

**CFS Bureau and Advisory Group meeting****Date:** 20 July 2017**Mexico Room, FAO, 09.30-12.30 and 14.00-17.00****FORUM ON WOMEN'S EMPOWERMENT IN THE CONTEXT OF FOOD SECURITY AND NUTRITION****Monday, 25 September 2017 – Rome, FAO, Red Room**

9.30 – 9.50	Opening	Amira Gornass, CFS Chair Femi Oke, Moderator
9.50 – 10.30	<u>Taking stock</u> : Emerging challenges and persisting barriers to women's empowerment in the agriculture and agri-food sector	Keynote: Miriam Nobre – World March of Women, Coordinator  Discussant: Bianca Pomeranzi – CEDAW expert
10.30– 12.30	<u>Addressing gender gaps</u> : Sharing lessons from concrete examples  Followed by Q&A session	Panel discussion building on the background document* Four thematic areas: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Women's participation in decision-making, public policies, partnerships, leadership roles</li> <li>- Women's access to and control over land, natural resources, inputs, productive tools</li> <li>- Women's access to decent working conditions and adequate wages</li> <li>- Access and role of women with regards to markets, extension, advisory, financial services, social protection, education, training and other learning opportunities</li> </ul>
12.30 – 14.00	<i>Lunch break</i>	
14.00 – 15.30	<u>Break-out group discussions</u> : CFS role in advancing women's empowerment, women's rights and gender equality	3 Groups with 1 Facilitator and 1 Rapporteur for each group Key topics for discussion: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Are CFS policy outcomes adequately promoting women's empowerment, women's rights and gender quality as a pre-requisite for food security and nutrition?</li> <li>- Taking into account its mandate, what concrete steps can CFS take to further advance women's empowerment, women's rights and gender equality?</li> </ul>
15.30 – 16.30	Presentation by break-out groups' Rapporteurs	
16.30 – 17.00	Closure	CFS Chair's summary (for endorsement at CFS 44)