

MEDIA STATEMENT

Bonn/Berlin, 21. July 2023. From 24-26 July, the so-called "UN Food Systems Summit +2 Stocktaking Moment" will take place in Rome. At this meeting, a balance is to be drawn two years after the UN Food Systems Summit of 2021. Mathias Mogge, Secretary General of Welthungerhilfe, said:

“In September, the Sustainable Development Goals reach their halftime. Unfortunately, we are far from overcoming global hunger by 2030. At the United Nations Food Systems Summit two years ago, countries around the world recognized the urgent need for a transformation of our food systems. The importance of the Grain Deal to the global food situation shows the weaknesses of the current system. Based on the action plans established since the last summit, a review will now take place in Rome. The international community will be judged on whether it improves the situation of those most affected by malnutrition. Worldwide, 735 million people go hungry. Marginalized groups such as indigenous peoples, small farmers, women and youth are still not sufficiently involved as key actors in shaping this change. Next week's summit must urgently create a new momentum and offer agreements. The right to food must be at the center of the debate. The millions of hungry people around the world in particular have a right to sufficient and healthy food. With enough political willpower, a strong international cooperation and the necessary financial resources we are able to end the hunger worldwide”.

Mathias Mogge is available for interview (English and German).

Additional information is available at
<https://www.welthungerhilfe.org/media/>.

For a virtual participation please register [here](#). You can find the full program [here](#).



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