CFS Bureau and (ad hoc) Advisory Group meeting and CFS Bureau meeting

Dates: 14 and 17 January 2022
Time: 14:00 - 17:00 and 9:30 – 12:30
Virtual meetings (Zoom Platform)

Bureau and Advisory Group Meeting Outcomes - With Bureau Decisions

Agenda

1. Nutrition for Growth Summit outcomes
2. CFS 50 Agenda and Timetable – with Bureau decision
3. CFS policy convergence processes on Gender and Youth – Modalities for Negotiations – with Bureau decision
4. CFS contribution to HLPF – with Bureau decision
5. CFS philanthropic foundations mechanism (Bureau only)
6. Interpretation and translation services for Bureau and Advisory Group meetings – Cost estimates and considerations (Bureau only)
7. Any other business

The CFS Chairperson opened the meeting, welcomed Members of the Bureau and participants to this first meeting of 2022, and sought approval of the provisional agenda.

A minute of silence was observed for H.E. Alaa Roushdy, Ambassador of Egypt, who it was revealed had passed away earlier that same day.

The CFS Chairperson reminded the audience that, as per usual practice, the meeting would be recorded for the Secretariat’s note-taking purposes.

1. Nutrition for Growth (N4G) Summit outcomes

The CFS Chair highlighted the opportune timing of the recent Tokyo N4G Summit, as well as the importance for all to come together to step up efforts to end malnutrition and join forces to achieve equitable access to healthy diets and improved nutrition. He also reminded the audience of the 2021 adopted CFS Voluntary Guidelines on Food Systems and Nutrition which provide guidance on policies and interventions to address malnutrition in all its forms through a holistic ‘food systems’ perspective, and that promote policy coherence between sectors that impact on food systems and nutrition. The Chair urged that this concrete tool to support development of coordinated, multi-sectoral national policies and laws, be used. He further highlighted the responsibility of CFS Members and Participants, – as they are well-positioned to encourage country uptake and implementation of these Guidelines.
Following this brief introduction, the “Nutrition for Growth Summit” key outcomes and respective commitments were presented verbally by Mr Yoshi Kuraya, Deputy Permanent Representative of Japan; Ms Naoko Yamamoto, WHO Assistant Director General for Healthier Populations and Chair of UN Nutrition; and the UN Nutrition Executive Secretary, Ms Stineke Oenema.

The Deputy Permanent Representative of Japan highlighted the specificities of this third N4G Summit – after those held in London and Rio (in 2013 and 2016, respectively). He mentioned: (a) the double burden of malnutrition as a main topic in the Summit, and; (b) the hosting of the Summit amidst a global pandemic, which nonetheless concluded with wide ranging commitments towards the five objectives of the N4G Summit (universal health coverage; universal access to food; resilience in fragile contexts; accountability; and financing for nutrition), including by the RBAs.

The WHO Assistant Director General for Healthier Populations provided details on the leadership role WHO played in the preparation of the Summit and on its specific commitments (on anemia; wasting; breast feeding; obesity; and measurement and sharing of nutrition data).

The Executive Secretary of UN Nutrition mentioned that N4G was an event to get commitments and pledges across the board of actors, as were its many side events, critical for mobilisation and advocacy for nutrition. The series of major events in 2021 (UNFSS, COP 26) also supported the build-up of momentum. The RBAs and UN supported the event by providing leadership on the 5 themes of the N4G summit, and UNN helped national governments formulate their N4G commitments. The UNN Executive Secretary listed some of the nutrition commitments made by UN agencies and organisations at the N4G summit, and highlighted their comprehensive nature, citing the “togetherness” of their actions in this sector, namely linking nutrition with climate change and biodiversity responses.

The CFS Chair noted an upcoming event organized by the World Bank (WB), the Global Financing Facility for Women, Children and Adolescents, the World Health Organization, and Results for Development (R4D) - the “Nutrition Financing Week” - to be held from January 24-27, 2022, and invited WB representative Mr. Felipe Dizon to provide an overview of the Week.

The WB representative noted that this event is one of the first N4G post action items organised to support stakeholders in translating commitments into concrete actions. This will happen through a series of virtual N4G official side events, taking a deep dive into key actions and strategies to strengthen nutrition financing and accountability mechanisms and maximize results. While the CFS VGFSN are not specifically cited as a focal piece of this event, Mr. Dizon did confirm that the WB’s is using the VGFSN to review funding proposals and to press governments to abide by its recommendations.

WFP Director of Nutrition, Ms. Abigail Perry, thanked the Government of Japan and others involved in the event. WFP supported the organization of the Summit, providing leadership on the theme of resilience, where the WFP ED announced important commitments, including on fortification, support to healthy diets, and use of the VGFSN. One area that WFP will systematically highlight and give attention to is how to effectively address malnutrition in fragile and humanitarian contexts.

The representative of IFAD, Ms Wei Wang, spoke of IFAD commitments during the N4G summit: (i) 6 million persons with targeted support to nutrition by 2025; (ii) 25% of IFAD projects will be designed with a nutrition component by 2025; and (iii) 25% of targeted populations will be women.

Mr Rodney Cooke, on behalf of CGIAR, said that the organization strongly endorses and supports the Tokyo Compact, in particular Pillar 2 on healthy diets in respect of environment.
Mr Jose Alvarez of United Cities and Local Governments (UCLG) noted the absence of any reference to local level actors in the Tokyo Compact and urged policy makers to focus on local governance.

To questions on what the Summit’s relevance to CFS were, speakers offered the following:

UN Nutrition highlighted that the UN, including the RBAs, have shared the VGFSN and advertised the FAO “Evidence Platform” to help UN agencies support national actors to develop their N4G and UNFSS commitments.

WHO stated that, beyond the use of CFS products to support the development of national strategies, WHO will also be looking on how to further strengthen links between CFS and national levels.

Japan closed by stating that nutrition is a long-term objective and the CFS VGFSN is a useful tool to support this goal.

Last, the CFS Chair reminded the audience of the importance for all institutions and stakeholders to play their role within their respective mandate and missions, show leadership, and take responsibilities synergistically. For achieving our shared nutrition goals, the CFS provides an essential globally agreed framework to be drawn upon, the VGFSN; governments are taking political leadership, including within countries and globally, as Japan showcases; the UN System works together to provide support to countries in a coordinated way, through UN Nutrition; movements such as SUN mobilize multiple stakeholders; the World Bank and IFAD show how international financing institutions are mobilizing resources. Concluding, the Chair encouraged CFS members and participants to take even bolder actions in terms of policy, strategies and financing, for collective actions for nutrition.

2. CFS 50 Agenda and Timetable – with Bureau decision

The CFS Chairperson presented the provisional agenda and draft timetable of CFS 50, scheduled to be held from 10 to 13 October 2022. These reflect the MYPoW workstreams and integrate experience from previous sessions. He highlighted that the draft agenda and timetable are well balanced (time-wise), hence, if something is added, something else should be removed/shortened.

Overall, Bureau Members and participants welcomed the CFS 50 provisional agenda and timetable as presented by the CFS Chair, and underlined that the proposed content and structure are is well-balanced, in terms of timing and topics. The following comments were provided for consideration:

- Attention to regional concerns and priorities, including invitations to the AU and other regional organizations to provide regional context to the global plenary debates.

- A request that more details on the CFS Special Event (such as the theme and speakers) be provided, and confirmation that Members and Participants are welcome to provide thoughts/ideas on topics to the Secretariat.

- The need to increase time allocated for the MYPoW topic to discuss critical and emerging issues, a coordinated and concerted policy response to the COVID-19 pandemic, as well as a discussion on the theme of the 2024 HLPE report (for which clarifications on the selection process were sought).

- A suggestion to extend the duration of the Youth session up to 3 hours, to include endorsement of recommendations and a discussion on uptake.
- A request to the Secretariat to communicate as early as possible the criteria for selection of side-events, including topics to be addressed.
- A suggestion to add to the CFS 50 agenda a discussion on multilevel governance, on the role of local authorities, and a recognition of International Rural Women’s Day.
- A request to have the broadest possible level of representation of speakers in terms of gender and diversity (ethnicity, geography, age, sexual orientation).

In concluding the item, the CFS Chair informed that, as per past practice, criteria, themes and other detailed information regarding the organization of side events will be discussed and agreed in late spring / early summer 2022.

On determining content of the next MYPoW, it was clarified that this process will start after CFS 50, and will be informed by a Note on Critical and Emerging Issues to be prepared by the HLPE as a background document for CFS-50.

Finally, on the timetable, he noted the need to devote more time to discussion of the MYPoW, the Note on Critical and Emerging Issues in support of the development of the next MYPoW, and acknowledged the call for diversity in the list of speakers for CFS-50, to ensure a wide variety of voices are featured. The Chair also noted that some flexibility shall be considered, to accommodate possible items coming from the conclusions of the ongoing work on the UNFSS and CFS, as needed.

**Bureau decision:**

The CFS Bureau took note of the suggestions provided during the meeting with the Advisory Group, adopted the draft Agenda and timetable noting that necessary adjustments will be made based upon emerging circumstances, and agreed to:

a) Consider a full session for endorsement of, and discussion on uptake of, the policy recommendations on youth;

b) Add a reference to policy coordination to respond to COVID-19 in the title of item 2, with further consideration of a possible dedicated panel within Day 1 devoted to this discussion;

c) Introduce a reference to the celebration of the Rural Women’s day on Tuesday.

d) Ensure enough time is dedicated to discussion of the HLPE Note on Critical and Emerging Issues in the context of food security and nutrition, possibly considering the inclusion of “Critical and Emerging Issues” as a separate agenda item.

e) A suggestion was made to consider follow-up from the UN Food Systems Summit as a possible theme for the CFS Special Event scheduled for Thursday morning, 13 October 2022, or in some other manner to discuss progress on national pathways that resulted from the Summit process.

In response to questions made by Bureau members, it was clarified that item 4.b on Critical and Emerging Issues represents the first step of the preparation of the MYPoW 2024-2027 that will start after CFS 50, in line with the indications provided by the Committee (CFS 2018/45/3, CFS Evaluation: Implementation of the Response to the Evaluation, Annex B). CFS Bureau members were informed that an information note, including a workplan and a timeline for the process toward the selection of the theme of the HLPE 2024 report, will be circulated shortly by the CFS Secretariat.
As concluded by the CFS Chairperson, the CFS Secretariat will prepare a revised version of the CFS 50 Provisional Agenda and Timetable to be circulated as a background document for the next Bureau and Advisory Group meeting scheduled for 23 March.

3. CFS policy convergence processes on Gender and Youth – Modalities for Negotiations – with Bureau decision

The CFS Chair recalled that this agenda item was included as a result of the last round of Bureau meetings in November, when Members highlighted the importance for them to discuss and agree on general principles for improving the efficiency and inclusiveness of CFS negotiations.

He informed that the background document had been prepared by the Secretariat, in consultation with the Co-Chairs of the Gender work-stream and the Rapporteur of the Youth work-stream, based upon lessons learned and good practices which emerged from previous CFS negotiations - including those done virtually.

Before inviting comments, the CFS Chair summarised the proposals made at the joint Bureau and Advisory Meeting and recalled that this proposal is meant to represent guidance and orientation for members and participants, and should not be considered as formal rules or regulations. These are meant as general principles to help the process leaders, not “tie their hands,” and to set realistic expectations among participants. The spirit of the principles is to ensure that the Committee’s negotiations allow all parties to keep engaged and participate meaningfully through keeping negotiations manageable, and predictable within the confines of available host-agency services, in full respect to those members with less capacities in Rome or in capitals.

The CFS Chair noted that similar documents had been shared by the Secretariat in advance of previous negotiations (e.g. policy recommendations on “sustainable forestry for food security and nutrition” and “connecting smallholders to markets”).

While participants generally welcomed the document and its general principles, the following comments were also provided:

- These key principles should be valid for all CFS negotiation processes, but not limit the Facilitators / Rapporteurs in their capacity to structure negotiation processes.
- CFS end-products need to be clear, concise and implementable. Every effort should be put into working for short, concise and practical zero drafts.
- The method of incorporating the comments of the membership to the texts being negotiated as depicted in item f) needs to be clarified.
- Avoid re-negotiate already-agreed language from other documents.
- Need to have a holistic approach to food systems during the negotiations, and do not look at issues and topics in isolation.
- Consider access to the negotiations, and modalities and challenges are well thought about.
- Consider time zone challenges in light of participation by those in the Americas and Asia.
• Friends of the Chair meetings should be convened to resolve specific text disputes (and not in lieu of OEWG negotiations).

• Member of technical task teams (that are deemed to be technical support of the Secretariat and the Facilitators / Rapporteurs) should not be permitted to take the floor taking the role of negotiators during the OEWG meetings in order to avoid conflict of interest.

• Request that any formal evening sessions are announced as far in advance as possible, and ensure interpretation in all FAO languages.

• Suggest that any new text be read aloud to ensure it is interpreted.

• Proposals by participants should be considered acceptable, unless there is an explicit objection by a Member State. Such proposals require explicit support from a Member State to be adopted.

• Add a reference to a principle of mutual understanding and respect between participants and members, on nature, approaches and cultures, besides the need to streamline the negotiations.

• Eliminate reference to limits to the number of interventions allowed.

• The circulation of positions in writing is encouraged.

It was confirmed that formal negotiations are always interpreted in FAO’s six official languages, and that such a requirement puts serious constraints and limitations on the Secretariat’s ability to schedule new additional negotiation sessions; any new ‘on-screen’ proposals from the process chair will be read out, ensuring they are interpreted.

It was agreed that the draft document for negotiations will be formally made public in all UN languages simultaneously, while making an advance English version available as soon as it is sent for translation.

As for modalities of the negotiations, these will be decided upon, in consultation with the host Agency, in view of the global health situation and the host country’s national regulatory framework.

Other comments and suggestions will be discussed with the co-Chairs and the Rapporteur who will ultimately lead the negotiations.

In his closing remarks, the CFS Chair underscored that such guidance are meant to streamline CFS processes, and facilitate the work of the Rapporteurs/Chairs.

Bureau decision:

The CFS Secretariat took note of the comments and proposed amendments and will revise the document for approval by correspondence with Bureau members, including suggested amendments.

In closing, the CFS Chair emphasized the importance for Chairs/Rapporteurs of CFS policy convergence processes to be able to benefit from guidance that draws from the Committee’s good practices, and the need to keep updating such guidance documents on a regular basis. At the same time, the Chair highlighted the important role played by Chairs and Rapporteurs in making choices that address specific circumstances and workstreams, in a spirit of flexibility.
4. CFS contribution to HLPF – with Bureau decision

The CFS Chair recalled that at the last round of Bureau and AG meetings in November the HLPF contribution was discussed as part of the 2021-2022 workplan. Since then, he received an official request for inputs by the ECOSOC President, which was circulated as a background document for this agenda item, with a 1 March 2022 deadline.

He also recalled that, as per past practice, the Bureau will be nominating a facilitator from among CFS Members to oversee the preparation of the CFS contribution, and encouraged volunteers to come forth.

Last, he informed that the overall theme of the 2022 HLPF is “Building back better from the coronavirus disease (COVID-19) while advancing the full implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development”, noting that the SDGs under in-depth review are 4 (on quality education), 5 (on gender equality), 14 (on life below water), 15 (on life on land), and 17 (on partnerships for the Goals). The ECOSOC President also requested updates on progress on achieving the “leaving no one behind” principle.

The CFS Secretariat highlighted the need to quickly agree on a process for the preparation of the CFS contribution to the 2022 HLPF, as the process described at paragraph 96 of the MYPoW is no longer applicable, since the deadline of 01 March 2022 to provide inputs to the HLPF makes it impossible for the draft contribution to be considered first by the CFS plenary.

Participants underscored: (i) the need to allow enough time for inputs by Bureau and AG members, despite the tight deadline; (ii) the value of both CFS policy products and HLPE reports to be used as baseline sources of language for the inputs; (iii) the request for inputs to be concise; and (iv) a suggestion to create a Technical Task Team to develop the draft contribution and finalize it with the inputs of interested CFS Members and participants.

**Bureau decision:**

The Bureau agreed to the proposal way forward in the context of the joint Bureau and Advisory Group meeting to establish a Technical Task Team to support the Secretariat and the Rapporteur in drafting the CFS contribution.

In view of the tight deadline for submitting CFS inputs to the HLPF (1 March 2022), and in line with paragraph 96 of the CFS 2020-2023 MYPoW, the CFS Chair underlined the need to urgently nominate a facilitator from among CFS Members to lead the preparation of the CFS contribution.

5. CFS philanthropic foundations mechanism (Bureau only)

The CFS Chair recalled that the Gates Foundation (BMGF) has represented the philanthropic foundations “seat” within the CFS Advisory Group since 2009, coordinating with a small number of others to represent the voice of foundations within CFS processes. Following the proposal elevated to the Bureau by the BMGF, together with the Agroecology Fund (AEF), and the Global Alliance for the Future of Food (GAFF) to establish a Philanthropic Foundations Mechanism and the discussions held in the Bureau meetings of 24/25 November, two background documents were shared with the Bureau under this agenda item:
I. A note from FAO’s Legal Office on the establishment of a philanthropic foundation mechanism which notes that, as per paragraph 17 of the Reform Document, a coordination mechanism of "private philanthropic organizations" is foreseen.

II. A proposal jointly developed by the BMGF, the Agroecology Fund (AEF), and the Global Alliance for the Future of Food (GAFF) to establish a more inclusive Philanthropic Foundations “Mechanism” (PFM) with the purpose of coordinating active participation by philanthropic organizations in the work of the CFS, including advice to the Bureau along with input to policy convergence processes, input to consultations, contributions to the High-Level Panel of Experts (HLPE), and within the Advisory Group.

Their proposal describes structures and modalities for this mechanism, including its role and functions, organizing principles, governance and structure, communications, accountability, and evaluation.

The CFS Chair underscored the “autonomous” nature of mechanisms as described by the Reform document and emphasized by the FAO Legal Office’s note, and clarified that the proposal does not imply any additional seat for Philanthropic Foundations, but rather a new way for this constituency to self-organize for the purpose of presenting a unified “voice” in the context of the CFS Advisory Group and other CFS processes.

Some CFS Bureau members welcomed the growing interest by foundations in the work of CFS, and viewed the proposal as a positive enhancement of foundations’ engagement, appreciative of their efforts to coordinate their inputs to CFS discussions and deliberations in an inclusive manner.

Some Members highlighted that such a mechanism would contribute to keeping the CFS Advisory Group open, participative and transparent, and the CFS to continue to be the foremost inclusive multi-stakeholder platform for food security and nutrition. They also expressed appreciation for the transparent approach taken by the foundations in sharing their proposal, and the clarity of the FAO Legal Office’s opinion on the matter.

Some members, while welcoming the proposal, requested more explicit safeguards, accountability and control mechanisms to be set up within the work of the (eventual) mechanism.

Other Members expressed concerns and called for caution and for the need of discussing the implications of such a mechanism in plenary, raising the following issues:

- The membership of this new proposed mechanism and the process to become a member for those beyond the three named groups.
- Which entity would occupy the “seat” within the CFS Advisory Group.
- How the mechanism would be financed, and whether its establishment would have any financial implications for the CFS.
- The role that some large foundations are taking in the multilateral system.
- The potential risk for imbalances and conflicts of interests.
- Whether the proposal needs to be debated during the next CFS plenary.

The CFS Secretariat confirmed that such a mechanism would not present any budgetary implications for the CFS as any operational costs associated with the mechanism’s participation in CFS meetings would be borne by its participating organizations.
Regarding membership in the proposed mechanism, it was noted that GAFF already represents a group of 31 foundations, while the new mechanism anticipates the possibility of allowing new members should there be interest - via annual review of new applications.

**Bureau decision:**

Acknowledging the difference of country positions and questions/concerns raised, the CFS Chair concluded as a way forward:

1) To acknowledge and thank the three foundations for their compelling proposal;

2) To inform these foundations that questions and concerns were asked/expressed regarding the mechanism proposal; and,

3) To establish a small group of Bureau members that can take forward the conversation, and to meet with the three foundations to further discuss their proposal in order to address the issues raised and concerns expressed before any further steps are taken, and before any formal “mechanism” is established and acknowledged by the Bureau. The Chair/Vice-chair and Secretariat will follow up to arrange this meeting in the coming weeks.

6. Interpretation and translation services for Bureau and Advisory Group meetings – Cost estimates and considerations (Bureau only)

The CFS Secretariat presented information on practical and budgetary implications of providing interpretation and translation services during Bureau and Advisory Group meetings. The Secretariat explained that ensuring interpretation and translation services for Bureau meetings would entail significant extra, unbudgeted costs that could only be reliably covered via provision of significant extra-budgetary contributions, especially as the costs of such services via the host agency have continued to increase while the CFS regular program budget has been decreasing.

**Bureau decision:**

The CFS Chair concluded that it is not currently feasible, in light of the implications presented, to provide interpretation and translation services during Bureau meetings. However, every effort will be made to continue maximizing interpretation and translation services for CFS public meetings (beyond just Plenary and formal negotiation session) and will work to support the CSM to provide their own interpreters at Bureau & Advisory Group and other meetings, to enhance inclusivity.

7. Any Other Business

The CFS Chair and Co-Chairs of the VG-GEWE (Finland and Panama) informed of revised dates of the Gender Work-stream. These changes were made to address comments during the 24/25 November Bureau meetings. In particular:

- The English version of the First Draft was shared on 13 January and posted on the Gender page of the CFS Working Space, at the request of several Members and participants.

- The language versions of the First Draft will be shared by 18 January.

- The deadline to send comments on the First Draft is now 18 February.
The OEWG meeting to discuss the First Draft of the *CFS Voluntary Guidelines on Gender Equality and Women’s and Girls’ Empowerment in the Context of Food Security and Nutrition* will be held on 21 February (all day). The OEWG will agree on a final version for negotiations.

Written comments are expected by 18th February, but any new verbal comments made on the 21st of February should be sent in writing to the CFS Secretariat who will incorporate all comments received in advance of and during the OEWG meeting to produce the Draft for Negotiation.

There will be another OEWG meeting on 21 April to share views on the Draft for Negotiation, not yet confirmed whether AM or PM.

Dates for negotiations did not change, as it is difficult to find new and/or alternative dates. The only other option is to use the first week of August for a third round of negotiations.

Ms Gren, the GEWE OEWG Co-Chair, thanked all who commented on the draft VG-GEWE in the context of the regional and electronic consultations, and the two Co-Chairs were looking forward to more comments by 18 February.

The CFS Chair updated on the Data workstream. The e-consultation on the V0 draft of the HLPE report 17 “Data collection and analysis tools for food security and nutrition” has opened at the end of December and will run until 26th January.

The CFS Secretariat updated on the Youth workstream. The V0 draft of the policy recommendations will be issued by 30 January, and another open discussion will be held after.

The CFS Chair updated on the Friends of the Chair discussions on the follow-up to the UNFSS. The CFS Chair informed that the group should present a new options paper on possible actions for CFS Bureau to consider at its March meeting.

The CFS Chair updated on his recent travels to Geneva, New York and Washington DC, in November and December, to outreach and to establish/reinforce links with national governments and intergovernmental bodies.

The CFS Secretary informed that the German-hosted GFFA in late January and the Dubai Expo in late February will both feature CFS-organized panel discussion (CFS VGGT’s at the first, VGFSN at the second).
Annex 1: List of attendees of the Bureau and Advisory Group meeting

CFS Bureau Members:
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Observers:
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Annex 2: List of attendees of the Bureau meeting

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