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# SCHOOL FEEDING IN LATIN AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN

*History and perspectives*

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Global agenda on school food  
and nutrition



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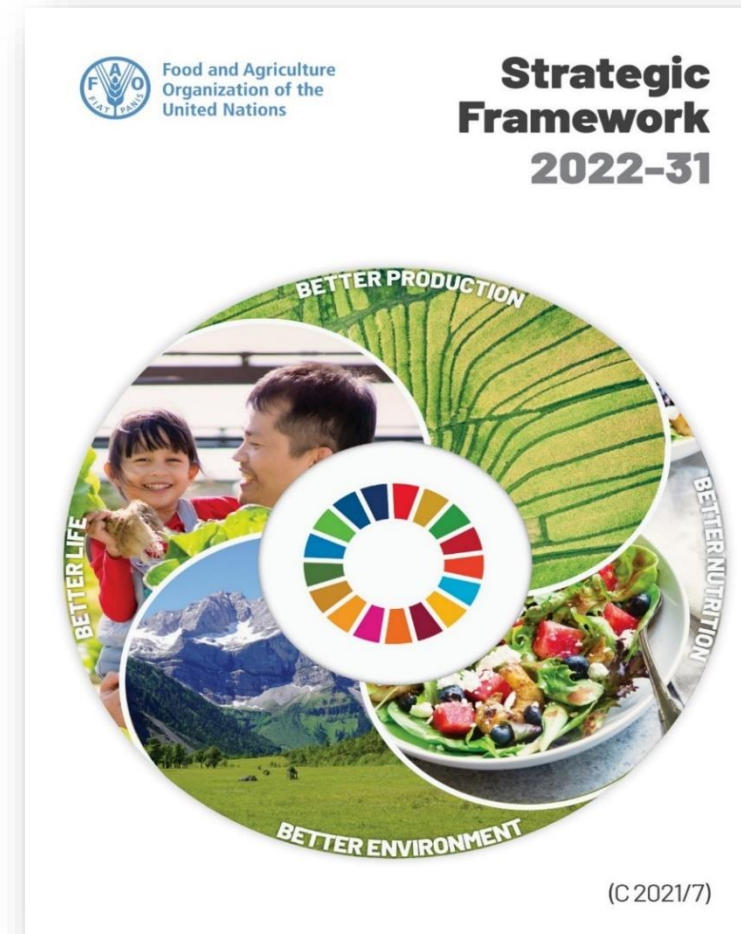
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# FAO Strategic Narrative

Supporting the Agenda 2030 through the transformation to MORE efficient, inclusive, resilient and sustainable agri-food systems for *better production, better nutrition, a better environment, and a better life*, leaving no one behind.





# School Food and Nutrition

‘School food and nutrition’ (SFN) refers to complementary interventions/programmatic options to obtain benefits throughout the food, nutrition and education nexus, using the school setting as the centre for development.

- SFN Framework is based on a **holistic approach**
- SFN is NOT a substitute for school meal/feeding programmes.



# School Food and Nutrition Approach



- Better diets and nutrition of schoolchildren and adolescents
- The realization of the right to food in schools
- Community socioeconomic development
- Local food system transformation



# Healthy food environment and school food

## OBJECTIVES

- Ensure that food available in the school is safe and aligned with the nutritional priorities of schoolchildren.
- Foster a healthy food environment within the school premises and beyond.





# Food and nutrition education

## OBJECTIVES

- Foster the development of lasting food skills and the adoption of healthy and more sustainable behaviours.
- Empower school actors to be agents of change in the food system.





# Enabling policy, legal and institutional environment

## OBJECTIVES

- Support countries to adopt evidence based policies, legal and institutional frameworks to effectively implement comprehensive SFN policies and programmes
- Improve accountability across sectors and institutions for SFN and for safeguarding children's right to food





# Inclusive procurement and value chains

## OBJECTIVES

- Create market and financial opportunities for local smallholder producers contributing to community economic development
- Provide school meals with safe, nutritious, diverse, acceptable and locally produced foods, prioritizing available supply from smallholder farmers and small and medium enterprises







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# Corporate framework and strategic action plan



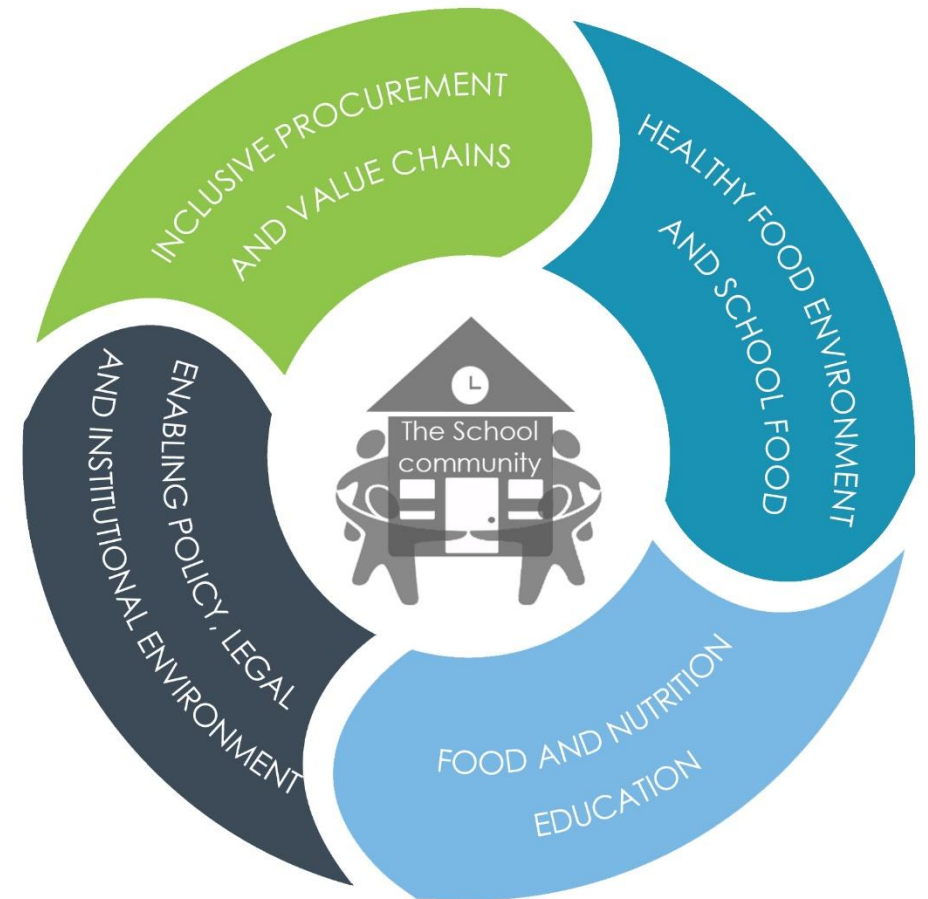
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## FAO School Food and Nutrition Framework



Describes holistic vision for food system transformation





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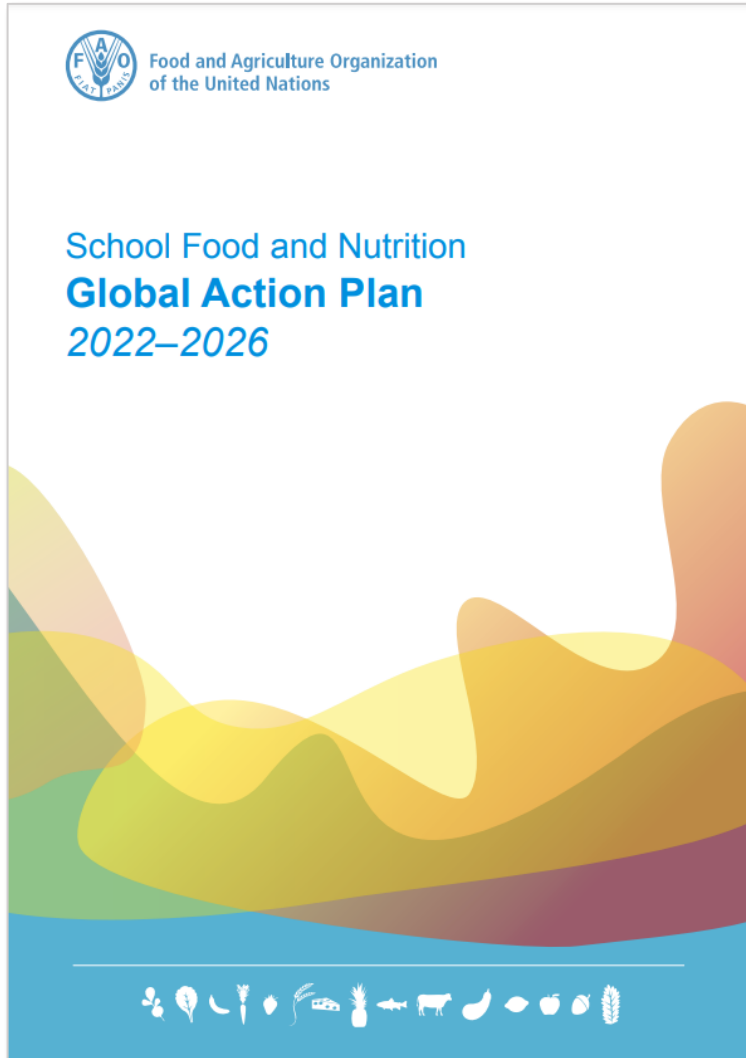


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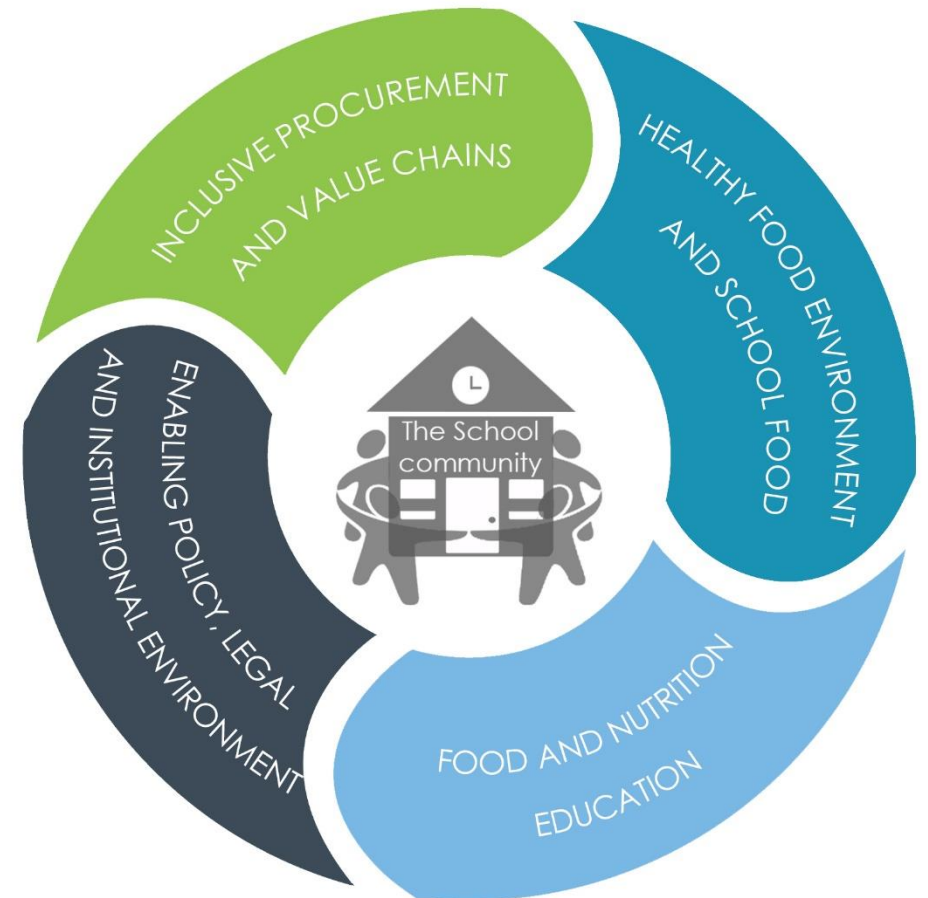
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# Corporate framework and strategic action plan



**Describes priority areas of work :  
Evidence generation, technical support, strengthening institutions, and advocacy**





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# FAO's priorities for support in School Food and Nutrition



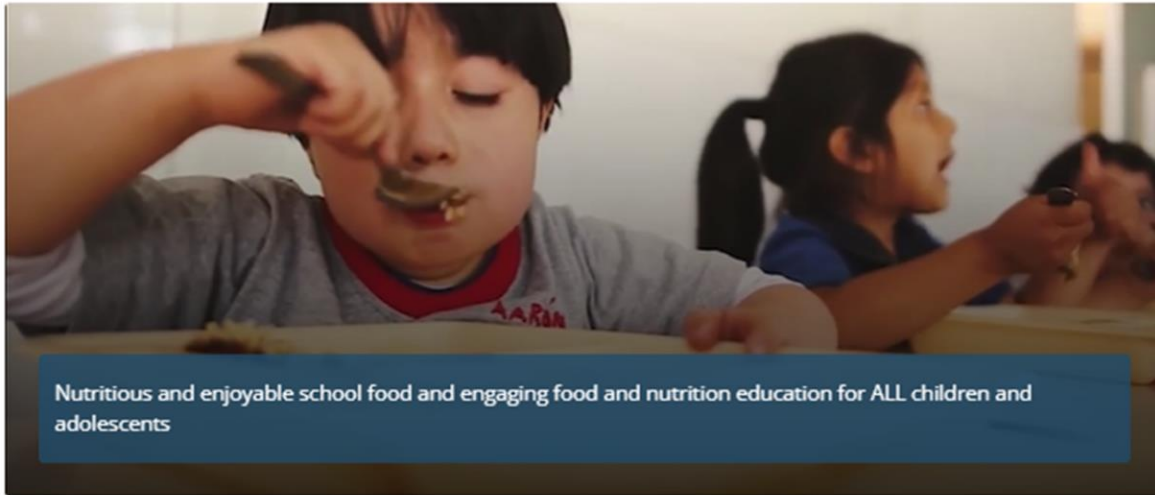
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## School food global hub

About Around the world ▾ Countries' corner ▾ Youth corner News and events ▾ Technical resources ▾



Nutritious and enjoyable school food and engaging food and nutrition education for ALL children and adolescents

Healthy school food environments, coupled with engaging food and nutrition education, play a fundamental role in the nutrition and well-being of schoolchildren and adolescents, thus contributing towards their development.

This hub hosts up-to-date information about the situation of school food nutrition guidelines and standards (NGS) and food and nutrition education programmes around the world, as well as tools and guidance to support the design and implementation of school food and nutrition policies and interventions. It also offers a space for youth and the school community to share their experiences and make their voice heard.

The hub is constantly being updated and more aspects of school food and nutrition will be added regularly.



## School Food Global Hub

- Updates on school food nutrition guidelines and standards (NGS) and food and nutrition education programmes around the world
- tools and guidance to support the design and implementation of school food and nutrition policies and interventions
- space for sharing especially for youth and the school community

<https://www.fao.org/platforms/school-food/en>



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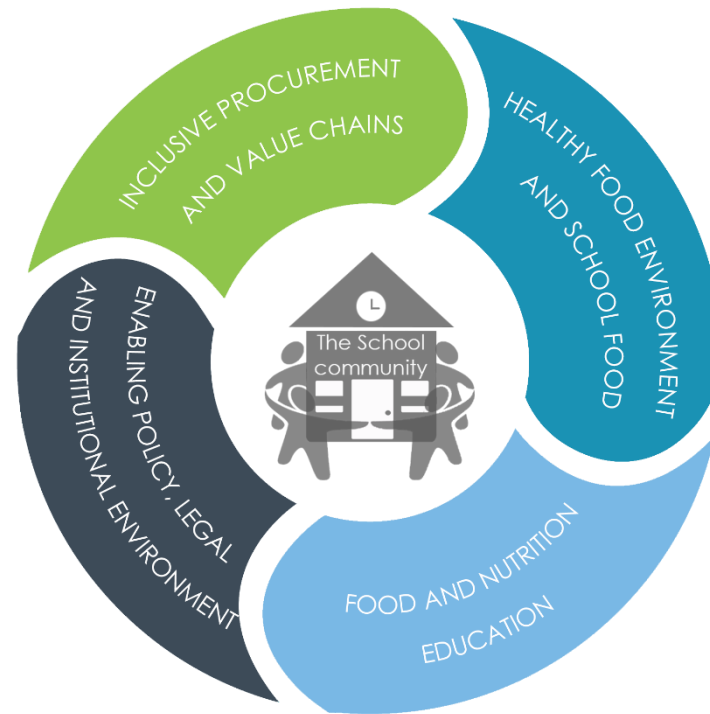


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