

General comments:

1. The consultative process and the very rich discussions at both meetings have been very much appreciated. We would like to thank the Chair and the Technical Task Team as well as the CFS Secretariat for their efforts to further improve the Terms of Reference. We very much welcome, that the revised TORs are aiming to adopt a comprehensive and systemic approach to food systems. We are also pleased to see that the quality and relevance of the final product has been set as a strong priority, acknowledging that quick finalisation has much less importance.

2. We would like to highlight the generally agreed main objective to change our food system and make it more sustainable. In order to have a clear picture, it would be essential ***to give due consideration to all positive and negative environmental and social externalities of various food systems***. As we proposed on both consultations and in our previous written comments (submitted on 05.04.2018.), this should be one of the most important ***entry point to the ToR***. This ***true cost accounting*** should be the basis of any further discussions and analysis. Outcomes of relevant studies on these externalities clearly demonstrate the real costs of food. Therefore, these studies should be considered as essential part of the ToR.

Specific comments:

We are happy to note that there is a reference to biodiversity in the new version of the ToRs. At the same time we would also like to stress the need for mentioning the positive and transformative role of agroecology as one of the possible solutions, therefore we support the modification on **paragraph 8** as proposed and submitted by France.

As part of the agroecological approaches, the importance of short food supply chains (including local markets with territorial approach) in **paragraph 18 should be highlighted**. With this regard, we would like to support the French proposal to give due attention to and to tackle power asymmetries within value chains.

We very much appreciate the incorporation of sustainable and diverse production in paragraph 32. We find it necessary to adequately articulate the importance of diverse, fresh (local and seasonal) fruit and vegetable intake in the future document in order to address all forms of malnutrition. Therefore, we would like to echo the request also expressed by others to address in an appropriate way the issue of sustainable diets and the need for diversified food.

We are happy to note the additions on consumer behaviour in paragraph 20 and mentioning nutrition education in paragraph 29. We propose to highlight in paragraph 20 the strong interlinkages between these two, and suggest to add the explicit call for social and behaviour change communication (SBCC) in the same paragraph 20, which includes nutrition education.

We appreciate the improvements of **section II paragraph 11** which are strengthening the gender focus of the future work. However, we would like to stress that it should not be limited to this part of this ToR, but as a cross-cutting issue it has to be mainstreamed in all sections.