



# ECO Regional Coordination Centre for Food Security

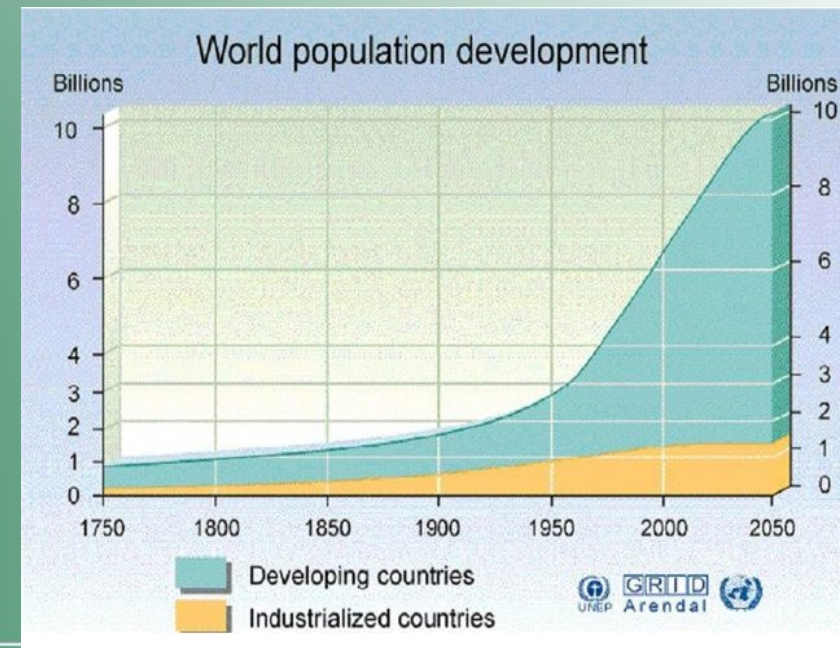
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# What is Food Security?

“Food security exists when all people, at all times, have physical, social and economic access to sufficient, safe and nutritious food which meets their dietary needs and food preferences for an active and healthy life.” (FAO)

“Food is Available & Accessible” at:

- Sufficient Quantity
- Acceptable Quality and Nutrition
- Affordable Price



# Birth of RCC

**ECO 20th Regional Planning Council** (2010, Antalya)

**Turkey >>** elected as the coordinating country on FS

**ECO 19th Council of Ministers** (2010, Istanbul)

**RCC >>** decided to be based in Ankara

**ECO 5th Council of Ministers on Agriculture**  
(2012, Antalya)

**RCC >>** publicly announced

# Establishment of RCC

- ◆ Established within the DG for EU and Foreign Relations, MFAL, in 2012
- ◆ A coordination unit of ECO on food security
- ◆ Full time staff appointed by MFAL
- ◆ Fully financed and supported by MFAL of Turkey for a period of 3 years under FTTP



# What is FTTP ?

- ◆ **FAO – Turkey Partnership Programme:**  
An annual Trust Fund contribution of \$2mio by Turkey
- ◆ **Covers: AZ, KZ, KG, TJ, TM, TR, UZ (7 of 10 ECO MS)**
- ◆ **2007-2011 (1st Phase) : \$10 mio**
- ◆ **31 projects were supported (1st Phase)**
- ◆ **2nd Phase is under negotiation between RT & FAO**
- ◆ **25% of 2nd phase budget > may be allocated to FS**

# Status of ECO Projects under FTTP

## 1) ECO-RCC :

“Establishment of Coordination Unit for Food Security in the ECO Region” Project (\$500,000)

## 2) ECOSA :

“Seed Sector Development in the ECO Region” Project (\$350.000 FTTP + \$50.000 ECO)

## 3) Prevention of Transboundary Animal Diseases Project

(\$200.000; was left out from FTTP (1st Phase)

# Goals of RPFS and RCC

- ◆ **Achieve FS in ECO region**
- ◆ **Enhance cooperation on FS**
- ◆ **Raise awareness on FS**

# Functions of RCC

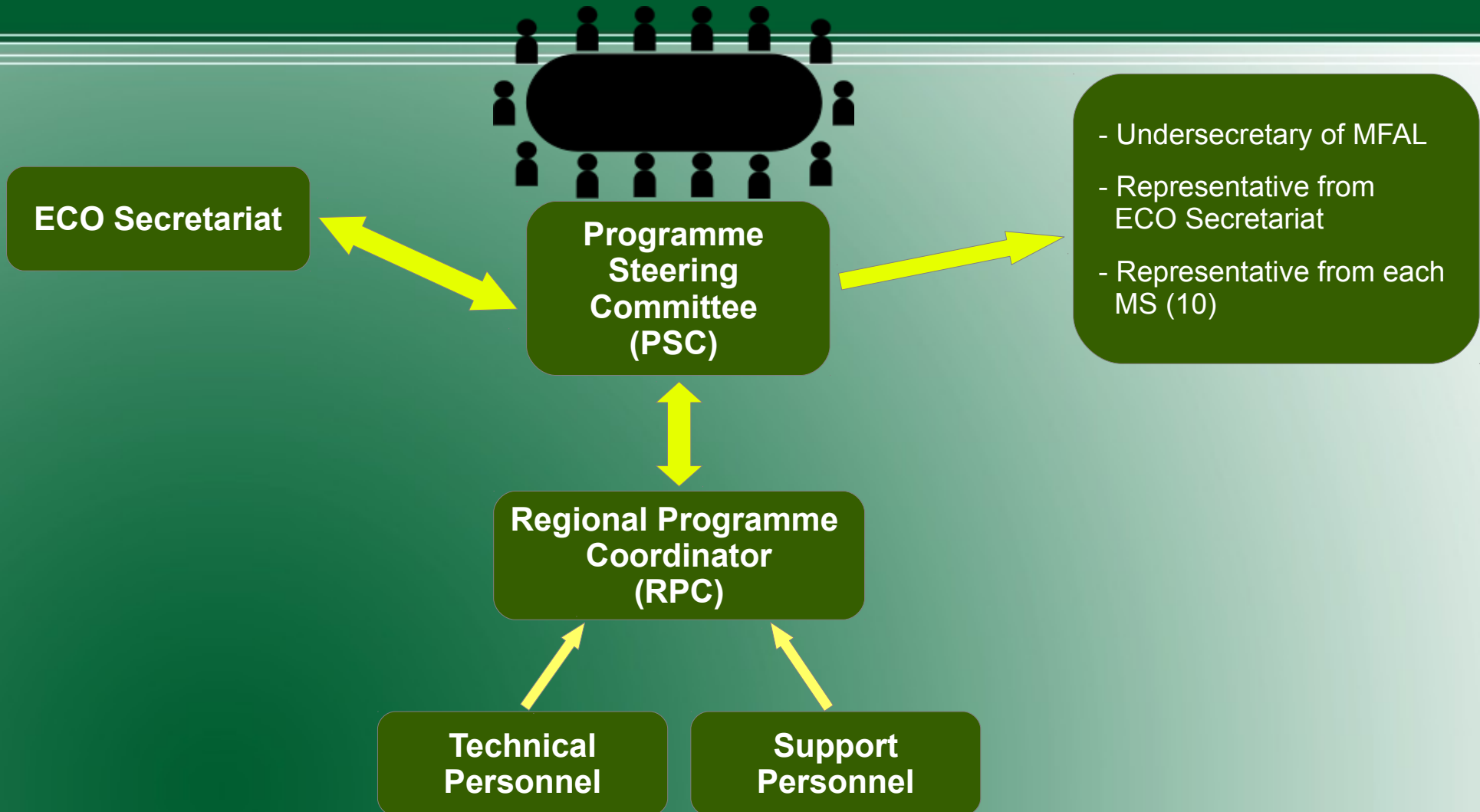
- ◆ Facilitating & coordinating all activities under RPFS
- ◆ Enhancing cooperation and information exchange on FS
- ◆ Collaborating with stakeholders interested in FS
- ◆ Contacting potential donors for funding projects
- ◆ Raising awareness on FS in ECO Region
- ◆ Organizing trainings, seminars and workshops on FS

Cooperating closely with

FAO-SEC & ECO Secretariat



# Organisation & Working Principles



# RCC's Activities (Past)

## ◆ Training of RCC Staff (as a Project Activity)

- Writing skills and preparing presentation
- OIC-COMCEC PCM Project Preparation



# RCC's Activities (Past) - Website Launched

Welcome to ECO-RCC Website - Mozilla Firefox

Doşya Düzen Görünüm Geçmiş Yer İmleri Araçlar Yardım

Welcome to ECO-RCC Website

www.eco-rccfs.org

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for Food Security

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## Important Reminder to RCC Event Participants

Published: Tuesday, 27 August 2013

This is an important reminder for our invitees on the urgency of registering for both the First Programme Steering Committee and the RCC Food Security Inception Workshop.

In order for us to make the necessary arrangements regarding air flight tickets and hotel reservations within time, we urgently need your confirmation **no later than 10 September 2013**.

If you fail to do so, we may not cover your travel expenses. For those who do not have a valid passport, please take into account the fact that the **passport process** might take longer than you think.

The updated draft agendas of both events and registration forms are available at our website:  
<http://www.eco-rccfs.org/index.php/activities>  
<http://www.eco-rccfs.org/forms/RegForm.pdf>

Please contact us right away if you have any questions or concerns about the event participation.

Published: Friday, 26 July 2013

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**Thank you for visiting our website.**

**The website is currently under construction, therefore some pages or links may not work time to time.**

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Important Reminder to RCC Event Participants
- Online Course on Food Security by FAO
- COMCEC Project Funding - PCM

### DATA & STATS

- 2012 Global Food Policy Report
- 2012 Global Hunger Index
- FAO Food Price Index
- OIC Member States in Figures
- World Agricultural Production

### USEFUL WEBSITES

- Food Security Portal
- Improved Global Governance for Hunger Reduction Prog.

### LOGIN FORM

User Name

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# RCC's Activities (Near Future)

- ◆ **Programme Steering Committee Meeting (25 Sep 2013)**
- ◆ **RCC Inception Workshop on FS (23-24 Sep 2013)**
  - Invitation letters were sent to Secretariat for distribution.
  - Agendas are available on our website.
  - KG, PK, AZ and TR have confirmed their participations in both events.
  - Other Member States are urged to confirm participation.
  - Confirmed Organisations: IDB, FAO, ICARDA, OIC-SESRIC

# RCC's Activities (Future)

- ◆ **Food Security and PCM Training (04-22 Nov 2013)**
  - Participants: AF, KG, TJ and UZ (determined by FAO)
  - Training programme was designed by FAO and RCC.
  - 2 stage training (each will be 3 wks theoretical; incl. 1 wk applied)
  - Training will be given by METU Continued Education Centre.
  - Financed by Turkey (TIKA and MFAL) and FAO
  
- ◆ **OIC-COMCEC PCM Project Submission**
  - Call for proposals was publicly announced on 2 Sep 2013
  - Grants are available for projects on agriculture and FS (up to \$250.000)
  - Turkey, eligible as a participant in Ag WG, is planning to submit projects

# Development of RPFS

- **ECO Ministerial Meeting, Islamabad (2002)**

- ◆ Decision: Preparation of a regional strategy for agricultural development and food security

- **FAO – ECO Technical Cooperation Project (2005)**

- ◆ RPFS was developed.
- ◆ RPFS was finalized in 2008 and revised in 2010.



# RPFS & Main Components



# Current Status of RPFS - FUNDING

- **No International Funding Available Yet**  
(neither grant, nor loan by IFI (i.e. WB, IFAD))
- **Partial funding by Turkey, FTTP and ECO**
- **IDB's interest on giving loan and possibly small grants**
- **Submission of RPFS as a TAP to GAFSP**
- **OIC-COMCEC PCM Programme (Call for Proposals)**
- **MS Contributions are necessary to attract the interest of IFI**
- **Modification of RPFS; drop some, create concrete projects**



# Final Notes & Requests

- ◆ Participation in our Events (23-25 Sep 2013 )
- ◆ Member State Contributions towards RPFS
- ◆ Support from Ministers of Finance on RPFS
- ◆ Denomination of National Focal Points for FS Working Group
- ◆ Creating Food Security Projects in line with RPFS
- ◆ Help on Publicity & Promotion of RCC



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