

## Contributions to CFS Strategic Objectives Discussion - 5 February 2018

### ***Preliminary CSM considerations and suggestions:***

- **Strategic Objectives should be based on the CFS Vision and the six roles of the CFS.**  
CFS Vision: As per the Reform Document endorsed in 2009, the Committee on World Food Security “constitutes the foremost inclusive international and intergovernmental platform for a broad range of committed stakeholders to work together in a coordinated manner and in support of country-led processes towards the elimination of hunger and ensuring food security and nutrition for all human beings. CFS strives for a world free from hunger where countries implement the voluntary guidelines for the progressive realization of the right to adequate food in the context of national food security”.
- While the CFS Vision and the roles are valid for the CFS as a whole, **the strategic objectives and expected outcomes should be time-bound** and guide the period of the **next four-year MYPOW 2020-2023**. The strategic objectives would be accompanied by related expected outcomes for that period which can be assessed and adjusted after two years, and which would help evaluate the achievements at the end of the four-year period.
- We had proposed to either formulate strategic objectives for each of the six roles or to formulate less strategic objectives but to integrate the contributions of the roles to the formulation of them. We now suggest choosing this latter option and defining the strategic objectives and related expected outcomes by integrating the contributions of the six roles into 3 strategic objectives, building on what the co-facilitators had suggested.
- We suggest including **a cross-cutting objective and expected outcomes** on gender equality, women’s rights and women’s empowerment in the context of food security and nutrition, in response to the respective decision taken by CFS 44 (CFS 44 final report, paragraph 27e).
- This part on strategic objectives and expected outcomes would be located at the beginning of the MYPOW and would contribute to guide the selection of topics and strategic orientation of the CFS workstreams in the period 2020-2023.
- In summary: **the strategic objectives and related expected outcomes should incorporate the vision and the six roles of the CFS in a way that gives a strategic direction to the CFS MYPOW for the next period of 4 years.**

Based on these considerations, the following **possible Strategic Objectives for 2020-2013** could be suggested:

1. Promote policy coordination at the global level by providing the leading and foremost inclusive platform for discussion and collaborative action on food security and nutrition
2. Promote policy convergence and coherence towards achieving the CFS vision for the elimination of hunger and malnutrition, food security and nutrition for all and the progressive realization of the right to adequate food
3. Promote the dissemination, use, application and monitoring of CFS policy outcomes through enhanced collaboration of members and participants on the country and regional level

The **related Expected Outcomes** (by October 2023) could be formulated as follows:

Expected Outcomes to Objective 1:

1a: The CFS is recognized as the leading and most inclusive policy coordination platform on food security and nutrition on the global level

1b: The CFS has effectively used its policy coordination function to foster collaboration among committed members and participants on the global, regional and national levels in preventing and overcoming hunger and food crises and guiding policies towards food security and nutrition

Expected Outcomes to Objective 2:

2a: The CFS has effectively conducted and completed a comprehensive policy negotiation process to address one of the most critical challenges for achieving food security and nutrition and the progressive realization of the right to adequate food for all

2b: The CFS has effectively prioritized and addressed a series of critical, emerging and urgent FSN issues for policy work, considering the needs and potential impact on people most affected by food insecurity and malnutrition

Expected Outcomes to Objective 3:

3a: The members and participants of the CFS have enhanced their efforts to disseminate, use and apply CFS policy outcomes at the national and regional levels

3b: The CFS has monitored the use and application of several of its policy outcomes and assessed their contributions to foster food security and nutrition and the progressive realization of the right to adequate food on the national, regional and global level

**Cross-cutting objective and expected outcome:**

4: The CFS has effectively mainstreamed gender equality, women's and girls' rights and women's empowerment in the context of food security and nutrition in all workstreams, products and documents