CFS Role on Nutrition:

1. It does not seem to be possible to take a final decision on the schedule of the nutrition workstream this week. It is rather preferable to do it in early February after the discussion of the first OEWG Session on January 14. Two main interconnected reasons:
   
   a. During the joint session of the Bureau, AG and HLPE Steering Committee, many suggested that the first HLPE report on nutrition should be a foundational report – one that declines the understanding of nutrition in the terms of the CFS. As the HLPE mandate will be finalized in January by the OEWG, it seems premature to take a decision on the schedule of the workstream before the OEWG decision is finalized;
   
   b. The nutrition workstream will also confront the challenge of the parallel, rather than sequential, schedules of the OEWG and HLPE. There is a risk of a disconnect between the HLPE and the OEWG processes, we should aim to avoid. It is therefore necessary for the OEWG to discuss these issues in January and offer clear proposals to the Bureau and AG in this respect. These proposals might suggest an alternative schedule for the OEWG.

2. The Joint meeting of the Bureau & AG in February should discuss the proposals coming from the OEWG rather than those of the TTT (as written in the schedule). The right process would be: the TTT prepares the background for the OEWG discussions mid-January. And the outcome of the OEWG discussion is brought to the attention of the Bureau and Advisory Group meeting beginning of February.