

Proposal for a CFS Policy Convergence Process (for discussion)

The HLPE Report “*Agroecological approaches and other innovations for sustainable agriculture and food systems that enhance food security and nutrition*” will be publicly launched on 3 July 2019. At its meeting on 31 January 2019 the Bureau decided to postpone a policy convergence process until after CFS 46 in order to have sufficient time to fully discuss the conclusions and recommendations of the forthcoming HLPE Report. A placeholder for a policy convergence process has been included in the draft 2020-2023 MYPoW.

This document provides an overview of the main activities proposed for a policy convergence process and a notional schedule for the 2019-20 intersessional period.

Activity	Timeframe	Comments
RBA technical focal points are identified	15 April 2019	Nominations received from FAO, IFAD and WFP
Proposal for a CFS policy convergence process is discussed by the Bureau and Advisory Group	14-17 May 2019 Bur/AG meetings	
The Facilitator is nominated by the Bureau	17 May 2019	No nomination received so far
Plenary session outline is discussed by the Bureau, after consultation with the Advisory Group	3-7 June 2019 Bur/AG meetings	
HLPE report on agro-ecological approaches and other innovations is launched	3 July 2019	Green Room, FAO, 14.00 – 17.00
CFS 46 Plenary session is held	16 October 2019	A summary of the discussion will be forwarded to the Drafting Committee for inclusion in the Final Report
Notional Path Forward		
Stakeholders are invited to provide structured inputs for the CFS policy convergence process, taking into account the plenary discussion	29 November 2019	- All inputs are posted online - Inputs are consolidated by issues and shared in advance of an open meeting
Open meeting to discuss consolidated inputs and the preparation of a draft proposal for a policy convergence process	15 January 2020	Chaired by Facilitator
A zero draft of the proposal for a policy convergence process is circulated and stakeholders are invited to provide comments	28 February 2020	All comments are posted online

The zero draft is revised, with comments received, and circulated in all languages	23 April 2020	Version one of the proposal is circulated at least 1 month in advance of negotiations
Negotiation session	end of May 2020	Dates to be confirmed as soon as possible
CFS 47 Plenary endorses agreed results	October 2020	