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## **Developing nations offer creative solutions for tackling hunger, says Assembly President**



General Assembly President Nassir Abdulaziz Al-Nasser

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The President of the General Assembly today lauded the Global South-South Development Expo held in Rome as a strong testimony to the creativity of developing countries to achieve global food security.

“This year’s Expo has demonstrated the power of the Global South to respond quickly to development challenges and meet global needs for adequate food and nutrition,” he stated in

[remarks](#) to the closing ceremony that were delivered by his Deputy Chef de Cabinet, Tariq Ali Al-Ansari.

“We can leave here today, knowing that the South-South spirit of striving for collective self-reliance is stronger than ever before,” he stated, noting that there have been many “dynamic” examples of successful solutions on display to address the pressing demand for food security.

“Documenting, showcasing and exchanging these solutions and lessons learned will allow for their scaling up and easy replication across the globe,” said Mr. Al-Nasser. “This is imperative for us to truly energise the agenda for South-South and triangular cooperation.”

South-South cooperation is based on solidarity among developing countries and links countries that have development solutions to share, with countries in need of expertise.

Representatives of countries, civil society, the private sector and UN agencies came together at the week-long Expo, hosted by the UN Food and Agriculture Organization ([FAO](#)), to share success stories from past and ongoing South-South partnerships, and explore new ideas and solutions for long-term and sustainable food security.

“During our time together, we have been reminded of the tremendous number of hungry people in the world, but we have also been encouraged by success stories shared from all over the world,” stated Mr. Al-Nasser.

“In many Southern countries of Asia, Africa and Latin America, these solutions and innovative partnerships have captured our interest and ignited our imagination.

“As we now prepare to go back to our homes and offices, it is also time to plan for the years ahead, envisioning how best we might translate the knowledge and experiences shared here into real, sustainable solutions,” he said.

“Achieving food security is our collective purpose moving on from this Expo.”

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