



CSM Update December 2017

Goodbye Kuria



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1. UPDATES ON CFS PROCESSES

CSM Contributions and Outcomes of the CFS Advisory Group and Bureau meeting of 21 November

The newly elected CFS Bureau met for the first time with the Advisory Group on 21st of November. The meeting's agenda items included an assessment of CFS 44 Plenary Session, a debate on the draft work plans of the different CFS workstreams and an update on the status of the CFS budget. The World Health Organization was also welcomed as a new member of the Advisory Group, replacing the High-Level Task Force on Global Food and Nutrition Security (HLTF). Please find at this [link](#) the CSM Contributions delivered during the meeting and at this [link](#) the subsequent CFS Bureau Outcomes.



CSM Contributions during the joint meeting of the new HLPE Steering Committee and the CFS Bureau and Advisory Group

On 22nd of November the CFS Advisory Group and Bureau met with the newly elected [Steering Committee of the HLPE](#). Please find at this [link](#) the CSM Contributions to the meeting.

CSM Contributions to the Meeting on CFS Evaluation of 23 November and 27 November

During the [CFS Bureau meeting](#) of 30 October, the Bureau appointed Oliver Mellenthin (Germany) and Jiany Tian (China) as facilitators of the CFS Evaluation process for the inter-sessional period towards CFS 45.

On 23rd and 27th of November, two meetings on CFS Evaluation took place and discussed the recommendations from the Evaluation Report that were not addressed and debated before CFS 44. Please find: a) [Agenda](#); b) [CFS Background Document](#); c) [CSM Contributions](#) to the meeting of 23rd November. Also find: a) [Agenda](#); b) [CFS Background Document](#); c) [CSM Contributions](#) to the meeting of 27th of November. To keep yourself updated please visit the dedicated [CSM Webpage](#)!



New CFS meeting calendar for 2018

Please find at this link the latest version of the [CFS Calendar](#) of meetings for the inter-sessional period of 2018.

News on the translation of the HLPE Report on Nutrition and Food Systems

The full [HLPE Report on Nutrition and Food Systems](#) is still only available in English. Only the Executive Summary and Conclusions were translated before CFS 44 due to the financial constraints of the HLPE Budget. According to the CFS Bureau Outcomes of 21st of November the funding gap is closing with additional contributions of FAO, WHO and Monaco. The first OEWG meeting on nutrition is scheduled for 5 February 2018.

CSM Submission to the HLPE online consultation for the scope of the report on “Agroecological approaches and other innovations for sustainable agriculture and food systems that enhance food security and nutrition”

The [CSM Working Group on Agroecology](#) collectively [submitted its contribution](#) to the [HLPE online consultation](#) on the scope of the report.

CSM Call for the independent CSO Report on the Monitoring of the Right to Food Guidelines

The CSM Working Group on Monitoring is already active and engaged in the drafting of the CSO Independent Report on the Monitoring of the Right to Food Guidelines that will be presented at the CFS45 Global Thematic Event in October 2018. [Please read carefully, engage and help disseminating the CSM call!](#)

2. UPDATES ON CSM INTERNAL ISSUES



Goodbye to our dear friend Kuria Gathuru

It is with great sadness that we announce the loss of our dear Kuria Gathuru on 15 November 2017. Please find [here](#) the condolence letter sent to his family on behalf of the CSM.

The CSM Youth Constituency has appointed its new Coordination Committee Members

The meeting of the CSM Youth Constituency took place on 7 and 8 of December in Rome. The meeting aimed at reflecting on the history, mandate, structure and functioning of the CFS and CSM; drafting and elaborating a vision, workplan and agenda of the CSM Youth Constituency; assessing how such a global governance space can also strengthen local/national/regional and other global dimensions of the struggles; and aimed at conducting the Coordination Committee members renewal process. The meeting selected by consensus the two new members of the CC for the Youth Constituency: Nasmin Choudhury, from WFF, India and Margarita Gomez, from CLOC/LVC, Argentina.



CSM Evaluation January – April 2018

The evaluation is carried out with the aim of assessing how the CSM is functioning in line with its founding document, guiding principles and mandate and functions. The Evaluation will assess CSM's strengths and weaknesses, challenges and potentials with regard to three areas: the internal dimension, the external dimension, and "visionary" dimension, as outlined in detail in the section on the scope. The evaluation will particularly look at the last three years, since the first Evaluation of the CSM carried out in 2014. The outcomes of this independent evaluation will provide the CSM with significant insights to self-reflect on the space and move forward to become as effective as possible in its future work in relation with the UN Committee on World Food Security.

The CSM Secretariat will be closed from
25 December 2017 to 6 January 2018