

Maryam Rahmanian

Short Biography

Maryam Rahmanian is an independent international expert on issues related to innovation, biodiversity and agroecology in food systems. She is currently co-Chair of the International Panel of Experts on Sustainable Food Systems. She was a Research Associate at the Centre for Sustainable Development and Environment (CENESTA), an Iranian NGO from 2001 to 2014, where she initiated the programme on Participatory Plant Breeding, working with farmers and breeders to develop varieties adapted to climate change. Maryam Rahmanian was Vice Chair of the High Level Panel of Experts of the Committee on World Food Security for two terms (2010 to 2015) and a member of the Steering Committee of the Economics of Ecosystems and Biodiversity for Agriculture and Food study (TEEBAgriFood). She has also been a Research Fellow at the Institute for Advanced Sustainability Studies in Potsdam, Germany. She consults for a number of food and agriculture related organizations.

