

Biography

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Silvia Sperandini is a Senior Technical Specialist on Gender and Social Inclusion at IFAD, where she has been working for over 25 years in different capacities. She is currently acting as Programme Manager for a multi-country programme focused on rural women's economic empowerment.

She holds an advanced university degree in Political Science and International Affairs and a Postgraduate Master's Degree in Programme Management and International Cooperation for Development.

Her professional profile combines a strong academic background with extensive field, operational and policy-level experience in rural development. Throughout her career, she has worked not only on gender equality and women's empowerment, but also on sustainable production and farming systems, inclusive value chains, programme design, supervision and partnership building.

Before joining IFAD, she worked with other international organizations, including UNOPS (Dominican Republic) and WFP Headquarters, as well as with Italian NGOs, where she managed development programmes, partnerships, resource mobilization initiatives and multi-stakeholder coordination processes.

Silvia strongly believes in a people-centred approach to development. In her view, rural transformation requires a holistic and integrated perspective, where efforts to enhance productivity, market access, rural finance and institutional development are complemented by sustained attention to nutrition security, environmental and social sustainability, inclusivity and the equitable distribution of power, resources and workloads. This approach places rural people women and men, youth, elders and Indigenous Peoples at the centre of development interventions and policy engagement.



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