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REPORT

**Celebration of “16 OCTOBER 2009 - WORLD FOOD
DAY”**

&

“FAO 64th anniversary” in Romania



Achieving Food Security in Times of Crisis

“At a time when the global economic crisis dominates the news, the world needs to be reminded that not everyone works in offices and factories. The crisis is stalking the small-scale farms and rural areas of the world, where 70 percent of the world’s hungry live and work.”

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Dear Mrs. Maria KADLECIKOVA,

Dear Mrs. Fernanda GUERRIERI,

Dear Colleagues,

Following the official letter from FAO DG Mr. Jacques DIOUF, Mrs. Maria KADLECIKOVA, Assistant Director-General and Regional Representative for Europe and Central Asia and Mrs. Fernanda GUERRIERI Deputy Regional Representative and Subregional Coordinator for Central and Eastern Europe to the Romanian Minister of Agriculture, Forestry and Rural Development we are pleased to inform you that for the celebration of the World Food Day 2009 (WFD) and FAO 64th anniversary in Romania under the direct coordination of **Mr. Bogdan BAZGĂ - FAO National Correspondent in Romania**, the following actions have been taken:

First action : Seminars, conferences, workshop and presentation

- The FAO National Correspondent in Romania Mr. Bogdan BAZGĂ in collaboration with the Faculty of Agrifood and Environment Economics – Bucharest Academy of Economic Studies organized a special *Conference & Workshop on food security on crises times. The importance of Agriculture in the world – economic impact. Could the Agriculture save the world hungry crises till 2025?*

The event was organized in two parts, first was the general presentation of the “2009 World Food Day - Achieving food security in times of crisis” and the workshop; including presentation, analyses and questions; at the second part was the general presentation of the conclusion.

- At this event participated, presented and try to answer at the question professors from the Faculty of Agrifood and Environment Economics

- The event took place in the Bucharest Academy of Economic Studies and participated many students from first and second studies year¹.

The event was made with the involvement of:

- Mr. Prof. Nicolae ISTUDOR, PhD - Vice Rector of the Bucharest Academy of Economic Studies and professor at the Faculty of AgriFood and Environment Economics.
- Mr. Prof. Victor MANOLE, PhD - The Dean and professor of Faculty of Agrifood and Environment Economics
- Mrs. Prof. Mariana BRAN, PhD and Ms. Irina PETRESCU, PhD student and Assistant at the Faculty of AgriFood and Environment Economics.

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- Bucharest Academy of Economic Studies -



Opening Session & General Presentation.

¹ The Event was also in the national mass-media.

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Workshop I



Workshop II



Second action : Other Seminars, conferences, workshop and presentation.

- The Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development (MAFDR) had organised in all the Romanian territory (through the Directorates of Agriculture and Rural Development which are located in all 42 counties), a special information program about the **WFD 2009 – Achieving food security in times of crisis.**
- A donations of food products was granted in Romanian territory by the Counties Directorates of Agriculture and Rural Development for children and adults from social care houses in own and in other neighbour regions of the country. In other counties it was also donated fruit trees which were planted by the children giving the message all over the world "child to child for for pure and clean food"

- On Friday 16 of October and Monday 19 of October 2009 as well, the UN FAO National Correspondent was also involved in special radio shows, and presentet the importance of WFD 2009.

Note: *An important moment was, when the FAO National Correspondent in Romania, Mr. Bogdan BAZGĂ, proposed (by radio & mass-media and also at the workshop) to all the Romanian citizens to try to think and find “How much cost one glace of water and one bread slice?”*

Then ... if, they will find out, ,, all of them are invited to not throw these away. Because, somewhere in this world, there are children and persons who suffer from hunger!”

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Partners involved in organizing the events dedicated to 2009 World Food Day are the Counties Directorates of Agriculture and Rural Development and the Faculty of Agrifood and Environment Economics - Bucharest Academy of Economic Studies. All this event was promoted in mass-media, national journals, television and "Itsy Bitsy" FM, radio station for children.

Website were can be find all the information concerning the WFD 2009 events in Romania, articles, news and press releases promoted in Romania by the UN-FAO National Correspondent in Romania, Mr. Bogdan BAZGA:

- <http://www.madr.ro/>
- <http://www.itsybitsy.ro/Stiri/Ziua-mondiala-a-alimentatiei-2290.html>
- <http://www.vocea-romaniei.ro/index.php?name=News&file=print&sid=20977>
- <http://tvr.ro/articol.php?id=70696&c=151>
- http://www.euractiv.ro/uniunea-europeana/articles%7CdisplayArticle/articleID_18490/Ziua-mondiala-a-alimentatiei-2009-UE-lider-al-luptei-mondiale-impotriva-foametei.html
- <http://www.astonsoftware.ro/component/eventlist/details/429-ZIUA%20MONDIAL%20ALIMENTA%C5%A2IEI.html>
- http://www.realitatea.net/astazi-este-sarbatorita-ziua-internationala-a-alimentatiei_642171.html
- <http://www.fabricadebani.ro/news.aspx?iid=21284>
- <http://www.monitoruldevaslui.ro/2009/10/16-octombrie-ziua-mondiala-a-alimentatiei.html>

World Food Day - Press Release

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