

# The Canadian Food Security Policy Group and CIDA's Food Security Strategy

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# FSPG: who are we?

Coalition of over 20 Canadian Development NGOs and  
farmers organizations

Focus on Canadian policy issues that affect the rural  
poor in the South

# CIDA's Food Security Strategy: What we know

Brings together short term and long term approaches  
to food security together under one overarching  
strategy

Recognizes and commits to supporting improved  
global food security governance.

Three pillars: Sustainable Ag Development, Food Aid  
and Nutrition, Research)

\$600M to Ag development

# CIDA's Food Security Strategy: What we don't know

- Full Strategy has not been released to date
- How (and whether) this is will translate into changes in programming directions?

# FSPG Policy Priorities for 2010

1. Follow and continue to try and influence the food security strategy
2. Influence GoC's position on Global Food Security Governance
3. Continue to push for a 'whole of government' approach to food security (address trade/investment)

# Some policy influence activities for 2010

- Meetings with key government stakeholders (both political and officials)
- Organize presentations at CIDA on key issues of concern for FSPG membership (Food security – nutrition links, Resilient Agriculture systems)
- Policy Briefing Notes and letters (G8/G20, PM letter)
- Developing ‘new’ competencies and directions (trade/investment)
- Direct policy dialogue