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Registration is Open!
CSM Forum
7-8 October
CFS Plenary 44
9-13 October



1. UPDATES ON CFS PROCESSES



HLPE Report on Forestry and updates on the CFS policy convergence process

The 27 of June the HLPE launched its Report on [“Sustainable Forestry for Food Security and Nutrition”](#). The CSM Working Group on Forestry’s co-facilitator attended the event and [made some preliminary remarks on the Report](#). The CFS will now begin a policy convergence process towards the adoption of Policy Recommendations on this topic in October 2017 at CFS 44. The appointed CFS Rapporteur for the process is the Swiss Ambassador François Pythoud. On 12 July the Rapporteur called for a first informal meeting to discuss the expected outcomes and the process of the negotiation. The discussion was based on a background document that you can find [here](#). Unfortunately no clear outcomes were achieved in this meeting in terms of process and methodology. The next consultation meeting will take place on 19 September. Negotiations will be conducted on 5-6 October, and during the CFS Plenary. Find here the entire [timeline](#) of the process and the draft [concept note](#) of the CSM Working Group. Also Please visit the [CSM webpage](#) to stay tune on any news related to this process!

Updates on CFS Evaluation

Following-up the first round of meetings on the [CFS Evaluation](#) of June and the [Bureau Retreat](#) on June 8 on this topic, a second round of discussions took place on [July 11 and 14](#). The two full-day meetings specifically addressed the [draft Consultation report](#) that presents the results of the consultation process conducted in the CFS so far, with draft responses to some of the evaluation recommendations, for submission to CFS 44 Specifically, these responses refer to topics like the strategic planning process within the CFS, the Budget, the role of the Plenary and the role of Open-Ended Working Groups. (Recommendations 1,2,3,5, and 6 of CFS Evaluation). The meetings also discussed the [Roadmap](#) of the Plan of Action that presents the strategy to prepare the responses to the evaluation recommendations that are not yet finalized at CFS 44. Finally, the meetings also addressed the [categorization of the recommendations](#), according to whether they are adopted at CFS 44, CFS 45 or dealt with during the inter-sessional period in 2018. The CSM prepared [its responses and proposals](#) to the draft consultation report and to the [categorization of the recommendations](#). At this [link](#) you can also find CSM key points for the meeting of 14 July. During the CFS Advisory Group (AG) and Bureau meeting of 20 July a [revised version of the draft consultation report](#) was submitted for discussion. At this [link](#) you can find CSM contributions on this revised version, delivered during the AG meeting.



Updates on Urbanisation and Rural Transformation

On June 23, the [OEWG on Urbanisation and Rural transformation](#) met, focusing on: a) Presentation by the Technical Task Team members of the [Background document](#); b) Discussion and agreement on the [MYPoW proposal](#) for this workstream; c) Discussion and agreement on the [draft decision box](#) for the Plenary session of CFS 44. The CSM Working Group shared and presented [its proposals](#) on the MYPoW. Due to divergent views among some CFS members on the future and expected outcomes of this process, it was not possible to reach any agreement on the proposal and the decision box. The Chair called for an extraordinary session on July 11, and submitted a [revised MYPoW proposal](#). At this [link](#) you can find CSM comments presented during the meeting. After an intense debate consensus was reached, and both documents adopted. Please find here the final text approved [for MYPoW](#) and related [decision box](#), and here [CSM remarks](#) during the CFS Advisory Group and Bureau Meeting.



Updates on the Women's Empowerment Forum

The [CFS Forum on Women's Empowerment](#) will take place on 25 September 2017. The Technical Task Team has finalized and submitted the first draft of the [Background document](#) that will inform the Forum's debate and the [draft agenda and format](#). The Advisory Group and Bureau meeting will exchange views on both documents on 20 July. Please find [here](#) CSM Contributions on this topic. We are happy that Miriam Nobre from the World March of Women and co-facilitator of the CSM Working Group will be the Keynote speaker to open the Forum. On the [CSM webpage](#) you will also find a calendar of the process until October 2017.



Updates on the Advisory Group and Bureau Meeting of 20 July

The CFS Advisory Group and Bureau meeting took place on 20 July to discuss and agree on the different decision boxes that will be submitted to the Plenary Session of CFS 44. Please find [here](#) CSM contributions to the meeting.

Updates on SDG

The last meeting of the OEWG on SDGs before the summer break took place on 24 July in order to finalize the [draft CFS submission to the HLPF for 2018](#) and the draft decision box. Meanwhile on July 20 the CFS Advisory Group and Bureau meeting will discuss the [draft decision box](#) for adoption at CFS 44 Plenary Session. Please find [here](#) CSM comments delivered by the Working Group on July 24.

Updates on CFS 44 Registration procedure

Registrations to the CFS 44 are now open!!! Visit this [link](#) and follow all steps to register!



Updates on Nutrition

The [draft decision box on nutrition](#) was discussed by the CFS Advisory Group and Bureau meeting of 20 July. Meanwhile the Chair confirmed a third inter-sessional event on Nutrition for this year on the 22nd of September focusing on Stunting.

Updates on Monitoring

On June 26, the OEWG on [Monitoring](#) held its last extraordinary meeting to conclude the discussions of the previous meetings and agree on the following: a) [Draft decisions for Plenary](#); b) [Proposal for monitoring the implementation of CFS main policy products and other CFS policy recommendations](#); c) [Proposal for the preparation of the Global Thematic Events](#). At this [link](#) you can find the outcomes of the meeting and the [decision box](#) that was discussed by the Advisory Group and Bureau meeting of 20 July. Please find [here](#) CSM remarks during the Advisory Group and Bureau meeting.

Updates on MYPoW

The last meeting of the OEWG on [MYPoW](#) on July 19 aimed at finalizing the [MYPoW Chair's Proposal](#) for the next biennium 2018-2019 and the [related decision box](#). Please find [here](#) CSM remarks on the background documents.



2. OTHER CSM ACTIVITIES



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Registrations to the CSM Forum on 7 and 8 of October 2017 are now open!!! Visit this [link](#) and follow all steps to register!

Call for Communication officers and experts from CSM Participating organisations to support the communication work during the CSM Forum and CFS 44!

In order to strengthen the communication and media work during the period of the CSM Forum and CFS 44 Plenary session, we are launching a call to all CSM participating organisations to engage their communication officers, staff and experts and encourage them to join a CSM Media and Communication Group in October to better support CSM Working Groups and Coordination Committee work, their key messages to the Plenary session and their demands. To join the media and communication group of the CSM please write to the Teresa Maisano from the CSM Secretariat – cso4cfs@gmail.com