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HLPE Steering Committee Members

The following 15 world-renowned experts have been appointed by the Bureau of the UN Committee on World Food Security (CFS) to serve as members of the Steering Committee of the HLPE, from the closure of CFS 46 Plenary session (18 October 2019) until the closure of the CFS 48 Plenary session (October 2021).

Ms Barbara BURLINGAME (New-Zealand)
Ms Jennifer CLAPP (Canada)
Mr Martin COLE (Australia)
Mr Mahmoud EL SOLH (Lebanon)
Ms Mária KADLEČÍKOVÁ (Slovakia)
Mr Bernard LEHMANN (Switzerland)
Mr LI Xiande (China)
Ms Bancy Mbura MATI (Kenya)
Mr William MOSELEY (United States of America)
Ms Nitya RAO (India)
Mr Thomas ROSSWALL (Sweden)
Mr Daniel SARPONG (Ghana)
Mr Kamil SHIDEED (Iraq)
Mr José María SUMPSI VIÑAS (Spain)
Ms Shakuntala THILSTED (Trinidad and Tobago)

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Martin Cole – Chairperson of the Steering Committee



Martin Cole is currently Deputy Director for Agriculture and Food (A&F) within the Commonwealth Science and Industrial Research Organisation (CSIRO), the National Science Agency of Australia. He is an internationally recognised food scientist and accomplished science leader with over 20 years' experience in research management across government, academia and industry. Prior to his current role, he was Director of the U.S. National Centre for Food Safety and Technology (NCFST), an FDA Centre of Excellence, based in Chicago, Illinois.

Professor Cole has published and presented on many aspects of food science including food safety, novel processing and nutritional food security. He has over 15 years' experience with the CODEX Food Hygiene Committee and has frequently been called upon as an expert by organizations such as the World Health Organization (WHO), the Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) as well as the US House of Representatives. He is currently the Chair of the

International Commission on the Microbiological Specifications for Food (ICMSF) and a member of the High Level Panel of Experts (HLPE) to the UN Food Security Committee. He is also a Director with Food Standards Australia New Zealand (FSANZ), Adjunct Professor at the Tasmanian Institute of Agricultural Science, University of Tasmania and a fellow of the International Union of Food Technologies (IUFOST).

Bernard Lehmann – Vice-Chairperson of the Steering Committee



Born in 1954 in a farmer's family in Switzerland. Childhood on the farm, with strong involvement in agricultural practices in the 25 first years of my life.

1973-1984: The time at ETH Zurich for studies and PhD brought a deep insight in agricultural economics, quantitative normative and empiric methods.

1984-1991: The 8 years at Swiss Farmers Union were in the beginning of the globalization in agricultural markets. Opening markets in the Swiss case – with low international competitiveness – is similar to situations in developing countries. The learning process in order to become competitive under local conditions was very hard but rich in new insights about trade, local competitiveness and socioeconomic consequences. I was heavily involved in the creation of an explicit disposition for agriculture in the Swiss constitution (art 104).

1991-2011: The 20 years as full professor at ETH Zurich were a privilege and challenge. Be chosen among best qualified personalities was a privilege. To create a bridge between own basic research, applied research and highly valuable teaching was a challenge, which opened me fantastic collaborations in interdisciplinary and international research and teaching. The teaching activities included an innovative format: yearly workshops at FAO with a class of 25 master students in the field of food security at global and local level. Research projects with international research centres and universities were a highlight of this part of my professional life.

2011-2019: The 8 years as Director General of the Federal Office for Agriculture (FOAG) offer me a new experience in four domains:

- Executive level for Policy making on behalf of the government
- Head of Board of directors of Swiss Agricultural Research (Agroscope)
- Head of the Sector Food and Nutrition of the Federal Office for economic Supply (crisis management)
- State Secretary for agriculture on behalf of the Swiss government in international agricultural affairs (e.g. FAO, SFS, OECD, UN-SDG, bilateral relations with other ministries)

I am the main author of the new art 104a in the Swiss Constitution about food security of Switzerland. The article 104a of the Swiss constitution succeeded in 2017 in a public referendum by 78%.

I am married and father of three children.

Barbara Burlingame



Barbara Burlingame is nutrition scientist with 35 years experience. She is a Professor of Nutrition and Food Systems at Massey University (2016-2018 as full Professor, and part-time Adjunct Professor since January 2019), and an international nutrition consultant. Her qualifications include undergraduate degrees in Nutrition Science and Environmental Toxicology from the University of California, Davis, and a PhD from Massey University. From 1998 through 2014 she worked at FAO as senior officer, chief, deputy director and acting director of the Nutrition Division. Prior to joining FAO, Professor Burlingame spent 11 years as Nutrition Programme Leader at the New Zealand Institute for Crop & Food Research. From 1994-2011 she was the director of the International Network of Food Data Systems (UNU/FAO INFOODS) and for 15 years was editor-in-chief of the Journal of Food Composition and Analysis. Prof Burlingame is the author and editor of hundreds of papers, books, book chapters, UN reports and policy documents in the areas biodiversity for food and nutrition, sustainable diets, traditional food systems of indigenous peoples, food composition, human nutrient requirements, and food policy/regulation. Her current research focus is sustainable diets and food systems in Small Island Developing States. Professor Burlingame is a scientific adviser/board member of several foundations and academies, Specialty Chief Editor of Frontiers in Nutrition and Environmental Sustainability, chair of the IUNS Task Force on Sustainable Diets, Adjunct Professor of Nutrition at Deakin University (Australia), and she served as a member of the HLPE project team on Nutrition and Food Systems.

Jennifer Clapp



Jennifer Clapp is a Canada Research Chair in Global Food Security and Sustainability and Professor in the School of Environment, Resources and Sustainability at the University of Waterloo, Canada. She is an expert on the global governance of problems that arise at the intersection of the global economy, food security, and the natural environment. Her recent research projects examine the political economy of financial actors in food systems, the politics of trade and food security, and corporate concentration in the agrifood sector. She has also researched governance responses to the food crisis, the political economy of food assistance, and global environmental policy. Professor Clapp has published widely across a range of journals and with top presses. Her most recent books include *Speculative Harvests: Financialization, Food, and Agriculture* (with S. Ryan Isakson, Fernwood Press, 2018), *Food*, 2nd Edition (Polity, 2016), *Hunger in the Balance: The New Politics of International Food Aid* (Cornell University Press, 2012), *Paths to a Green World: The Political Economy of the Global Environment*, 2nd Edition (with Peter Dauvergne, MIT Press, 2011), and *Corporate Power in Global Agrifood Governance* (co-edited with Doris Fuchs, MIT Press, 2009). Professor Clapp's research has been recognized with numerous awards, including: Distinguished Scholar award of the Environmental Studies Section of the International Studies Association; Fellow and recipient of the Innis-Gérin Medal for contributions to Social Sciences from the Royal Society of Canada; a Pierre Elliott Trudeau Foundation Fellowship; and the Canadian Association for Food Studies Award for Excellence in Research.

Mahmoud El Solh



Dr Mahmoud El Solh has more than 40 years' experience in agricultural research and development to enhance food security and human and institutional capacity development in the Middle East, North and Eastern Africa, Central and South Asia. He holds a PhD in Genetics from the University of California, Davis, USA. He has been associated with international agricultural research and development in the dry areas since 1972 when he joined the Arid Land Agricultural Development (ALAD) Program of the Ford Foundation in the Near East, the predecessor of the International Centre for Agricultural Research in Dry Areas (ICARDA). He served ICARDA for 28 years in various positions – as Lentil Breeder (1978-80), Regional Food Legume Breeder in North Africa (1986-89), Regional Coordinator of the Nile Valley Regional Program (1990-96), Assistant Director General for International Cooperation (1997-2002) and Director General (2006 – 2016). He served as Associate Professor of Plant Genetics and Breeding at the American University of Beirut in Lebanon between 1980 to 1986. Dr El Solh served for four years (2002 to 2006) as Director of Plant Production and Protection Division at the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO) in Rome, Italy. Currently, Dr El Solh is the Vice Chair of the Steering Committee of the High Level Panel for Food Security and Nutrition of the World Committee for Food Security (HLPE-CFS). Dr. El Solh is the author of more than 120 scientific publications/articles. His contribution to agricultural research and development has been recognized through 18 prestigious awards and honours.

Mária Kadlečíková



Mária Kadlečíková is employed as the Professor at the Slovak University of Agriculture, Nitra, Slovak Republic. She delivers lectures from Strategy management, Agricultural Extension and Environment Management. In 1977 she completed her PhD. studies from Agricultural Economics. She achieved academic title Associated Professor in 1982 and in 2011 academic title Dr. habil. She was also decorated by title Professor h.c. in 2004, and by title Dr.h.c.in 2008. Furthermore, she is the member of the Slovak Agricultural Academy of Science, member of the international Jury for Agrofilm and member of several Editorial Boards of Scientific Journals. She published 18 books from the fields of management, agricultural extension, food security etc. From 1972 she was employed as the Lecturer and later Associated Professor at the Department of Management. In 1985 she was appointed to the function of Vice-rector. From 1993 to 1997 she represented Slovakia as Permanent Representative to FAO and WFP. From July 1997 she was appointed as Director of Agroinstitut. In 1998 she was elected to the Slovak National Council. From 2001 to 2002 she was acting as the Deputy Prime Minister for European Integration. From November 2002 she was appointed as FAO Sub-regional Representative for CEE and from 2007 to 2010 she was in the position of Regional Representative for Europe and Central Asia. From 2017 she is the member of the HLPE Steering Committee.

In 2010, President of Hungary decorated her with Hungarian Civil Cross and in the same year she was decorated with Memorial Medal of Armenian Prime Minister.

Li Xiande



Dr Li Xiande is currently Professor at the Chinese Academy of Agricultural Sciences (CAAS). Dr Li received his Ph.D. in development economics from the École des Hautes Études en Sciences Sociales (ÉHESS) in 2000 (with mention) in Paris and then served as consultant in OECD (Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development) in Paris from 2000 to 2001, subsequently as Post-Doc Researcher in the Institut National de la Recherche Agronomique (INRA) until November 2012. Dr Li has conducted numerous research works as a principal investigator, including projects funded by Chinese Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Affairs, Ministry of Commerce, and by National Natural Science Foundation of China. His research focuses mainly on food security, land management and trade issues. He has published five books and more than 100 academic papers in Chinese and international journals such as Land Use Policy and The Journal of Peasant Studies. Dr Li has been long involved in the food and agricultural policy formulation process, in particular, as a government delegate in the negotiation and consultation of two international instruments (Voluntary Guidelines on the Responsible Governance of Tenure of Land, Fisheries and Forests in the Context of National Food Security (VGGT-CFS) and The Principles for Responsible Investment in Agriculture and Food Systems (RAI-CFS). Since 2007, Dr Li has been involved intensively in the activities related to Sino-African Agricultural Cooperation. He is also a frequent commentator on food security and rural development with China Central Television (CCTV) and China Radio International (CRI).

Bancy Mbura Mati



Prof Bancy Mbura Mati is the Director of the Water Research and Resource Centre (WARREC) and Professor at Jomo Kenyatta University of Agriculture and Technology (JKUAT) in Kenya. She previously worked with ICRISAT (2005-2010) as Principal Scientist and Programme Manager of IMAWESA, an IFAD supported programme that covered 23 countries in eastern and southern Africa. She has also worked (2003-2005) with the International Water Management Institute (IWMI), and with the Ministry of Agriculture - Kenya.

Bancy holds a PhD degree from the Faculty of Agricultural Engineering, Food Production and Rural Land Use; Cranfield University, United Kingdom; MSc in Land and Water Management and BSc in Agricultural Engineering, from University of Nairobi. She is a registered Consulting Engineer (EBK) and registered by NEMA as a Lead Expert in Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA).

Bancy serves on a number of Boards, including the Advisory Committee of United Nations University's UNU-FLORES, the Engineers Board of Kenya (EBK), Kenya Water for Industry Association (KWIA) and FogNet Alliance. She previously served on the Boards of Global Water Partnership (GWP) and National Biosafety Authority (NBA), among others.

Bancy has extensive experience as a consultant, researcher and developed worker, having consulted for national, regional and international organizations (e.g. World Bank, FAO, WFP, IFAD, AGRA, UNDP, ILRI, IWMI, NEPAD, IGAD, MENR). She is widely published (over 140 publications), has made several key-note presentations and produced nine documentary films (one film won 1st Prize awarded by FARA in 2013). She is dedicated to advancing best practices in agriculture, especially water management.

William Moseley



William G. Moseley is a professor of geography, and director of the Food, Agriculture & Society Program, at Macalester College in Saint Paul, MN USA. His research interests include tropical agriculture, food security, and development policy. He is the author of over 80 peer-reviewed articles and books chapters, as well as eight books, including: *Africa's Green Revolution: Critical Perspectives on New Agricultural Technologies and Systems* (2016); *Land Reform in South Africa: An Uneven Transformation* (2015); and *Hanging by a Thread: Cotton, Globalization and Poverty in Africa* (2008). His fieldwork has been funded by the U.S. National Science Foundation and the Fulbright-Hays program. He currently serves as associate editor of *Food Policy* and sits on the editorial boards for the *African Studies Review*, the *African Geographical Review*, the *Geographical Review*, the *Canadian Journal of Development Studies*, and the *AAG Review of Books*. He previously served as co-chair of the 2017 African Studies Association annual meeting, as a national councillor to the American Association of Geographers, and as chair of the political ecology specialty group. In 2013 he won the Media award, and in 2016 the Kwadwo Konadu-Agyemang Distinguished Africa Scholar Award, both from the American Association of Geographers. His essays for the popular press have appeared in outlets such as the *New York Times*, *Washington Post* and *Al-Jazeera English*. Outside of academia, he has worked for organizations such as the Save the Children Fund (UK), the World Bank, the International Livestock Research Institute, and the US Peace Corps.

Nitya Rao



I am currently Professor, Gender and Development at the University of East Anglia, Norwich, United Kingdom. I have worked extensively as a researcher, teacher and advocate in the field of women's rights, employment and education for over three decades. Starting my career as an activist committed to gender equality and women's empowerment, my research interests include exploring the gendered changes in land, agrarian relations and migration patterns amongst marginalised, rural communities, with a view to achieving livelihood security, especially in contexts of climatic variability and economic precarity. I have conducted fine-grained research on households and intra-household dynamics in these contexts to draw out implications for gendered wellbeing, empowerment and justice, with a particular focus on food, nutrition and health security. I have published extensively on these themes in national and international peer-reviewed journals and books. While most of my research is located in South Asia, especially India, I have also worked in Eastern Africa (Kenya and Ethiopia) and Nigeria.

As a teacher, I have helped develop a basic understanding of gender issues amongst both postgraduate and undergraduate students over the last 15 years, supervised over 25 PhD students and mentored several early career researchers, both through research engagement and as editor of an international peer-reviewed journal *Compare* (2010-2016). Given my early grassroots organisational experience, I have consistently engaged with practical interventions on the ground and policy processes at multiple levels. In particular I have participated in several expert group meetings and committees of the United Nations.

Thomas Rosswall



Thomas Rosswall has been instrumental in the development of microbial ecology, both nationally and internationally. His work on carbon and nitrogen cycling has ranged from microcosm studies to the globe and has been able to link deep process understanding to modelling efforts of entire systems at different scales. In this capacity he was centrally involved in the planning and coordination of ecosystem studies in tundra, forest and agricultural systems, in temperate and tropical ecosystems. He has published over 100 refereed scientific papers and edited 12 books.

As a science administrator, he has worked to promote international scientific collaboration that benefits society. The work has focused on bringing together relevant natural and social sciences disciplines in addressing the complex interactions of ecological and social systems. His efforts also include linking scientists in the North to those in the South as well as to stimulate South-South collaboration.

Rosswall has been Rector of SLU and Executive Director of the International Council for Science (ICSU).

Since his retirement in 2009, he has focused on issues of food security and was the first chair of the Climate Change, Agriculture and Food Security (CCAFS) of the CGIAR and member of the Board of the EU Joint Programming Initiative on Agriculture, Food Security and Climate Change (FACCE). He has also worked with methods for evidence based systematic reviews as the first chair of the Mistra Council for Evidence-based Environmental Management (EviEM) within the International Collaboration for Environmental Evidence (CEE). He currently chairs the Scientific Advisory Board of the Swedish International Development Cooperation Agency (Sida).

Daniel Sarpong



Daniel B. Sarpong (PhD) is an Associate Professor and Dean, School of Agriculture, University of Ghana. He was three times the Chair/Head, Department of Agricultural Economics and Agribusiness, University of Ghana between 2006 and 2017. He serves on several Boards and currently is the Chairman, Ethics Committee for Basic and Applied Sciences, University of Ghana. He teaches at the graduate and undergraduate levels in Microeconomics, Macroeconomics, Research Methodology and Statistics, Econometrics, Agricultural Development (Policy) and Environmental Economics. He has undertaken research and extension works at the University of Ghana since September 1998 in food security issues, agriculture-nutrition linkages and provides scientific analysis of socio-economics of agricultural households farming systems and their impacts on the macro-economy. He has over 70 published journal articles, technical publications and other reports. Over two decades, he has supervised PhD, MPhil and Bachelor students for their dissertations. He led the Department in the introduction of two new PhD

Programs: Agribusiness and Agricultural Administration, besides a re-branded PhD in Applied Agricultural Economics and Policy. He has collaborated with others on studies commissioned by CIDA/MoFA; JICA/MoFA; MoFA-RTIMP, ACIDI/VOCA ADVANCE; Centre for International Health, School of Public Health, Boston University/University of Ghana; FAO; DFID/ISSER/World Bank; CAADP-NEPAD, the University of Georgia Global Peanut Product Processing and Marketing, and is currently part of an international research team on Indicators of Affordability of Nutritious Diets in Africa (IANDA)/Changing Access to Nutritious Diets in Africa and South Asia (CANDASA) Project, based at Tufts University, USA.

Kamil Shideed



Dr Kamil Shideed is the former ICARDA's Assistant Director General for International Cooperation and Communications between 2009 and 31 December, 2018. Prior to that and starting in 2005 he was the Director of ICARDA's Social, Economic and Policy Research Program after serving at ICARDA as a senior Natural Resources Economist since 2004.

Before joining ICARDA, Dr Shideed was Professor and Head of Planning and Economic Analysis at the Agricultural Research System and the University of Baghdad in Iraq.

He served as Senior research Fellow at the Agricultural Economics Department, University of Georgia in USA during 1985 - 1989, with research focus on production economics and policy research.

Dr Shideed has a wide range of experience including Agricultural and Natural Resources Economics, Food and Nutritional Security, international agricultural research-for-development, resource mobilization and donor's relations, and partnerships. He has active network with partners in many countries in developed

and developing countries, particularly in West Asia, North Africa, Nile Valley and Sub-Saharan Africa, South Asia, and Central Asia and Caucasus regions.

Dr Shideed received a PhD from Mississippi State University, USA in 1984 in Agricultural Economics. He authored and co-authored over 150 publications and supervised a number of PhD and MSc candidates.

José María Sumpsi Viñas



Dr Sumpsi a national of Spain holds a degree in Agricultural Economics from Polytechnical University of Madrid (UPM), and a Ph.D. in Agricultural Economics from UPM. In 1970 he initiated his academic career as Assistant Professor at the UPM where he is Full Professor since 1983.

Since 18983 to 1986 Dr. Sumpsi was President of the Andalusian Land Reform Institute. In 1996-1997 was member of the Independent Group of Experts convened by the European Commission to a report on the Common Agricultural Policy Reform. Since 2003 to 2006 he worked at the Inter American Development Bank at Headquarters in Washington as rural development expert.

In April 2007 Dr Sumpsi was appointed Assistant Director-General (ADG) of the Agriculture and Consumer Protection Department at FAO Headquarters in Rome. As such he led the creation of the Crisis Management Centre to face plant, animal and food safety crisis in a coordinated way.

In January 2008 Dr Sumpsi was appointed ADG of the Technical Cooperation Department until 31 December 2010, date of retirement. During the Global Food Crisis, he coordinated the design and implementation of the FAO Initiative on Soaring Food Prices. Dr Sumpsi actively participated in FAO and CFS reforms and represented FAO at international bodies and funds as the United Nations High Level Task

Force for Global Food Crisis, the Group of monitoring implementation of L'Aquila G-7 Program for Global Food Security and the Global Agriculture and Food Security Program (GAFSP) a Multi donor Trust Fund at the World Bank.

In 2011 he returned to the UPM where he is conducting research on agricultural and food policy, food security, food market volatility, agriculture mitigation and adaptation to climate change, agriculture and development, bio-economy, food systems and rural development as well as teaching and lecturing on related fields. Since 2016 he is the Head of the Centre of Studies and Research on Agricultural and Environmental Risks Management (CEIGRAM) of the UPM.

Shakuntala Thilsted



Shakuntala Haraksingh Thilsted is Research Program Leader, Value Chains and Nutrition at WorldFish, stationed in Penang, Malaysia. WorldFish is a CGIAR research centre, working towards reducing poverty and hunger through capture fisheries and aquaculture. Her work focusses on nutrition-sensitive fish agri-food systems, in particular the potential of increased production and consumption of nutrient-rich small fish in combating and preventing vitamin and mineral deficiencies in low- and middle-income countries. She works with developing and testing fish-based products for women and children in the first 1,000 days of life. These products can improve dietary diversity and supply multiple, highly bioavailable nutrients which are essential for women's nutrition and health, and optimal growth, development and cognition in children. She collaborates with many government agencies, international and national development partners, researchers, private sector companies and communities to find ways to include fish in investments, policies, programs and interventions for healthy diets as well as a healthy planet. She plays

a pivotal role in promoting the agenda of fish for nourishing nations as well as the importance of the fisheries sector in contributing to achieving the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) in many international, regional and national fora.

The **Committee on World Food Security (CFS)** is the foremost inclusive and evidence-based international and intergovernmental platform for food security and nutrition, where policies can be designed, interventions can be coordinated, options can be shared and decisions at different levels can be prepared.

The **CFS** is inclusive. In addition to member countries, the Committee includes a wider range of organizations working on food security and nutrition, from UN agencies like FAO, IFAD, WFP, the UN Secretary-General's High-Level Task Force on the Global Food Security Crisis and other UN bodies. It also includes the private sector, the civil society and nongovernmental organizations, particularly organizations representing smallholder family farmers, fisher folks, herders, landless, urban poor, agricultural and food workers, women, youth, consumers and indigenous people.

The **CFS** is evidence-based. The **High Level Panel of Experts for Food Security and Nutrition (HLPE)** was created in October 2009 as an essential element of the reform of the **CFS**, as its science-policy interface.

The **HLPE** produces, at **CFS's** request, independent assessments to provide analysis, understanding and advice on urgent policy relevant questions.

HLPE reports serve as a common, comprehensive, evidence-based starting point for intergovernmental and international multi-stakeholder policy debates at **CFS**.

HLPE's links to **CFS** ensures the relevance of its work and its insertion in a concrete political agenda at international level.

The **HLPE** produces its recommendations and advice independently from governmental positions, in order to enrich discussions and debates at **CFS**. The internal process is crafted to guarantee the scientific inclusiveness and the independence of the **HLPE**.

The **HLPE** aims to help **CFS** to better understand the diversity of issues and rationales when dealing with food and nutrition insecurity. It thrives to clarify contradictory information and knowledge, elicit the backgrounds and rationales of controversies, and identify emerging issues. The **HLPE** organizes a scientific dialogue, built upon the diversity of disciplines, backgrounds, knowledge systems, the diversity of its Steering Committee and Project Teams, and open e-consultations.

The **HLPE** is not mandated to conduct new research. The **HLPE** draws its studies based on existing research and knowledge already conducted by various expertise-providing institutions (universities, research institutes, international organizations etc.), and adding value by global, multi-sectoral and multidisciplinary analysis.

HLPE recommendations and studies combine scientific knowledge with experiences from the ground, in a same rigorous process. The **HLPE** translates the richness and variety of forms of expert knowledge from many actors (knowledge of local implementation, knowledge based on global research and knowledge of "best practice") that draw on both local and global sources, into policy-related forms of knowledge.

Key functions of the HLPE, as stated in the CFS reform document (2009)

As directed by the CFS Plenary and Bureau, the HLPE will:

1. Assess and analyze the current state of food security and nutrition and its underlying causes.
2. Provide scientific and knowledge-based analysis and advice on specific policy-relevant issues, utilizing existing high quality research, data and technical studies.
3. Identify emerging issues, and help members prioritize future actions and attentions on key focal areas.

The **HLPE** has a two-tier structure:

- A **Steering Committee** composed of 15 internationally recognized experts in a variety of food security and nutrition related fields. The Steering Committee is appointed by the CFS.
- **Project Teams** acting on a project-specific basis, selected and managed by the StC.

HLPE Steering Committee members and Project Team members participate to the work of the High Level Panel of Experts in their individual capacities and not as representatives of their respective governments, institutions or organizations.

More information about the **HLPE** can be found on its website: www.fao.org/cfs/cfs-hlpe