



MISSIONE PERMANENTE DI OSSERVAZIONE
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THE RIGHT TO ADEQUATE FOOD: *for a dignified human life*



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Moderator:

Ms Yasmina Bouziane. Director Office of Communications. FAO

11.05 Prof. Francesco Bonini - Rector of the LUMSA University. Rome

Opening and Welcome

11.10 H.E. Card. Gianfranco Ravasi - President Emeritus of the Pontifical Council for Culture

The right to life and the right to food. An inseparable bond. Biblical perspective.

11.25 H.E. Mr Álvaro Lario - President, IFAD

Rural Development and the Right to Adequate Food

11.35 H.E. Mr Maurizio Martina - Deputy Director-General, FAO

The right to adequate food within FAO's mandate.

11.45 H.E. Ms Carla Barroso Carneiro

**World Food Programme 2026 Executive Board Bureau's President
Permanent Representative of Brazil to FAO, IFAD and WFP**

State Responsibility and Public Policy to promote the Right to Adequate Food

11.55 H.E. Mr Federico Zamora

Permanent Representative of Costa Rica to FAO, IFAD and WFP

Peace and Right to Adequate Food

12.05 Sister Helen Alford

President, Pontifical Academy of Social Sciences

Universal destination of goods as the basis for the right to food

12.15 Dr. Victor Genina

Director of Integral Human Development. Caritas Internationalis

Preferential option for the poor. Moral imperative in the fight against hunger

12.25 Mr Juan Echanove - Lead of the Right to Food Team (FAO)

Key Takeaways: The Right to Adequate Food and Why It Matters

12.35 Ms Yazmina Bouziane

Questions and Answers

12.50 Mgr Fernando Chica Arellano

Permanent Observer of the Holy See to the FAO, IFAD and WFP

Closing Remarks