

LONG VERSION

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Before joining FAO, Nuno worked in investment banking, at the OECD Development Centre and at the Colombian think tank Fedesarrollo. Throughout his career, he has worked at the intersection of finance, public policy and agricultural development, contributing to analytical work and policy dialogue across a range of agrifood and development issues.

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