

MEDIA ADVISORY: Historic First Leaders' Meeting of the Global Alliance against Hunger and Poverty to Convene in Doha

Countries to Announce Multi-Million Dollar Partnerships to End Hunger and Poverty

DOHA, QATAR – The Global Alliance against Hunger and Poverty will convene its first Leaders' Meeting on November 3, 2025, bringing together Leaders, Ministers, and CEOs from its 200 member countries and organizations at the Qatar National Convention Centre. The one-day gathering, held on the eve of the Second World Summit for Social Development, marks a pivotal moment in the global fight against hunger and poverty.

WHAT TO EXPECT:

New Model for International Cooperation

The meeting will showcase a fundamentally different approach to development cooperation — one that puts country-owned programs against hunger and poverty at the center and aligns multiple partners around national priorities, rather than fragmenting support across small projects or donor-driven initiatives. With national development budgets under pressure, the Global Alliance against Hunger and Poverty offers a chance to allocate aid resources more effectively and equitably in the interests of the world's poorest and most vulnerable people.

Major Partnership Announcements

Four countries — Ethiopia, Haiti, Kenya, and Zambia — will announce concrete multi-partner implementation plans for large-scale national programs against hunger and poverty. These announcements represent the very first results from the Alliance's ongoing Fast-Track Implementation Planning Initiative, which has mobilized over 85

expressions of interest from international financial institutions, bilateral donors, UN agencies, and philanthropies in just a few months. Several other countries have also finalized or are putting the final touches on their plans under the Fast-Track approach and are garnering support, including Benin, Cambodia, Dominican Republic, Indonesia, Mozambique, Palestine, Rwanda, and Tanzania. Leaders from Cuba, Somalia and other Alliance member countries are expected to announce their joining of this initiative in Doha.

Expected commitments include:

- Multi-million-dollar financing packages from development banks and bilateral partners
- Technical cooperation agreements spanning social protection, agriculture, nutrition, and water access
- Integrated approaches combining cash transfers, school feeding, smallholder farmer support, graduation, child protection and climate resilience

High-Level Participation

Confirmed speakers include:

- Sheikh Mohammed bin Abdulrahman Al Thani, Prime Minister of Qatar
- H.E. Mr Paul Mashatile, Deputy President of the Republic of South Africa
- H.E. Manuel Marrero Cruz, Prime Minister of Cuba
- H.E. Dr. Mostafa Madbouly, Prime Minister of Egypt
- H.E. Roxana Mînzatu, Executive Vice-President of the European Union
- H.E. Salah Ahmed Jama, Deputy Prime Minister of Somalia
- H.E. Annalena Baerbock, President of the UN General Assembly
- Ministers, Heads of Agency and senior officials from over 80 countries and major international organizations including Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO), Inter-American Development Bank (IDB), International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD), International Labor Organization (ILO), United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF), World Food Programme (WFP), and World Bank.
- Senior figures from corporate philanthropy and non-government organisations.

EVENT DETAILS:

Date: Monday, November 3, 2025

Time: 9:00 AM – 5:00 PM (Doha time)

Venue: Qatar National Convention Centre, Exhibition Hall 2

POST-EVENT PRESS CONFERENCE:

Date: Monday, November 3, 2025

Time: 5:30 PM (Doha time)

Venue: Qatar National Convention Centre, Press Briefing Room (Auditorium 1, Ground Floor)

- Minister Wellington Dias, Minister of Social Development and Assistance, Family and Fight Against Hunger, Brazil
- Hon. Doreen Sefuke Mwamba, Member of Parliament and Minister of Community Development and Social Services, Zambia
- Director of the Global Alliance Support Mechanism, Renato D. Godinho

Format: Press conference with initial remarks from authorities, followed by Q&A

EVENT LIVESTREAMING AND PHOTOS:

Live Streaming through UNWebTV: <https://webtv.un.org/en/asset/k11/k11q7vo7vu>

Official photos from the Leaders' Meeting will be available at:

<https://photos.app.goo.gl/wdpNMXkRXrtmoJYB9>

AGENDA HIGHLIGHTS:

9:00 AM – Opening Ceremony

10:00 AM – High-Level Debate 1: Opening Fiscal Space and Mobilizing Financing

2:00 PM – Special Session: Fast-Track Country Partnership Announcements

2:50 PM – High-Level Debate 2: Reinventing International Cooperation

5:30 PM – Press conference

MEDIA ACCESS:

Media access, photography and filming will be permitted only during the Opening Ceremony (9:00-9:45 AM) and the Press Conference (5:45-6:15 PM). Media wishing to attend must be accredited through the Second World Summit for Social Development registration process.

For media inquiries and interview requests: press@endhungerandpoverty.org

ABOUT THE GLOBAL ALLIANCE:

Launched at the G20 Summit in Brazil on November 18, 2024, the [Global Alliance against Hunger and Poverty](https://www.endhungerandpoverty.org) has grown from 148 founding members to over 200 members in one year, including more than 100 countries, the African Union, European Union, 24 international organizations, 9 international financial institutions, and over 30 philanthropic and non-governmental organizations. The Alliance aims to accelerate progress toward SDGs 1 and 2 by providing coordinated support from its Members for national, large-scale evidence-based policies and programs. Website: www.endhungerandpoverty.org

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