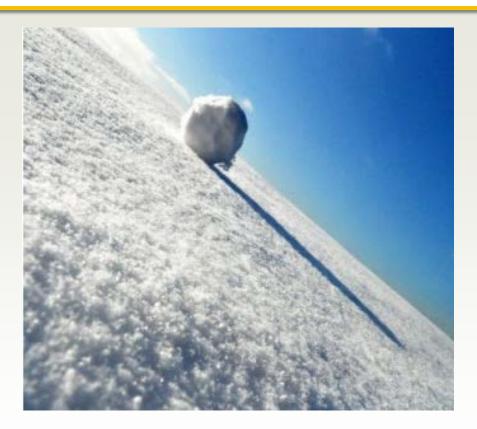








## How to reach these two goals?



#### through a snowball effect...



## Our team in the Nutrition and Food System Division at FAO Head Quarters



