

## **CSM Contributions to AG-Bureau meeting 18 March:**

### **Agenda item Substantive discussion A: *SDG 2 and Financing for Sustainable Development***

*No comment foreseen*

### **Agenda item Substantive discussion B: *Impact on world food security of the conflict in Ukraine***

*See CSM statement*

### **Agenda item 1: Selection of the theme for HLPE 2024 report**

#### a) Workplan:

We generally welcome the draft workplan, with two additions:

- We suggest including a Technical Task Team to support the CFS Secretariat in this process.
- Instead of preparing only one possible theme for the HLPE Report 2024, for adoption at the CFS 50 Plenary, we believe it would be preferable to propose two or three alternative themes to the plenary. This way, the decision on the Theme of the HLPE Report 2024 and the related policy follow-up in CFS would be taken by the Plenary, and not completely predetermined ahead of time by the CFS Bureau and Advisory Group.

#### b) Preliminary discussions on themes suggested in the HLPE Note

We have started discussions in the Civil Society and indigenous Peoples' Mechanism on possible political priorities to propose for the CFS MYPOW 2024-2027. There are many topics and a diversity of proposals that are of high relevance to our constituencies.

We are not yet in the position to bring forward these proposals, or to respond to the themes proposed in the HLPE Note. We have just translated it and shared among the CSM Advisory Group and relevant working Groups. We will have further discussions and will submit our considerations and suggestions by the proposed deadline 11 of April.

We would like to highlight, however, that the Globally Coordinated Policy Response to the food crises linked to COVID-19, continues a pressing challenge for our constituencies worldwide, and could be exacerbated by new layers of crises and injustice associated with wars, conflicts and climate crises.

We strongly believe that the CFS should establish a Response process to respond to this kind of upcoming crises, in order to effectively meet its Global Policy Coordination function, established in the CFS Reform and the current CFS Strategic Plan.

### **Agenda item 2: CFS Advisory Group Reporting Exercise**

*No need to comment. CSM is requested to present its report in the May meeting of the Bureau and Advisory Group.*

### **Agenda item 3: CFS Workstreams, Intersessional Events, and Budget Updates**

Negotiation modalities: the Youth WG would like to know more about how the revised Modalities for the Negotiations will look like and how the Advisory Group will be consulted about them before the Bureau adopts them.

Event on Inequalities in September 2022: The CSM would like to know how this event will be prepared. We would like to suggest that the event is prepared in a participatory and inclusive way, that includes also the CFS Advisory Group and Bureau. This topic is of high importance to us, since CSM was one of the proponents of this topic for the MYPOW 2020-2023.

On the Budget Update: we see that the unspent resources in 2021 amounting to 580.000 USD. Could these resources be reallocated to 2022?

**Agenda item 4: Any other business**

*Teresa will say ciao to the CFS Bureau and Advisory Group*