

Good Questions

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As the Curator of Questions for World Nutrition, I will collect brief and sharply pointed questions relating to WN's mission. The idea is to stimulate discussion, and maybe serious research, about the issues raised.

Here are examples of the sort of questions that ought to be raised.

- (1) Why does the United Nations Committee on World Food Security give so little attention to infant and young child feeding (IYCF), especially when the globalization of the baby food industry keeps raising new challenges relating to children's food security, and their health and survival?
- (2) Why does critical attention to food systems focus so much on farming and fishing when most of the money spent on food goes to food processors, not farmers and fishers?
- (3) Why does the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO) give so little attention to the food processing industry?
- (4) Why is there no requirement that studies relating to health claims for specific foods must be made available at no cost through the Internet?

Readers are invited to send their responses and their new questions to me, George Kent, at kent@hawaii.edu

A selection of them will be published in the next issue of WN