



COMMITTEE ON WORLD FOOD SECURITY
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GUIDELINES FOR PRESENTATIONS REGIONAL INITIATIVES FOR FOOD SECURITY AND NUTRITION

1. Objectives

This item will discuss how ongoing regional initiatives on food security and nutrition can maximize synergies with the reformed CFS.

This item is expected to have the following outcomes:

- Identification of goals, achievements and lessons learnt from regional food security and nutrition strategies
- Identification of regional priorities for attention of CFS including outcomes of FAO regional conferences
- Identification of effective and practical mechanisms for the coordination of regional initiatives; how regional initiatives and CFS can work together.

2. Discussion topics

Presenters are encouraged to develop succinct and focused presentations drawing from the guiding questions provided below:

- What are the key features of existing regional initiatives ? How do these initiatives contribute to global as well as to country-owned food security and nutrition strategies? How effective have they been?
- What are the main challenges, best practices and lessons learnt from the coordination of regional initiatives that a partnership with the CFS can build upon?
- How can synergies among the reformed CFS and regional initiatives be maximized to ensure greater coherence in global food security and nutrition governance?

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3. Process

The Chair will open discussions, invite the presenters to speak and will summarise the major points and recommendations coming from the session. The discussions will be divided into two parts:

1. The first part will include presentations, providing brief responses to the questions above. Each presentation should last approximately 10 minutes. The overall time for presentations should not exceed 50 minutes to allow sufficient time for discussion
2. The second part will include an open floor discussion where participants will ask questions and share their views on the initiatives presented. Interventions therefore should be brief, to the point and should focus on contributing to recommendations based on knowledge, best practices and lessons learnt.