



COMMITTEE ON WORLD FOOD SECURITY

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"Making a Difference in Food Security and Nutrition"

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ELECTION OF CFS CHAIRPERSON

I. COMMUNICATION FROM THE CFS SECRETARY (PUBLISHED ON THE FAO MEMBERS GATEWAY)

1. The election of a new CFS Chairperson will take place under Item VIII.b of the Provisional Agenda of the 49th Session of the Committee on World Food Security (CFS) scheduled from 11 to 14 October 2021.
2. In accordance with paragraph 4, Rule II, of the CFS Rules of Procedure, the Secretary of CFS wishes to inform Members that the following nominations for the election of CFS Chairperson have been received:
 - **Mr Gabriel Ferrero y de Loma-Osorio, Ambassador-at-Large for Global Food Security, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Spain;**
 - **Mr Médi MOUNGUI, Deputy Permanent Representative of Cameroon to the United Nations Agencies in Rome (FAO, IFAD and WFP)**
3. Pursuant to paragraph 4, Rule II, of the CFS Rules of Procedure, any nomination of candidates reaching the CFS Secretary after the (10 September 2021) deadline of 30 calendar days before the opening date of the session of the Committee on World Food Security (CFS) at which the election of the Chairperson will take place shall not be considered as valid.

Documents can be consulted at www.fao.org

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4. Regarding specific voting modalities on the day of the election (14 October 2021), specific details will be provided in separate communications by the CFS Secretary, pending decisions of the host organization (FAO) and the Government of Italy.

II. CURRICULUM VITAE MR GABRIEL FERRERO Y DE LOMA-OSORIO, AMBASSADOR-AT-LARGE FOR GLOBAL FOOD SECURITY, MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS, SPAIN

Currently serving as Ambassador at Large for Global Food Security at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, European Union and Cooperation of the Government of Spain. Former Director General for Sustainable Development Policies from 2018 to 2021. In this position, he has been lead author and strategist of the 2030 Agenda Implementation Action Plan of Spain, coordinating the Spanish Voluntary National Review at the High Level Political Forum. Lead author of the Spanish Cooperation Joint Response Strategy to COVID-19 pandemic.

He served in the Executive Office of the United Nations Secretary General from 2011 to 2017, including as Coordinator of the UN Secretary-General High Level Task Force on Global Food Security and as Team Leader of the UN Secretary General's Special Representative for Food and Nutrition Security from 2016 to 2017, based in Rome. In this capacity, he was representative of the UN SG at the Advisory Committee of the Committee on World Food Security and at the Steering Committee of the Global Agriculture and Food Security Program. He was part of the Milano Group on Sustainable Food Systems convened by UN SG Ban Ki-Moon in 2015 and made seminal contributions to linking ending hunger, poverty and climate-compatible sustainable food systems.

Senior policy advisor on sustainable development to the UN Secretary General's Special Advisor for the Post2015 Development Agenda Ms Amina J Mohammed from 2012 to 2016, leading on food security, agriculture and food systems, financing and climate change. Renowned as being part of the team facilitating the process leading to the adoption of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, he was instrumental on crafting Ban Ki-Moon's Zero Hunger Challenge and SDG 2.

Before joining the UN, he was Deputy-Director General of Development Policies at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs in Spain from 2007-2010, leading on Spain's global response to the global food crisis. He coordinated the 2009 Madrid High Level Meeting "Food Security for All" and substantially contributed to the reform of the Committee on World Food Security. In this position, he was lead author of the 2009-2012 Spanish Cooperation Master Plan and was instrumental on the set up of the Global Agriculture and Food Security Program (GAFSP), the L'Aquila Food Security Initiative, the UN Fund for the Achievement of the Millennium Development Goals and the "Spanish Fund for Cooperation on Water and Sanitation".

Full time Professor of Development Theory and Planning at the School of Agricultural Engineering and Environment at the Technological University of Valencia UPV (2000-2007) and Director of its Development Cooperation Centre (2004-2007). He founded and coordinated the Development Studies and Applied Ethics Research Group, his research and practice focuses on Sen's Capability Approach, development methodology, climate and sustainable development.

An engineer by training, he holds a nationally awarded Ph. D on development planning and management. He is author or co-author of more than 50 publications including journal research papers,

books, book chapters and op-eds with a focus on rural development, climate and development effectiveness.

With field level experience at project, program and policy levels on agriculture, rural development and renewable energy, in Nicaragua, El Salvador, Guatemala, Morocco, and Argentina, he has been advisor to national and subnational governments, social movements and NGOs on rural development planning, management and sustainable development policies.

III. CURRICULUM VITAE MR MÉDI MOUNGUI, DEPUTY PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF CAMEROON TO THE UNITED NATIONS AGENCIES IN ROME (FAO, IFAD AND WFP)

Agricultural Economist specialized in Planning for Development and Evaluation Methodologies. Thirty-seven years of experience with incremental levels of responsibility at national and international level in the field of development in general, and agriculture and rural development in particular. This includes strategic thinking in Agriculture and Rural Policies for growth Development, Programmes and projects preparation, planning, implementation, management and evaluation at national and international levels. Proven diplomatic Skills and good mastery of the functioning of multilateral and international organizations, including FAO, WFP, IFAD, WHO, OIE, The World Bank, the African Development Bank etc. Experienced Chairperson of international meetings and International Organizations Governing Bodies. Recognized Talent in international negotiations with good communication skills. Extensive experience in the field of financial management and results-based management. People Manager and confirmed leadership with profound knowledge in team building and organizations and systems development and reforms. Dedicated to empowering people through continuous improvement and delegation of authority. Full engagement in partnerships development including with the Private Sector and the Civil Society and committed to South South and Triangular Cooperation.

EXPERIENCE WITH CFS

- Active participation in the negotiations for the development of the voluntary guidelines to support the progressive realization of the right to adequate food in the context of national food security (Africa Regional Group Spokesperson).
- Active participation in the CFS Reform (Africa Regional Group Spokesperson and Group of the Friend of the Chair facilitator).
- Active participation in the development of Principles for Responsible Investment in Agriculture and Food Systems.
- Active participation in the intergovernmental negotiations on the voluntary guidelines on responsible governance of land, fisheries and forestry in the context of national food security.
- Contributed in the development of the Global Strategic Framework for Food Security and Nutrition.
- Significant contribution as Africa Regional Group Spokesperson in the negotiations on the elaboration of the voluntary guidelines on the principles for responsible investment in agriculture and agrarian systems (Committee on world food security).

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- Active participation in the negotiations of Voluntary Guidelines on Food Systems and Nutrition (VGFSyN).
 - Participated in the development of the CFS Framework for Action for Food Security and Nutrition in Protracted Crises.
 - Contributed in all CFS Policy Recommendations.
 - Very conversant with all CFS Products.