The Sustainable Rice Platform (SRP) as a strategy towards Nutrition Security

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The Sustainable Rice Platform (SRP) is a multi-stakeholder platform established in 2011 with more than 90 members as of today. The SRP is co-convened by UN Environment and the International Rice Research Institute (IRRI) to promote resource efficiency and sustainability in trade flows, production and consumption operations, and supply chains in the global rice sector. The SRP pursues public policy development and voluntary market transformation initiatives to provide private, non-profit and public actors in the global rice sector with sustainable production standards and outreach mechanisms that contribute to increasing the global supply of affordable rice, improve livelihoods for rice producers and reduced environmental impact of rice production. Nutrition security of producers and consumers is positively affected through the implementation of the SRP Standard and/or SRP Performance Indicators. The presentation will highlight examples from SRP field pilots. For example, how diversified crop rotations, as well as increased farm income, provide the enabling conditions for a more secure nutrition of producers. Reduction in the exposure to agrochemical residues or aflatoxins improves the food safety of consumers, which is an important part of nutrition security.