



Annotation of the Provisional Agenda

CFS 45 and World Food Week

CFS 45 is taking place within World Food Week which has the theme:

Our Actions Are Our Future: a #ZeroHunger World by 2030 Is Possible

CFS 45 will open on Monday 15 October. On Tuesday 16 October, World Food Day, the Committee will be suspended. On the morning of World Food Day, the World Food Day Ceremony will be held in Plenary Hall at 9.30. All CFS Members and Non Members are invited as are CFS Participants (with a maximum of three per delegation). Limited space is also available for CFS Observers. Delegations will be provided entry passes in advance for the World Food Day Ceremony.

Following the World Food Day Ceremony at 11.30 there will be a panel discussion on “Emerging Challenges: Nutrition/Obesity, Climate Change, Conflict and Migration” and in the afternoon at 15.30 there will be a further panel discussion on “The Role of Partnerships to Achieve Zero Hunger: Civil Society, Private Sector, Parliaments, Cities”. Both of these panel discussions will be in Plenary Hall and all CFS Members, Non Members, Participants and Observers are invited to attend. No entry passes are needed.

In the evening of World Food Day there will be a round of CFS Side Events. See below for links to the CFS Side Event information.

In the FAO Atrium there will be a World Food Week exhibit where visitors will be encouraged to show their commitment by choosing an action and taking a photo which will merge with a group of photos to form a virtual photo mosaic representing Zero Hunger. The final images composed of groups of photos will update automatically at regular intervals highlighting different visuals that represent Zero Hunger.

For more details on World Food Day Activities please visit the [World Food Day](#) web page.

CFS 45 Logistics

WiFi

FAO WiFi network: *guest_internet* Password: *wifi2internet*

Session Times and Location

Monday 15 October, Wednesday 17 – Friday 19 October:

- Morning: 10.00 -13.00
- Afternoon: 15.00 – 18.00

All CFS Plenary Sessions are in Plenary Hall, 3rd Floor, Building A, FAO. The Friday morning Lesson Sharing Sessions that will be held in the Red Room, Building A, 1st Floor.

Where to find information on CFS 45

CFS 45 web page	The latest on CFS 45 including panelists, presentations and additional background documents. (The page is in English only. Documents in original language).
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CFS 45 List of Documents	The CFS 45 Session Documents in all UN languages.
CFS 45 Session & Side Event Timetable	The CFS 45 Session and Side Event Timetable in one place. Mobile friendly and printable - see the Printer Friendly button at the bottom of the page. (In English only)
CFS 45 Side Event with Abstracts	The CFS 45 Side Event list with Abstracts (In original language)

Timekeeping

CFS 45 provides the opportunity for meaningful dialogue and interaction. With that, delegates are kindly requested to keep their interventions succinct (preferably three minutes or less) and relevant to the item under discussion. Lengthy formal statements are not anticipated.

Side Events

Side Events are held in the following rooms:

- Red Room, Building A, First Floor
- Iran Room, Building B, First Floor – access via the stairs to the right of the Flag Hall
- Iraq Room, Building B, Second Floor
- Lebanon Room, Building D, Second Floor
- Mexico Room, Building D, Second Floor
- Philippines Room, Building C, Second Floor
- Green Room, Building A, First Floor
- Sheikh Zayed Centre, Atrium , First Floor

Side events are in the morning from 8.30 to 10.00 (except Monday and Tuesday), at lunchtime from 13.00 to 14.30 (Monday and Wednesday through Friday) and in the evening from 18.00 to 19.30 Monday through Thursday. There is a launch event on Wednesday afternoon from 14.30 – 15.00. See the [CFS 45 Session & Side Event Timetable](#) for more information on Side Event times and locations.

Information Marketplace

The CFS 45 Information Marketplace will be in the Flag Hall, Building B, Ground Floor FAO. It will open at 8.30 on Monday 15 October and close on Friday 19 October at 14.00.

Greening CFS

In line with the “Greening the Blue” initiative to make UN meetings more environmentally friendly, CFS 45 will be Papersmart. As in previous years all CFS background documents are [available electronically](#).

The Document Desk in the Korean Conference Service Centre (Building A, 1st Floor) will serve as a Print-On-Demand centre during the period 15 October and 17 – 19 October from 8.30 to 18.00. There are two options for requesting printed copies:

- Go in person to the Document Desk and request the document needed

- Send an email in advance with the document number and language to cfs45-Print@fao.org and then pick up the copies. Document numbers are in the [List of Documents](#)

CFS will also be climate neutral. Local and air travel emissions of delegates will be offset by contributions to the [UNFCCC Climate Neutral Now platform](#)

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- I. ORGANIZATIONAL MATTERS *(For decision)*
 - a) Adoption of Agenda and Timetable *(For decision)*
 - b) Membership of the Committee *(For information)*
 - c) Drafting Committee Composition *(For decision)*

Background documents:

CFS 2017/45/1 Rev1	Provisional Agenda
CFS 2017/45/Inf.1 Rev 1	Provisional Timetable
CFS 2017/45/Inf.2	Annotation of the Provisional Agenda (this document)

II. STATE OF FOOD SECURITY AND NUTRITION IN THE WORLD 2018

The opening of CFS will give an overview of the State of Food Security and Nutrition in the World 2018 Report.

- a) [Opening Statements](#)
(For information)

The following, or their delegates, will make brief opening statements:

- Mr Mario Arvelo, CFS Chair
- Mr José Graziano da Silva, Director-General, Food and Agricultural Organization (FAO),
- Mr Gilbert F. Hounbo, President, International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD)
- Mr David Beasley, Executive Director, World Food Programme (WFP)
- Mr Patrick Caron, Steering Committee Chair, High Level Panel of Experts on Food Security and Nutrition (HLPE)

- b) [Presentation of the State of Food Security and Nutrition in the World 2018 Report](#)
(For information and discussion)

The State of Food Security and Nutrition in the World (SOFI) 2018 report, launched on 11 September 2018, will be presented to the Committee. It includes new evidence that will confirm whether or not world hunger continues to be on the rise after more than a decade of steady decline. Last year's report showed that the failure to reduce world hunger is closely associated with the increase in conflict and violence in several parts of the world. At the same time, initial evidence seems to indicate that in some countries climate-related events were also undermining food security and nutrition. This year's report

explores in-depth the impact that climate variability and extremes – even without conflict – are having on food security and nutrition around the world – and whether changes in climate are a key driver behind the recent rise in global hunger and severe food crises. The report unpacks the evidence on how climate variability and extremes, in part-linked to climate change, are already negatively impacting on agriculture, food security and nutrition in many countries around the world.

Increasing climate variability and extremes are affecting all aspects of food security including food availability, access, utilization, and stability, as well as reinforcing other underlying causes of malnutrition related to child care and feeding, health services and environmental health. Climate-related shocks are also exacerbating the effects of other stressors, often with negative outcomes for livelihoods, food security and nutrition, especially for people living in poverty who have less capacity to cope and adapt.

The risk of food insecurity and malnutrition is greater nowadays because livelihoods and livelihood assets – especially of the poor – are more exposed and vulnerable to changing climate variability and extremes. What can be done to prevent this threat from further eroding the gains made in ending hunger and malnutrition in recent years?

Following the presentation of the SOFI Report, the floor will be open for delegate interventions.

c) [Panel Discussion on State of Food Security and Nutrition in the World 2018](#)

(For information and discussion)

This is a moderated multistakeholder panel discussion bringing together international leading experts, and representatives of civil society and the private sector, who are critical to take action if, in the face of increasing climate variability and extremes we are to halt the rise in global hunger and get back on track to ending hunger by 2030.

Following the initial presentations by panellists, delegates will be encouraged to respond or complement what they hear to create a dialogue identifying good practices and how to address challenges.

Background documents:

CFS 2017/45/Inf.13	State of Food Security and Nutrition in the World 2018
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III. [PRESENTATION AND PANEL DISCUSSION ON THE STATE OF FOOD AND AGRICULTURE 2018](#)

(For information and discussion)

The State of Food and Agriculture (SOFA) 2018 report, which will be launched on 15 October 2018, presents the relationship between migration, agriculture, and rural development. Migration is an expanding global reality, allowing millions of people to seek new opportunities but, at times, leading to divisions within societies. This report analyses migratory flows - both internal and international - and how they are linked to the process of economic development, demographics, and governance. The

focus of the report is on rural migration, the many forms it takes and the important role it plays in both developing and developed countries. The report investigates drivers and impacts of rural migration and highlights how policy priorities relating to rural migration depend on country contexts that continuously evolve. Priorities will be different for countries in protracted crisis situations, countries where rural youth employment is a challenge, countries in economic and demographic transition, and developed countries in need of migrant workers.

A brief presentation of the SOFA Report will be followed by a moderated panel discussion that brings together leading experts on migration, development practitioners, civil society and the private sector. Following presentations by the panelists, delegates will be invited to join the discussion to identify good practices and how to address challenges.

Background documents:

CFS 2017/45/Inf.14	State of Food and Agriculture 2018 (launch 15 October)
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IV. CFS EVALUATION - IMPLEMENTATION OF THE RESPONSE

(For discussion and decision)

The objective of this session is to report to CFS 45 on the follow up to the CFS Independent Evaluation carried out in 2016-17. At CFS 44, the Committee requested the Bureau to finalize and implement the Plan of Action of the CFS Evaluation (CFS 2017/44/Report, Paragraph 36).

The CFS Evaluation: Plan of Action (CFS 2018/45/2) presents the response to all fourteen evaluation recommendations of the CFS Independent Evaluation. It includes the response to the eight recommendations that were endorsed at CFS 44 and the response to the remaining six recommendations (7, 10, 11, 12, 13 and 14) that are presented for endorsement.

The document CFS Evaluation: Implementation of the Response to the Evaluation (CFS 2018/45/3) seeks to clarify or revitalize particular elements of the reform to strengthen CFS as the most inclusive international and intergovernmental platform for food security and nutrition. The report is intended to improve the relevance, effectiveness and efficiency of CFS, stimulating its potential and that of its policy guidelines and recommendations, which are used and applied on a voluntary basis, towards the realization of the CFS vision and better responding to future challenges.

The CFS Evaluation – Overview of the implementation status of the Plan of Action (CFS 2018/45/Inf. 15) provides an overview of the implementation status of the Plan of Action of the Evaluation.

Ms Jiani Tian (China) and Mr Oliver Mellenthin (Germany), who were nominated by the CFS Bureau to co-facilitate the process, will introduce the two background documents for this session. The floor will then be open for interventions.

The Committee will be invited to endorse the two associated decisions.

Background documents:

CFS 2018/45/2	CFS Evaluation: Plan Of Action - with Draft Decision
CFS 2018/45/3	CFS Evaluation: Implementation of the Response to the Evaluation - with Draft Decision
CFS 2018/45/Inf. 15	CFS Evaluation - Overview of the Implementation Status of the Plan of Action

V CRITICAL AND EMERGING ISSUES IN FOOD SECURITY AND NUTRITION - TOWARDS A STRATEGIC MULTI-YEAR PROGRAMME OF WORK 2020-2023

(For discussion and decision)

This session is dedicated to critical and emerging issues in the field of food security and nutrition to feed subsequent discussions on the preparation of future proposals concerning the CFS Multi-Year Programme of Work (MYPoW) for 2020-2023. This agenda item will:

- i) Set the stage for the preparation of the MYPoW 2020-2023 by allowing CFS stakeholders to share views and suggest potential issues to be addressed in the future by CFS. The HLPE note on critical and emerging issues (CFS 2018/45/Inf./17), and other sources such as reports from the Rome-based agencies, FAO, IFAD, WFP and other UN bodies, will inform the discussion. A Chair's Summary will reflect the outcomes of the Plenary discussion;
- ii) Take a decision on the theme of the HLPE report in 2020 on an exceptional basis. A proposal prepared by the CFS Bureau, in collaboration with the Advisory Group, (CFS 2018/45/4), represents the basis for the Plenary discussion leading to the decision on HLPE activities in 2020.

Background documents:

CFS 2018/45/4	HLPE Activities in 2020 – Background information and draft decision
CFS 2018/45/ Inf. 17	HLPE Second Note on Critical and Emerging Issues for Food Security and Nutrition

VI CFS WORKSTREAM UPDATES AND DECISIONS

- a) Endorsement of the Terms of Reference for Policy Guidance on Food Systems and Nutrition

(For discussion and decision)

The objective of this session is to endorse the Terms of Reference for the preparation of the CFS Voluntary Guidelines on Food Systems and Nutrition (CFS 2018/45/6), which will be presented by Mr Khaled El-Taweel (Egypt), Chair of the Open Ended Working Group (OEWG) on Nutrition.

In line with the indications provided by the CFS Plenary in 2017, these Terms of Reference provide the parameters that will guide the steps of the process leading to the finalization of the Voluntary Guidelines in 2020.

The Terms of Reference are the result of an intense and inclusive process which saw the participation of a high number of interested stakeholders. They suggest to follow a comprehensive and systemic approach to food systems, building on the evidence provided in the HLPE report, aiming at addressing the existing policy fragmentation between the food, agriculture and health sectors.

The draft decision (CFS 2018/45/5) for the CFS Plenary to consider and endorse makes reference to the importance to implement an inclusive process and encourages all CFS stakeholders to actively participate to the preparation of the Voluntary Guidelines.

At CFS 45, CFS Members and stakeholders are expected to provide their views regarding the elements outlined in the document with a view to feeding future discussions towards the preparation of the Voluntary Guidelines.

Background documents:

CFS 2018/45/5	CFS Workstream on Food Systems and Nutrition – Draft Decision
CFS 2018/45/6	Terms of Reference for the preparation of the CFS Voluntary Guidelines on Food Systems and Nutrition

b) [CFS and the 2030 Agenda: Contributions to the High Level Political Forum](#)
(For discussion and decision)

As part of its decision to put the achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) at the centre of its work, CFS contributes to the global follow-up and review of progress on SDGs by sending inputs to the High Level Political Forum (HLPF) when relevant. This agenda item seeks to discuss the outcomes of the 2018 HLPF and how CFS can strengthen its support to countries and accelerate its impact going forward.

The 2018 HLPF review was held under the theme *“Transformation towards sustainable and resilient societies”* on 9-18 July 2018 in New York, and focused on in-depth reviews of SDGs 6, 7, 11, 12, 15 and 17. Members and stakeholders are invited to discuss the outcomes of the HLPF review which CFS supported with a contribution developed through inclusive processes and activities. Among these outcomes, the Committee is also invited to consider the ministerial declaration coming out of the HLPF, and discuss how CFS, through increased engagement and coordination and other activities, can further accelerate the commitment of countries.

This reflection will be followed by a discussion to agree on the Committee’s contribution to the 2019 review with the theme *“Empowering people and ensuring inclusiveness and equality”*. Members and stakeholders are invited to consider how to reverse the negative trends on hunger and malnutrition by stressing the interlinkages between CFS policy guidance and SDGs 4, 8, 10, 13, 16 and 17. The discussion is supported by a draft outline document prepared through an inclusive process facilitated by Mr. Willem Olthof (European Union) and submitted to the Committee for discussion and decision.

Finally, CFS Members and stakeholders will be asked to agree on the process to prepare, in 2019, the contribution to the 2020 HLPF based on the UN General Assembly resolution on follow-up and review arrangements for the next HLPF cycle.

Background documents:

CFS 2018/45/7	CFS Draft Contribution to the 2019 High Level Political Forum on Sustainable Development Global Review
CFS 2018/45/8	CFS and the 2030 Agenda: Contributions to the High Level Political Forum - Draft Decision

c) Promoting Accountability and Sharing of Best Practices

(For discussion and decision)

The OEWG on Monitoring was chaired by Ms. Anne-Marie Moulton (South Africa). The mandate of the OEWG in 2018 was to prepare for the Global Thematic Event on monitoring the use and application of the *Voluntary Guidelines to Support the Progressive Realization of the Right to Adequate Food in the Context of National Food Security* at CFS 45 and of events organized for monitoring other CFS policy recommendations.

The session aims at:

- Defining the roles and responsibilities for the organization of Global Thematic Events and other ad hoc events to monitor other CFS policy recommendations, considering the relevance and potential contribution of monitoring these recommendations to the global food security and nutrition agenda and resource availability;
- Deciding on the organization of an event in 2019 for monitoring other CFS policy recommendations during CFS 46 (subject to resource availability), the focus of the event and the roles and responsibilities for the preparation of the event; **(Decision to be made by the Bureau 25 Sept)**
- Identifying the roles and responsibilities for preparation of a proposal for improving existing activities and developing new activities for promoting accountability and sharing best practices at all levels, as per paragraph 10 of Annex C of the document CFS Evaluation: Implementation of the Response to the Evaluation CFS 2018/45/3; **(Decision to be made by the Bureau 25 Sept)**

The Committee is invited to endorse the draft decision for promoting accountability and sharing of best practices. This will establish the roles and responsibilities for the organization of Global Thematic Events and other ad hoc events to monitor other CFS policy recommendations in the future. It will also define the focus of the event to be held during CFS 46 in 2019 to monitor other CFS policy (TBC) and guide preparation of a proposal for improving existing activities and developing new activities for promoting accountability and sharing best practices at all levels, as per paragraph 10 of Annex C of the document CFS 2018/45/3 **(Decision to be made by the Bureau 25 Sept).**

Background documents:

CFS 2018/45/9	Promoting Accountability and Sharing of Best Practices – with Draft Decision
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d) Other documents under Workstream Updates and Decisions

The following documents are also included under this agenda item:

CFS 2018/45/Inf.16	CFS Communication Strategy 2020 – 2023
CFS 2018/45/Inf.18	CFS Annual Progress Report 2018

VII GLOBAL THEMATIC EVENT ON THE RIGHT TO FOOD GUIDELINES

(For information and discussion)

At CFS 44, the Committee agreed to hold a Global Thematic Event to take stock of the use and application of the Voluntary Guidelines to support the Progressive Realization of the Right to Adequate Food in the Context of National Security (the Guidelines) in Plenary at CFS 45.

The objectives of the Global Thematic Event are to:

- Foster the adoption, adaptation and scaling up of good practices and learning from experiences in implementing the Guidelines
- Monitor progress (quantitatively and qualitatively) in implementing the Guidelines at national, regional and global levels
- Draw lessons to improve the relevance and effectiveness of CFS work, including for the achievement of food security and nutrition national goals
- Increase awareness and understanding of CFS and the Guidelines.

CFS stakeholders were invited to contribute inputs to inform the Global Thematic Event. A total of 56 submissions were received, of which 15 document the results of multistakeholder events organized at national, regional or global level to share experiences and good practices in line with the “Terms of reference to share experiences and good practices in applying CFS decisions and recommendations through organizing events at national, regional and global levels” (CFS 2016/43/7)

This session will open with keynote addresses by Ms. Hilal Elver, UN Special Rapporteur on the Right to Food and Ms. Livia Pomodoro, UNESCO University Chair on the Right to Food. This will be followed by a panel discussion moderated by Mr. Michael Windfuhr, Deputy Director, German Institute for Human Rights. Panelists will be invited to share their experiences with special attention to the challenges met, results obtained, good practices, and how the Terms of Reference for holding events have contributed to making their experience successful. The panelist from the CFS Civil Society Mechanism will present an analysis of the use and application of the Guidelines globally.

CFS Members and stakeholders are invited to ask the panelists questions and comment on the presentations based on their own experiences. The moderator will summarize the session, focusing on progress made in implementing the Guidelines and in achieving their main objectives, including successes, limitations, challenges and good practices.

The CFS Chair, will close the event and present the conclusions that will be forwarded to the Drafting Committee.

Background documents:

CFS 2018/45/Inf.19	Experiences and Good Practices in the Use and Application of the Voluntary Guidelines to Support the Progressive Realization of the Right to Adequate Food in the Context of National Food Security - Summary and Key Elements
CFS 2018/45/Inf.20	Global Thematic Event on the Voluntary Guidelines to Support the Progressive Realization of the Right to Adequate Food in the Context of National Food Security: Session Guidelines
CFS 45 web page	Compilation of Experiences and Good Practices in the Use and Application of the Voluntary Guidelines to Support the Progressive Realization of the Right to Adequate Food in the Context of National Food Security – Summary and Key Elements (in original language)

VIII THE HIGH LEVEL PANEL OF EXPERTS REPORT ON MULTISTAKEHOLDER PARTNERSHIPS TO FINANCE AND IMPROVE FOOD SECURITY AND NUTRITION IN THE FRAMEWORK OF THE 2030 AGENDA

(for discussion and decision)

The 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and the Addis Ababa Action Agenda encouraged the use of multistakeholder partnerships (MSPs) to complement the efforts of national governments and intergovernmental organizations in ending hunger and poverty and achieving sustainable development. In this context, MSPs are gaining traction, as a part of a new approach to governance, and as a topic for research. Yet, evidence and data are still limited and quickly evolving. This report highlights transparency and accountability as key conditions to align MSPs' work with the progressive realization of the right to adequate food to better use existing resources for food security and nutrition, and sustainable development and potentially attract new resources.

Following the launch of the HLPE report on "Multistakeholder Partnerships to finance and improve food security and nutrition in the framework of the 2030 Agenda" held in June 2018, the objective is to analyze the relevant areas of the Report, including the suggested set of criteria to assess MSPs, and discuss the CFS follow-up process.

The HLPE Project Team Leader, Mr. Moraka Nakedi Makhura, will provide an overview of the main policy relevant areas outlined in the report which can help define the follow-up process to be implemented in the context of CFS.

This will be followed by an open discussion where CFS Members and stakeholders are encouraged to contribute their views.

Following the discussion the HLPE Chair and HLPE Project Team Leader will present their conclusions.

Background documents:

CFS 2018/45/Inf.21	Multi-stakeholder partnerships to finance and improve food security and nutrition in the framework of the 2030 Agenda
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IX GOOD PRACTICES AND LESSON SHARING

(for information and discussion)

a) Food Systems and Nutrition

The purpose of this session is to share experiences of multi-sectoral policies and programmes integrating nutrition concerns into relevant interventions as well as concrete instruments to build policy coherence between and across sectoral policies.

The format of this session is an inclusive panel discussion made up of representatives of Member Countries, civil society and the private sector. It will be moderated by Ms Anna Lartey, Director of the Nutrition and Food Systems Division of FAO. Panelists will be asked to present examples and lessons of the interlinkages between nutrition and the five SDGs under review in 2018 - SDGs 6, 7, 11, 12, 15 and 17.

The session will benefit from the outcomes of the Expert Group Meeting held in New York in June 2018 and represents an opportunity to look at potential entry points and at the relation of nutrition with specific SDGs.

The discussion will be framed in the context of the ongoing CFS policy convergence developing the Terms of Reference for the preparation of the CFS Voluntary Guidelines on Food Systems and Nutrition (see Agenda Item VIa above). The outcomes of this discussion could inform and provide inputs for this process.

Background documents:

CFS 2018/45/Inf./22	Food Systems and Nutrition: Good Practices and Lesson Sharing: Session rollout
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b) CFS and the Agenda 2030

National governments who participated in the 2018 HLPF Voluntary National Reviews (VNRs) in New York were invited to send CFS inputs related to food security, nutrition and sustainable agriculture, ideally prepared in conjunction with national stakeholders.

In an interactive discussion moderated by Mr. Amir Abdulla, Deputy Executive Director, WFP, representatives of countries that sent in contributions will be asked to briefly share their experiences on key national strategies and first results, as well as bottlenecks, policy gaps, and lessons learned so far.

CFS Members and stakeholders will then be encouraged to respond or complement what they hear to create a dialogue identifying good practices and challenges to address.

The outcomes of the session can inform future CFS contributions to reviews by the HLPF, and inspire further reflection on how CFS can most effectively support the effort of countries to eradicate hunger and malnutrition.

Background documents:

CFS 2018/45/Inf./23	CFS and the Agenda 2030: Good Practices and Lesson Sharing: Session Rollout
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X. OTHER MATTERS

- a) Arrangements for the CFS 46 in 2019 (*For decision*)
- b) Adoption of Final Report (*For decision*)

The arrangements for CFS 46 in 2018 will be decided and the Final Report of the Session will be adopted. Advance electronic copies of the Final Report will be made available on Friday morning. The link and login information will be provided in Plenary Hall.