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Global Strategic Framework for Food Security and Nutrition

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The problem:

- Today more than 1 billion people suffer from chronic hunger, the very recent agricultural commodity price hikes does not leave any room for complacency
- In November 2009 the heads of state and government convened at the World Summit on Food Security declared that the increasing level of hunger and poverty “is an unacceptable blight on the **lives, livelihoods** and **dignity** of **one sixth** of the world’s population”.

How to address the issue

This has been the topic of numerous forums at different levels for years. Only in the past 2 years:

- G8
- G20
- UN General Assembly
- CFS
- High Level Task Force on the Global Food Security crisis
- Worlds Summit on Food Security
- FAO Council
- FAO Conference

More recently, the reform of the CFS which aims to enable CFS to “...**fully play its vital role in the area of food security and nutrition, including international coordination**”. It was agreed that: “**CFS will gradually take additional roles such as ... develop a global strategic framework for food security and nutrition**”.

Why a strategic framework

- The reformed CFS which brings together a wide range of organizations, programs, task forces and countries at different stages of development, working towards a common shared goal in a complex environment **needs a framework to enable it to be forward looking and visualize its future responsibilities and actions, from different perspectives**
- The GSF should serve to harmonize, facilitate and organize the CFS in its newly identified roles.

Goal & objectives

Goal: provide a **dynamic instrument** to enhance to role of the CFS.

Objectives:

- improve **coordination** and **synergy** among all stakeholders
- **strengthen coherence** and **convergence** among policies and programs
- bring together the **world wide knowledge** (HLPE) and **field experience** (Joint Secretariat)
- catalyze **country level capacity building**
- improve **communication and information exchange**
- create an **atmosphere of trust and shared responsibility**



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Value added

- Prioritization
- Partnership
- Accountability and ownership

The way forward

- 2 step process:

Step 1: obtaining contributions from all stakeholders, HLPE, other UN bodies, international organizations, international and regional finance institutions, private philanthropic foundations, private sector associations

Step 2: consolidate inputs from Step 1 in a document to be reviewed and commented in a process led by the Secretariat in close collaboration with the Bureau, Advisory Group and HLPE with a view to be adopted by CFS plenary in 2012.



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In simple words:

This concept note proposes **how to be done**

The CFS decides **what to be done** (in next 2 years)