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Comments on the Annex of the Evaluation Implementation Report

Annex A - Roles and strategic objectives

On roles 3 and 4, we would like to insist on the fact that CFS, as a committee, also has a role to perform at global level for the aspects ‘facilitating support and advice’ (role 3) and ‘establishment or leveraging on existing multi-stakeholder platforms’ (role 4) as CFS can provide advice, help identifying the expertise or compile and share good experiences for instance.

Annex B – New MYPoW structure and process

We would appreciate if the secretariat could propose a timeline for the preparing phase of the MYPoW, including the discussion on the topics for the 2020 and 2021 HLPE reports on the basis of the HLPE note on crucial emerging issues.

Comments on the core implementation report

Uptake section

Paragraph 9:

9. All roles were recognized to be important and interconnected, jointly contributing to achieving CFS vision, requiring the active involvement of CFS member states and stakeholders at all levels. For the next MYPoW, CFS as a committee will focus its resources on performing Roles 1 (coordination at global level), Role 2 (policy convergence) and Role 5 (promoting accountability and best practices) in a more demand-driven way and with greater efficiency and effectiveness as well as and Role 6 (Global Strategic Framework). CFS as a committee has no capacity to implement or coordinate actions at national and regional levels. Roles 3 (support and advise to countries and regions) and 4 (coordination at national and regional level) will therefore mainly rely on government initiatives possibly in collaboration with RBAs, other UN bodies and other stakeholders that have an implementation and coordination role at national and regional levels. However CFS as a Committee can have a role in facilitating advice regarding recommended approaches to country/regional review, helping for the identification of expertise or compiling and sharing good experiences on establishment or leveraging existing FSN multistakeholder platforms for instance.

Paragraph 14:

14. The new MYPoW preparation process will lead to a more effective prioritization of CFS thematic activities, with expected reduction of resource needs and workload, with the enforcement of the decision that the inclusion of new activities in MYPoW will be subject to concrete indications of resource availability and the volume of planned activities. The selection of activities will be carried out bearing in mind that activities will not start until resources are provided or a clear indication that the resources are in the pipeline. The new process will also contribute to strengthening ownership and commitment of CFS stakeholders in implementing the results of CFS policy work as well as optimizing the use of HLPE inputs to support CFS thematic workstreams. CFS will not engage in more than one major policy negotiation process at a time.

Paragraph 32:

We would like to align the wording of paragraph 32 with the one of the Annex C (paragraph 8) and to move the sentence ‘facilitating advice regarding recommended approaches to country/regional...
review and follow-up of FSN objectives’ to paragraph 9 as it concerns the roles to be performed by CFS.

32. CFS will also promote accountability and share best practices at all levels, including through: follow-up and review of both global and country/region specific FSN situations, trends, progress, challenges and sharing lessons; assessing the effectiveness of CFS and reviewing the use of its policy products and follow-up and review of the use and application of its policy guidelines and CFS outputs to provide recommendations to countries/regions regarding monitoring their FSN objectives; and facilitating advice regarding recommended approaches to country/region review and follow-up of FSN objectives. CFS will continue to hold Global Thematic Events in Plenary every 2 years and to encourage stakeholders to organize national and regional events to support Global Thematic Events.