

**Agenda Item 1 - CFS 45 - Critical and Emerging Issues – Proposal concerning HLPE activities in 2020**

- We appreciate the changes made to the concept towards an HLPE note to provide a stocktaking analysis of HLPE and CFS contributions to achieving the SDGs, particularly SDG 2.
- The objective of this note should clearly spell out that the analysis will not only examine the HLPE reports, but also the CFS policy products. In addition, it should not unrealistically aim at elaborating a global narrative on food security and nutrition in a 20-pages document. It should rather aim at identifying the opportunities and challenges in building such a global narrative on FSN.
- Originally, we supported the idea to have a full HLPE report on a topic proposed by the HLPE note on critical and emerging issues that has not been addressed yet. But we acknowledge that the discussions in last July led to the current proposal, and we hope that others can also join this direction.
- The topics proposed by the US seem to narrow to us regarding their proposed scope. There might be, however, the possibility to include the second proposed topic on data collection and analysis tools as one aspect into the scope of the proposed Stocktaking analysis on FSN.
- In any case, it is important to us that an HLPE report is followed by a meaningful policy convergence process in the CFS. What is the point in having an HLPE report without using it to inform a CFS policy convergence process? The response to the Evaluation just agreed that CFS will make the best use of HLPE reports.