Press Release



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Link NCA Learning Event Slums of Nairobi: What socio-anthropology teaches us about undernutrition?

28th February, Nairobi, Fairview Hotel, 8.45am - 6.00pm

Tuesday 28th of February, Action Against Hunger and Concern Worldwide will present the major findings of their pilot study on undernutrition pathways in slums of Nairobi. Using an innovative method named Link NCA, they based their work on solid statistics triangulated with an in depth investigation amongst communities, taking inhabitants perceptions under consideration and integrating them into core analysis.

The learning event, will be opened **Gladys Mugambi**, **Head of Nutrition and Dietetics Unit at the Ministry of Health of the Republic of Kenya and Ester Mogusu**, **Nairobi County Nutrition Coordinator**. The study preliminary outcomes will then be shared and a voice will be given to successful initiatives undertaken in the slums.

The study partially challenged the research assumptions, regarding social bonding and overlap of traditional practices. Besides, it also confirmed some hypothesis as the challenges faced by the inhabitants to combine economic constraints and poor living conditions with optimal childcare and child nutrition.

Speakers:

- Gladys Mugambi, Head of Nutrition and Dietetics Unit at the Ministry of Health of the Republic of Kenya
- Ester Mogusu, Nairobi County Nutrition
 Coordinator
- Claudio Torres, Participatory Slum Upgrading unit, UN-HABITAT
- Blanche Mattern, Action Against Hunger, Link NCA Technical Advisor
- Mercy Wahome, Link NCA Analyst

- Joseph Njuguna, Quantitative Analysis Expert
- Musa Juna, Urban Farming Coordinator, Ruben Center
- Kassim Lupao, co-senior nutrition and health, Concern Worldwide
- Bessie Nikhozi, Urban Livelihoods and Social Protection Manager, Concern Worldwide
- Dr. Elizabeth Kimani, Research Scientist, Health Challenges and Systems Program, APHRC
- Milka Njeri, Research Assistant, APHRC