



## CFS Business Continuity

For information and discussion

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In light of the COVID-19 pandemic, and in compliance with the decrees issued by the Government of Italy, guidance from the United Nations Food and Agriculture Organisation, and guidelines of the World Health Organization, please be advised that the CFS Secretariat is in the process of considering business continuity plans for the weeks and months ahead.

Building on the experience of, and support from, the Rome-based agencies (FAO, IFAD, and WFP), the planned CFS meetings for April will take place virtually using Zoom (a web-based videoconferencing tool) as per the below matrix.

Options for May onwards are under consideration given the uncertainty of planning for face-to-face negotiations for Agroecological and other innovative approaches Policy Recommendations, and for the Voluntary Guidelines on Food Systems for Nutrition. In the matrix below, we take this opportunity to remind you of key dates for April.

We welcome reactions and comments from Bureau and Advisory Group members.

DATE	TYPE OF MEETING/DEADLINE	SUBJECT	ITEM TYPE	MODALITY
31 March	Extraordinary CFS Bureau and Advisory Group Meeting	Discussion with the Special Envoy for the 2021 Food Systems Summit	Discussion	Virtual, through Zoom
14 April	OEWG Food Systems and Nutrition	Voluntary Guidelines on Food Systems for Nutrition	Discussion	Virtual, through Zoom
17 April	Bureau/Advisory Group meeting	Agenda to be shared	Information, Discussion and Decision	Virtual, through Zoom
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