



CSM Update

January and February 2020

CSM Update

January and February 2020

Updates on CFS processes

- Updates on the first CFS open meeting on Agroecology and other innovations of 27 January 2020
- Updates on the CFS Advisory Group and Bureau meeting of 28 January 2020
- Updates on the UN Food Systems Summit from the CSM Global Food Governance Working Group
- Updates on the CFS OEWG on Food Systems and Nutrition of 29 January 2020
- CSM Contribution to the HLPE e-consultation on the scope of the Youth Report 26 January 2020
- Updates on the monitoring process of the Framework for Action (FFA)
- The HLPE e-consultation on the first draft of the Global Narrative Report is open!

Updates on CSM internal issues

Engage in CFS policy processes! Join the CSM Working Groups by writing to the CSM Secretariat!

- Youth
- Food Systems and Nutrition
- Global Food Governance
- Women
- Monitoring
- Protracted Crisis
- Agroecology

CSM Updates

Updates on CFS processes

Updates on the first CFS open meeting on Agroecology and other innovations of 27 January 2020

On 27th January the first CFS open meeting on Agroecology and other innovations took place at FAO HQs. The meeting, chaired by the Rapporteur Ambassador Emadi, intended to gather comments and feedbacks on the Rapporteurs' note shared as a background document for the meeting. The Rapporteur Note was structured as an elements paper following the structure of the HLPE Recommendations and gathered different comments and suggestions received through the written input consultation that took place



in November and December 2019. CSM participants expressed their expectations and vision towards this process in the opening statement and contributed throughout the meeting by sharing their more specific analysis and inputs regarding the document*. Please find here the CSM written contributions to the meeting! Next step, according to the timeline presented by the Rapporteur, is the release of the English zero draft of the policy recommendations on 18 February, while the other languages will be available only after 28 February. Stay tuned here!

* Look the videos of CSM statements and contributions: a) Recommendation 1; b) Recommendation 2; c) Recommendation 3; d) Recommendation 4; e) Recommendation 5 (First Part); f) Recommendation 5 (Second part)

Updates on the CFS Advisory Group and Bureau meeting of 28 January 2020



On 28th of January the CFS Advisory Group and Bureau meeting took place. The agenda of the meeting foresaw discussions on CFS 47th Plenary session agenda and timetable, as well as side events criteria and proposals for the drafting of the CFS 47th Final Report, the CFS resource mobilization strategy, the monitoring exercise of the Framework for Action (FFA) towards the Global Thematic Event of October and a workstreams update. CSM Advisory Group members also

CSM Updates

asked to add to the agenda an update on the UN Food Systems Summit and an update on the CFS Bureau discussions related to the Advisory Group Composition. Regarding the CFS 47th Plenary Session timetable, CSM made clear that the commemoration of the International Day of Rural Women of 15th October needs to be an integral part of the plenary session agenda and cannot be sidelined to a Special event during lunch time. CSM also reminded Bureau members that after October 2020 the policy process towards Voluntary Guidelines on Gender equality and women's empowerment is starting and therefore the 47 Plenary needs to discuss and decide on a timeline, process and identification of a Chair of the OEWG. More details on the CSM contributions under these agenda items are [available here](#). On the resource mobilization strategy CSM Advisory Group members called again for the importance of establishing robust safeguards on Conflict of Interest and ensuring transparency as key principles of a resource mobilization strategy for CFS. Please find all CSM Contributions [here](#)! The Bureau meeting took place on January 31st and we are expecting outcomes to be circulated soon.

Updates on the UN Food Systems Summit from the CSM Global Governance Group



The CSM Working group on Global Food Governance was trying to gather information about the upcoming UN Food Systems Summit upon which there is a lot of unclarity at the moment: Unclarity about its scope, process, objectives, venue and timeline. Since last October, CSM has advocated for a central and active role of the CFS in the preparation and realization of the Summit. CSM Advisory Group members welcomed the inclusion of a three-hours plenary session dedicated to the Food Systems Summit within CFS 47th Plenary week and expressed the need for the CFS to adopt a decision on its own role and involvement in the process at the

Plenary. CSM also expressed deep concern regarding the appointment by the UN Secretary General of the Special Envoy for the Summit, Mrs. Agnes Kalibata who is the President of the Alliance for a Green Revolution in Africa (AGRA). This nomination expresses a strong bias towards an undue influence of the corporate and agribusiness sector in this Summit. This bias is exacerbated by the Strategic partnership Agreement between the World Economic Forum and the UN Secretary General which already generated huge protests and controversies last year.

CSM Updates

Several organizations have therefore written a letter to the UN Secretary General which is open for signatures of individual organizations now. To sign click here before 21st of February!

From the CSM perspective, the Food Systems Summit must build on the legacy of the World Food Summits of 1996, 2002 and 2009, with a strong emphasis on the centrality of the right to food and the inclusive governance reform of the CFS which upheld that the voice and demands of the rightsholders and small-scale food producers must be at the core of the global governance architecture on food security and nutrition. .

The CFS Chair sent a letter to the Special Envoy requesting a meeting with her, including the possibility to hold a joint meeting with the CFS Advisory Group and Bureau. According to our latest information, the Chair met on 10 February with the Special Envoy, but without the Bureau and Advisory Group. The Special Envoy also met that day with the Principals of the Rome-Based Agencies and representatives of the Members States in FAO, as well as with food producer organizations in occasion of the IFAD's Farmers Forum.



Updates on the CFS OEWG on Food Systems and Nutrition of 29 January 2020

The CFS OEWG on Food Systems and Nutrition took place on January 29, under the lead of the Swiss Chair Liliane Ortega. The meeting aimed at collecting and exchange feedbacks and comments on the first draft of the CFS Guidelines on Food Systems and Nutrition.



Based on the feedbacks received during the OEWG meeting and written inputs received before February 5th, the Chair of the OEWG jointly with the CFS Secretariat and the technical task team will elaborate a new draft that will be published on March 12. CSM Comments and contributions on the first draft are available here!

Strong remarks on the need of a stronger human rights-based approach throughout the documents and the need to clearly define roles and responsibilities of different actors in the guidelines, in particular of states and the private sector were delivered during the meeting.

CSM Updates

* Look the videos of CSM statements and contributions of the Working Group: [Hashim Bin Rashid, LVC \(Pakistan\)](#) [Shalmali Guttal, Focus on the Global South \(Thailand\)](#), [Isabel Álvarez Vispo, Urgenci \(Spain\)](#), [Ramona Dominicioiu, LVC \(Romania\)](#)

CSM Contribution to the HLPE e-consultation on the scope of the Youth Report 26 January 2020

The HLPE launched its e-consultation on the scope of the report “Promoting Youth engagement and employment in agriculture and food systems” that will inform the CFS policy process on youth adopted by CFS 46th Plenary Session within the Multi-Year Program of Work (MYPoW) 2020-2023. The policy process towards the adoption of Policy Recommendations will be taking place between 2021/2022. The CSM Youth working group gathered comments from different sources and submitted a substantive and collective input to the consultation which is available here! To join the Youth WG, please write to the CSM Secretariat!



Updates on the monitoring process of the Framework for Action (FFA)



This year the CFS will engage in the monitoring exercise of the Framework for Action for Food Security and Nutrition in Protracted Crises, and a Global Thematic Event is foreseen during CFS 47th Plenary Session in October 2020. A first call for inputs to share results of multi-stakeholder events organized to discuss the FFA at national, regional and global level was issued in March 2019, with a deadline of 31 March 2020. In October 2019 a second call was issued, this time soliciting individual inputs on experiences and good practices regarding the use and application of the FFA, broadly, using an online survey and with a deadline of 31 March 2020.

The CSM held a first internal consultation on the FFA during last October 2019, and a global consultation will take place in Rome in the first half of March. A core group of CSM participating organizations from the CSM Monitoring and Protracted Crises working groups is currently engaged in the process of preparation

CSM Updates

and consultation to draft CSM inputs at the end of March. As in previous years, the CSM is also preparing its own independent monitoring report and soon a CSM survey will be made available to collect experiences. If you are willing to engage and to be actively involved in the process, please write to the CSM Secretariat to join the core group! [More updates here!](#)

The HLPE e-consultation on the first draft of the Global Narrative Report is open!



The HLPE has launched the e-consultation on the zero draft of the report “Food Security and Nutrition: building a global narrative towards 2030”. The report is expected to be discussed and presented in October, during CFS 47th Plenary Session. This report will be shorter than regular HLPE Reports (around 20 pages) and so far no policy process is foreseen subsequently to its release and recommendations. If you wish to engage in the process of the HLPE consultation, please subscribe to the [CSM Working Group on Global Food Governance](#) that will be in charge of drafting a collective comment for the e-consultation and following this CFS process towards October.

Updates on CFS processes

Engage in CFS policy processes!

Join CSM Working Groups by writing to the CSM Secretariat!

- Youth
- Food Systems and Nutrition
- Global Food Governance
- Women
- Monitoring
- Protracted Crisis
- Agroecology

