



# FOOD SECURITY STANDARD



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## How Food Security Can Be Integrated In Certification Schemes: The Food Security Standard

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# WELTHUNGERHILFE

- One of **Germany's largest private aid agencies** conducting over 400 projects in 39 countries
- Fights **against hunger** – non-denominational and politically independent – works together with local partner organisations wherever possible
- Our principle: **helping people to help themselves**
- Pursues an integrated concept ranging from immediate **disaster relief** and **reconstruction** to long-term **development projects**
- **Advocates for the poor and hungry**



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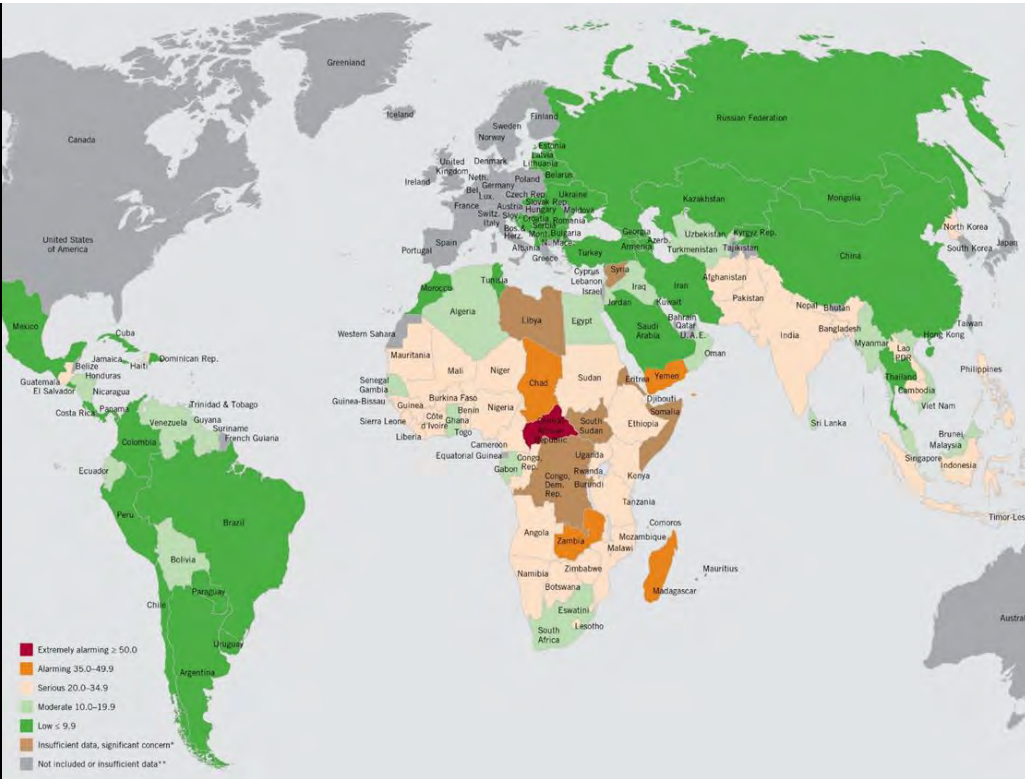


# 821 MILLION PEOPLE ARE GOING HUNGRY



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GLOBAL HUNGER INDEX 2019  
BY SEVERITY



More than 1 in 9 of the world population

80% OF THE WORLD'S HUNGRY LIVE IN RURAL AREAS



Source: (Hungry people in rural areas) WFP 2015

<http://www.globalhungerindex.org/>

# SUSTAINABILITY STANDARDS



Food Security?





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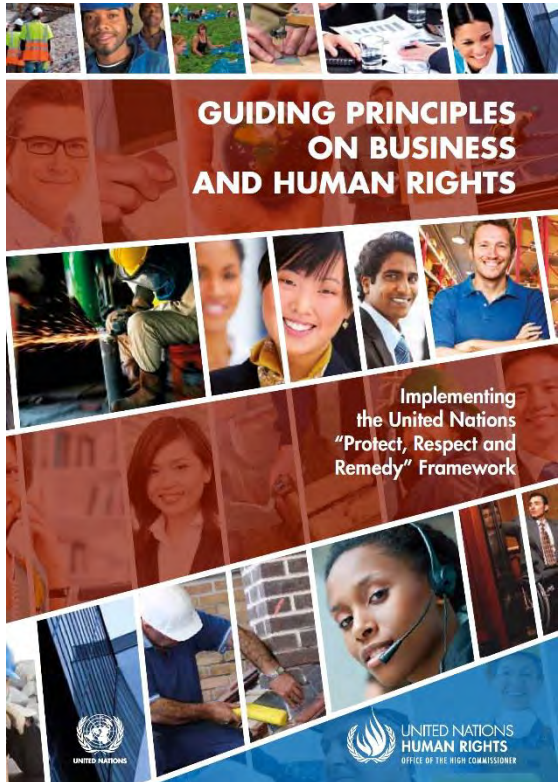


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# Corporate Human Rights Due Diligence



## THE UNIVERSAL DECLARATION OF Human Rights

10 Dec. 1948, Article 25 (1):

“Everyone has the **right to** a standard of living adequate for the health and well-being of himself and of his family, including **food, ...**”

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## Davos Manifesto 2020: The Universal Purpose of a Company in the Fourth Industrial Revolution

iii. A company considers its suppliers as true partners in value creation. It provides a fair chance to new market entrants. It integrates *respect for human rights into the entire supply chain.*



# FSS is Rooted in the Right to Food

## Five Pillars of the Food Security Standard

- Rule of law
- Food security / development strategies
- Mitigating natural and human-made disasters
- ...

- Land rights
- Water rights, quality and availability
- Sustainable agricultural practices
- ...

- Market access
- Employment
- Farm profitability
- Fair contracts
- Labor rights
- Living wage / income
- Safety nets
- ...

- Clean drinking water
- Adequate nutrition
- Decent living facilities
- Health and safety
- ...

- Women rights, gender equity
- Awareness for nutrition
- Grievance mechanisms
- Capacity building
- Education
- Monitoring food security
- ...

**Stability**

**Availability**

**Access**

**Utilization**

**Cross-cutting**

**UN Right to Food Guidelines  
Human Right to Adequate Food**

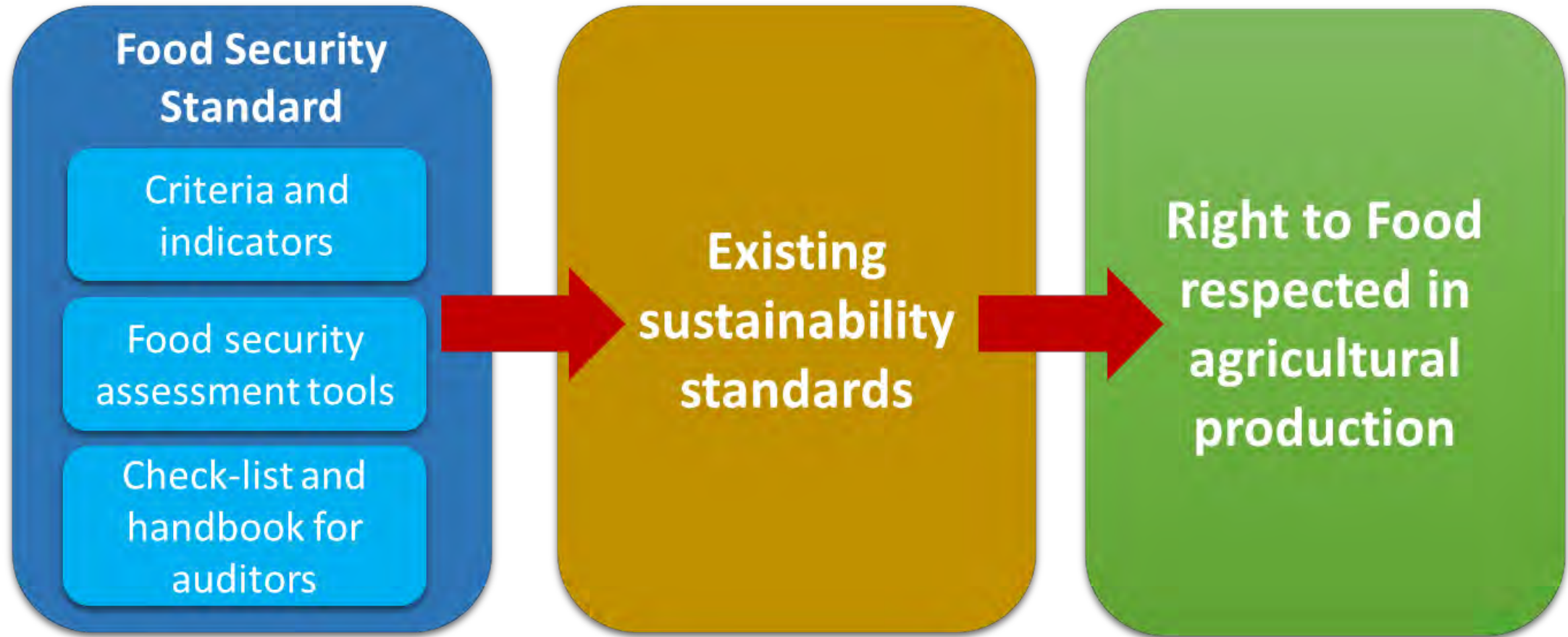


Right to adequate Food is protected by producers of agricultural commodities within their field of responsibility:

- Farmers and workers are food secure
- Food security in area of influence does not deteriorate



# FSS and Sustainability Standards





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# FSS Successfully Tested in Different Settings





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# Pilot Audit in St. Cruz Dept./Bolivia





- ✓ Proven and recognized set of food security criteria and indicators that can be adopted (fully integrated or as add-on) by any sustainability standard/certification system
- ✓ Suitable for different agricultural commodities and different uses (food, feed, energy, bio-based materials)
- ✓ Suitable for plantations and smallholder farmers
- ✓ Tools for straightforward implementation:
  - FSS Handbook
  - Audit tools (checklists, interview guidelines etc.)
  - Training materials

# Why Should an Operation Comply with FSS?

- Food and nutrition security
  - are crucial for the health of farmers and workers
  - and as such are essential to ensure the productivity of the farm/plantation and the quality of the products
  - are necessary to ensure a peaceful and safe surrounding of the operation
  - are cornerstone for a sustainable production
- Prove that all reasonable precautions and due diligence were applied to avoid committing an offence of the Human Right to Food
- Mitigation of reputational risks
- Competitive advantage
- Rising market demand
  - new legislations expected which apply the respect of human rights along global supply chains



# READY FOR IMPLEMENTATION



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A screenshot of a web browser showing the ISCC website. The browser tab is titled 'Food Security - ISCC System' and the address bar shows 'https://www.iscc-system.org/about/food-security/'. The website header includes the ISCC logo (International Sustainability & Carbon Certification) and a navigation menu with links for 'About', 'Process', 'Certificates', 'Trainings & Events', 'Stakeholders', and 'Smallholder Academy'. The main content area features the heading 'ISCC is partner of the Food Security Standard (FSS)' and a section titled 'FSS | PROJECT' with logos for WWF, zef (Center for Development Research University of Bonn), and welt hunger hilfe. A paragraph of text below the logos discusses the increasing international demand for agricultural commodities and the role of the Food Security Standard (FSS). A right-hand sidebar contains a list of navigation links: 'About', 'Objectives', 'The Impact of Our Work', 'Governance & Transparency', 'Food Security', 'Circular and Bio-based Economy', 'Sustainable Aviation Fuels', 'Benchmarking', and 'News'.

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### FSS | PROJECT

Due to an increasing international demand for agricultural commodities, food security and the production for export are often competing. The Food Security Standard (FSS) closes this gap and provides a set of practical and measurable criteria and audit tools that can be integrated into existing sustainability standards like ISCC. The FSS was established

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# Let's go for it!

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