



Food and Agriculture Organization  
of the United Nations

# FAO elearning Academy and RUFORUM

Transforming knowledge into global  
human capacity and real-life impact!

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FAO elearning  
ACADEMY

**+ 1000**  
partners  
worldwide

**+ 1000**  
Multilingual  
certified  
courses

Global  
Public  
Good

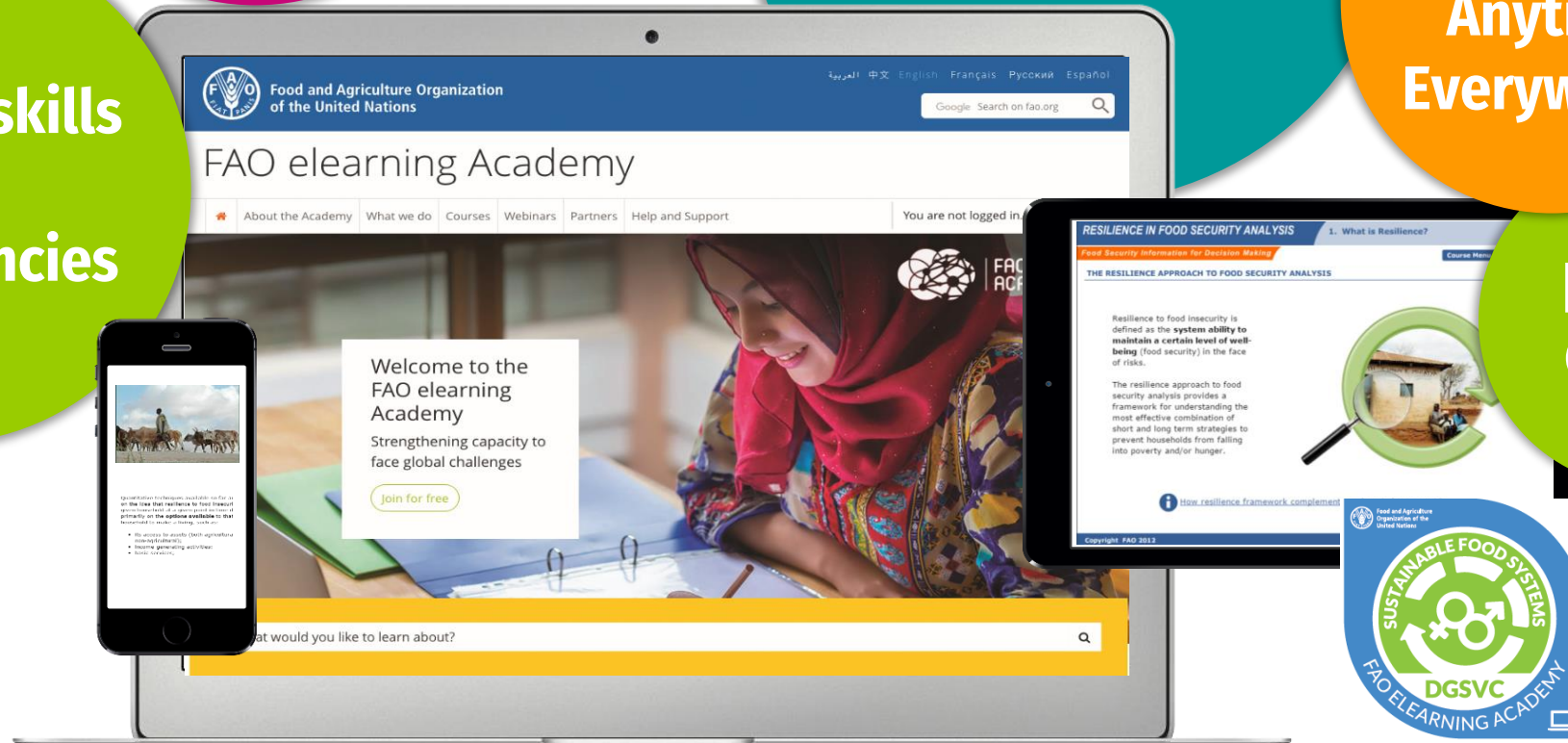
**± 2 million**  
learners  
throughout the  
world

Everyone  
Anytime  
Everywhere

Transfer skills  
and  
competencies

**SDGs**

Free of  
charge



# Democratizing education through inclusion and equal rights



## Universal education

Free of charge, always accessible, offered as a global public good

## Digital & Social inclusion

Promoting gender & social equality

## Climate and environment-friendly

Reduced carbon footprint

# Bridging the gap between formal and informal education

**Inter-Multi-Trans disciplinary  
competencies**

**Sustainability**

**Transformation**

**In a knowledge economy, education is the new  
currency, the asset through which nations  
maintain economic competitiveness,  
autonomy and prosperity**



# Uptake, impact and scaling up capacity development for sustainability

## UN and Development Agencies

AFAAS • UNICEF • UNITAR • UNHCR • WFP •  
EU COMESA • CILSS • BMZ • IICA • IICA • UNU  
• ITC-ILO  
UN-OCHA • IAEA • UNDP • NEPAD  
ECOWAS • PRIMA • CIHEAM • IFRC

Supporting staff development

## Universities & Academic Institutions

ICBA • UNIMED • CRUI • LUISS University  
IGNOU • La Sapienza • AVU • COL •  
RUFORUM • Open University of Catalonia •  
UDUAL • University of Pretoria • Anhalt  
University

Enhancing University Curricula

## Private Sector

RaboBank • Coldiretti • Telefonica • Orange •  
Coca Cola • Danone • Unilever • IKEA • Eataly  
• Google • Rockefeller • ENI • Mars  
Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation •

Compliance

FAO  
elearning  
courses

## NGOs and CSOs

Future Food Institute  
• GRET • APC • Action Aid • World Vision Int.  
Welthungerhilfe • INIT

Enriching capacity development activities

The **FAO elearning Academy** offers a wide variety of free, multilingual and certified courses organized into **25 thematic areas**.



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 <p><b>Agricultural risk management and resilience</b></p>	 <p><b>Carbon footprint and greenhouse gas emissions</b></p>	 <p><b>Child labour and youth employment</b></p>	 <p><b>Climate change and environment</b></p>	 <p><b>Communication and capacity development</b></p>	 <p><b>Decent rural employment</b></p>	
 <p><b>Farmer field schools</b></p>	 <p><b>Fisheries and aquaculture</b></p>	 <p><b>Food security, nutrition and health</b></p>	 <p><b>Food losses and waste</b></p>	 <p><b>Food safety</b></p>	 <p><b>Forests and landscape restoration</b></p>	
 <p><b>Gender and social protection</b></p>	 <p><b>Livestock, animal health and production</b></p>	 <p><b>Mechanization</b></p>	 <p><b>Migration</b></p>	 <p><b>Plant health and protection</b></p>	 <p><b>Plant production, pre-breeding and crop improvement</b></p>	
 <p><b>Responsible governance of tenure</b></p>	 <p><b>Responsible investments in agriculture</b></p>	 <p><b>Rural poverty reduction</b></p>	 <p><b>Soils and water management</b></p>	 <p><b>Sustainable Development Goal indicators</b></p>	 <p><b>Sustainable food systems</b></p>	 <p><b>Trade and markets</b></p>

# Diversified Delivery Methods and Pedagogical Models



Certified  
Online  
Tutored  
Courses



Online Technical  
Webinars



Mobile  
Learning



University  
Learning  
Programmes



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Certified Blended  
Learning  
Programmes



Face  
to Face



Self-paced  
Courses



MOOCs



**International  
Technical webinars  
FAO elearning  
Academy**

# Series of international technical webinars

Open, free and accessible by everyone, anytime, everywhere...

- provide a comprehensive view of **current trends in thematic areas related to global challenges**, by combining development, research and innovation perspectives.
- give practitioners the **opportunity to interact with international experts**, United Nations officers, University professors, researchers and fellow participants, throughout the world.

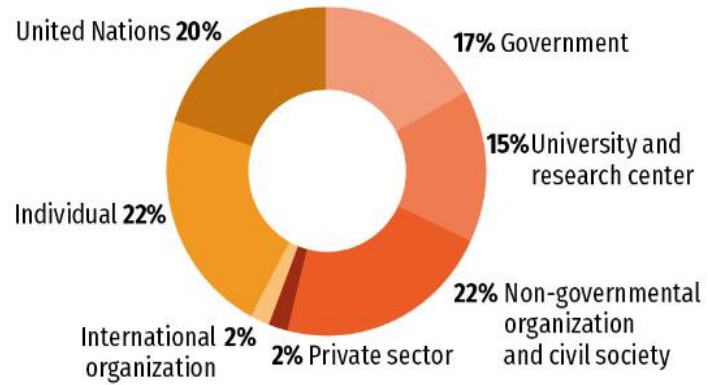
**+ 50,000 participants from 2020 to 2026**

**+ 50 partners institutions contributing: expertise & support to the promotion**

**[https://newsletters.fao.org/k/Fao/fao\\_elearning\\_academy\\_newsletter](https://newsletters.fao.org/k/Fao/fao_elearning_academy_newsletter)**

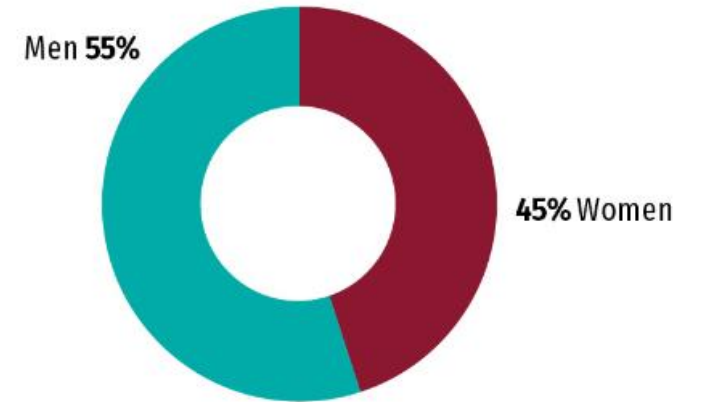


### TYPE OF ORGANIZATION

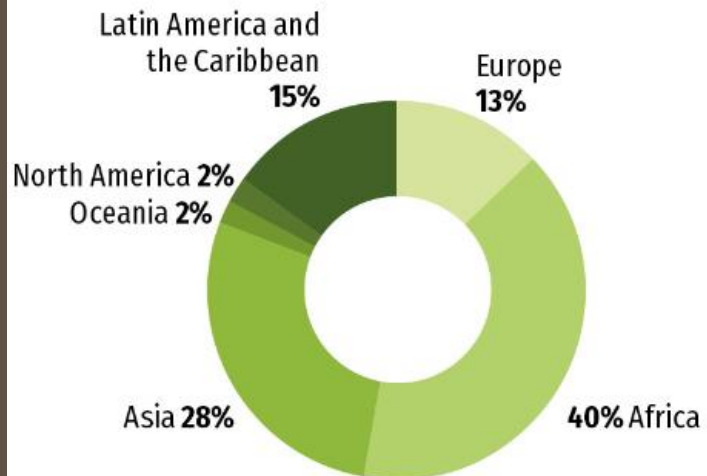


### WEBINAR RECORDING

### GENDER DISTRIBUTION



### GEOGRAPHIC DISTRIBUTION



### Resources

- PowerPoint Presentation - Patrizia Fracassi - Webinar 28.04.2020.pdf
- PowerPoint Presentation - Sylvie Avallone - Webinar 28.04.2020.pdf
- QA - Webinar 28.04.2020.pdf
- Webinar Announcement - 28.04.2020.pdf



# Why are digital badges important?

- Drivers of educational reform
- Equitable, inclusive and transparent access to education
- Motivating life-long learning
- Greater employment opportunities
- Progress talent within organizations



# What are digital badges?

## Visible and transparent

- Allow an alternative way to get visible validation for skills acquisition and achievements
- Showcase a personalised life-long learning journey

## Stackable micro-credentials

- Granular collection of acquired skills, competencies and knowledge
- Both formal and informal learning activities

## What are digital badges

## Shareable / portable

- Badges can be collected from multiple sources, on and off-line, into a badge wallet
- Display skills and achievements on social networking profiles, job sites, e-portfolio, websites, etc

## Verifiable and transparent

- Verifiable against inherent metadata links back to the issuer, criteria and verifying evidence
- Can be verified for both authenticity and for the learning activity that they represent

## WHAT IS THE VALUE OF A DIGITAL BADGE?



It shows the world the knowledge and skills you demonstrated to achieve your certificate from a respected, credible source.



It helps you publicize your accomplishments on social media, on your website and in your email signature.



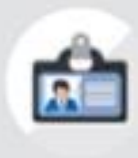
It demonstrates that your knowledge is up to date.



## WHO WILL NOTICE?



Clients



Employers



Prospective clients



Colleagues

## WHERE CAN I USE A DIGITAL BADGE?



Twitter



Facebook



LinkedIn



Website

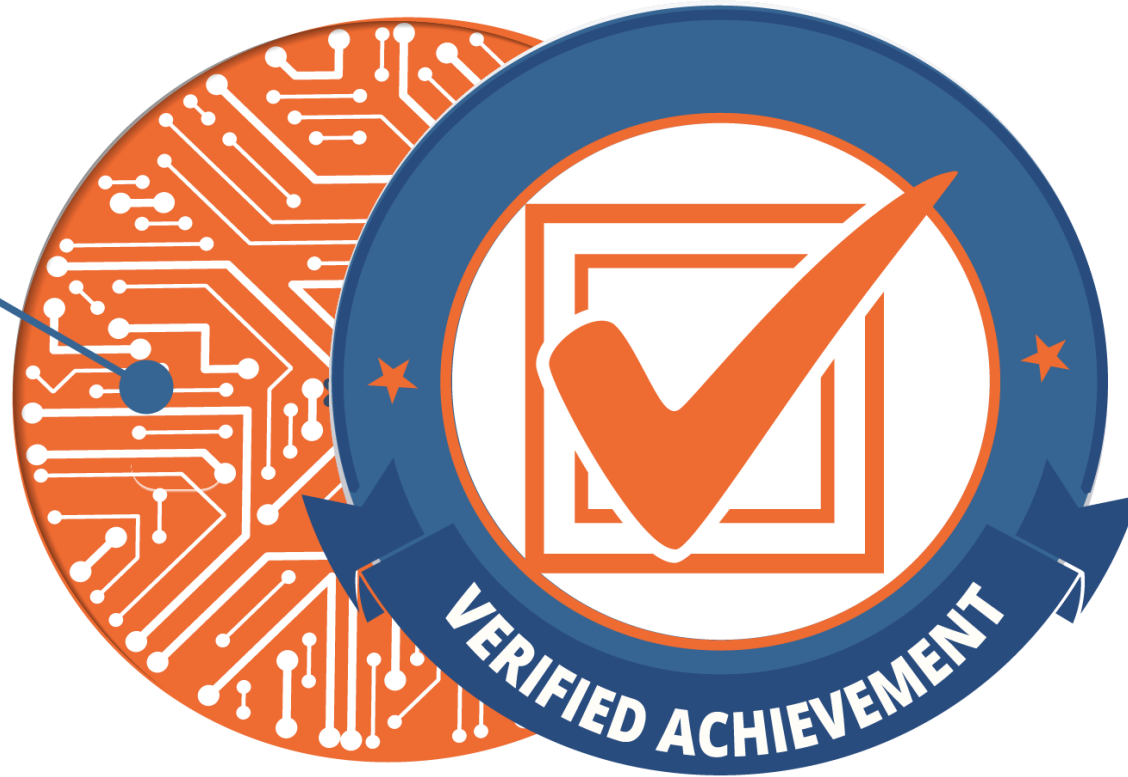


Email Signature

## OPEN BADGES

### Data & Information **Inside**

Alignment	Expiration Date
Badge Criteria	Issued Date
Badge Description	Issuer
Badge Name	JSON-LD
Digital Signature	Recipient
Evidence	Verification



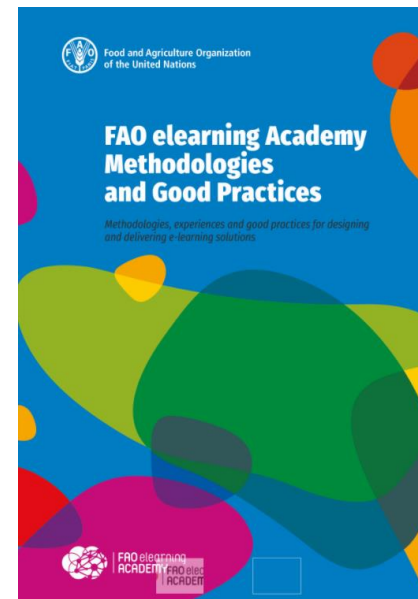
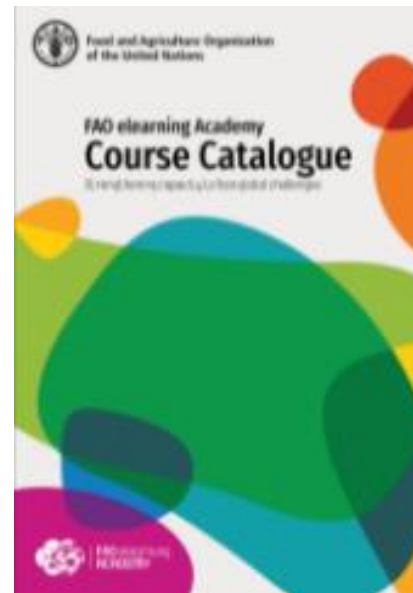
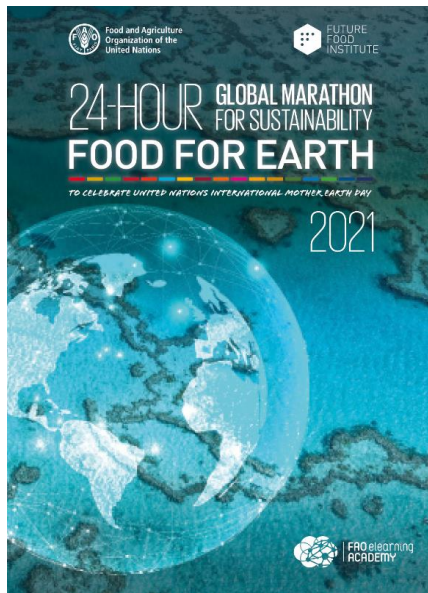
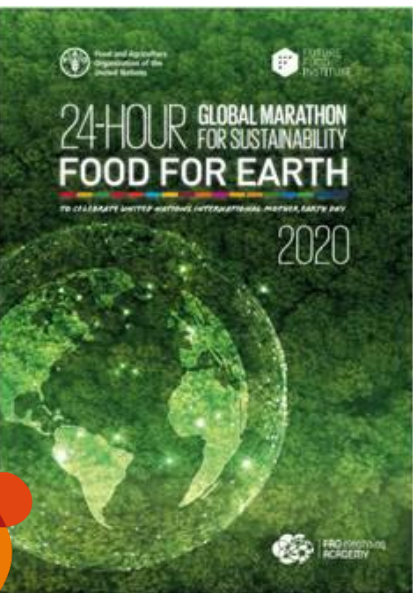
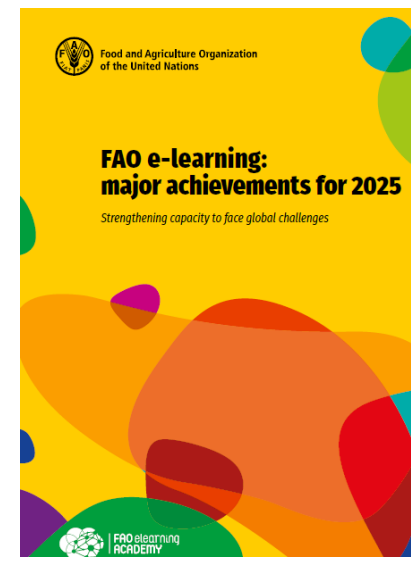
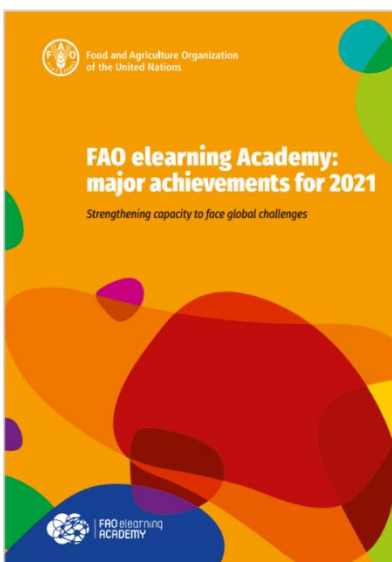
FAO digital badges are issued on passing (75%) a final scenario or competency-based test

# FAO elearning Academy Digital Badges



# Badges SDG Indicators





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Word cloud containing various expressions of gratitude in multiple languages, including: **thank you**, **gracias**, **merci**, **danke**, **謝謝**, **شكراً**, **terima kasih**, **agat**, **obrigado**, **dziękuję**, **спасибо**, **bedankt**, **teşekkür ederim**, **ngiyabonga**, **moachakkeram**, **raibh maith agat**, **sukriya**, **kop khun krap**, **arigato**, **dakujem**, **merci**, **고맙습니다**, **ευχαριστώ**, **terima kasih**, **agat**, **obrigado**, **dziękuję**, **спасибо**, **bedankt**, **teşekkür ederim**, **ngiyabonga**, **moachakkeram**, **raibh maith agat**, **sukriya**, **kop khun krap**, **arigato**, **dakujem**, **merci**, **고맙습니다**, **ευχαριστώ**.



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