

CFS draft outline contribution to the  
2019 High Level Political Forum on Sustainable Development global  
review

*“Empowering people and ensuring inclusiveness and equality”*

In depth-review of SDGs 4, 8, 10, 13, 16, 17

**The Committee on World Food Security**

The Committee on World Food Security (CFS)’s vision is to be the foremost inclusive international and intergovernmental platform for a broad range of committed stakeholders to work together in a coordinated manner in support of country led processes towards the elimination of hunger and ensuring food security and nutrition for all human beings. The CFS will strive for a world free from hunger where countries implement the Voluntary Guidelines to support the progressive realization of the right to adequate food in the context of national food security. The unique features of the reformed CFS include expanded participation rules and a specific science-policy interface. CFS’ inclusive policy making processes ensure that the voices of all relevant stakeholders, particularly those most affected by food insecurity and malnutrition, are heard in the food and agriculture<sup>1</sup> policy dialogue. The High-Level Panel of Experts (HLPE) on Food Security and Nutrition provides independent evidence-based reports to inform and support policy discussions.

*[Placeholder for CFS submission to top level event at UNGA in 2019, pending additional information from New York*

*Maximum 1 page – Overarching message: we continue moving backwards against Zero-Hunger Challenge and the elimination of all forms of malnutrition. Reversing these trends will require greater focus on conflict resolution, sustainable food systems and investing in rural areas]*

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<sup>1</sup>The term “agriculture” includes crops, livestock, forestry, fisheries and aquaculture.

## “Executive summary” section

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- *Introductory paragraphs on FSN situation (SOFI 2018 and other reports);*
- *Short overview of nexus issues between SDG2 and each SDG under review in 2019*

Key messages:

- ***Investing responsibly in agriculture and food systems is essential to sustainable and inclusive economic growth, employment and decent work for all. (#8)***
- ***Building inclusive rural economies and fostering sustainable agricultural practices increases resilience and adaptability to climate change for all, particularly the most vulnerable. (#13)***
- ***Promoting equal opportunities for smallholders, as well as empowering women and youth, contributes to addressing rural inequalities. (#10)***
- ***The full realization of the right to adequate food is a precondition for stable and peaceful societies. (#16)***
- ***[Placeholder for key message arising from the HLPE report on “Multi-stakeholder Partnerships to Finance and Improve Food Security and Nutrition in the Framework of the 2030 Agenda”] (#17)***

*Are we moving forward towards people’s empowerment and inclusive, equal societies in 2030?*

*Findings of SOFI 2018 and other reports*

*Concrete recommendations from CFS*

*Key messages*

**1. *Investing responsibly in agriculture and food systems is essential to sustainable and inclusive economic growth, employment and decent work for all. (#8)***

- CFS-RAI
- Connecting smallholders to markets
- Sustainable agriculture + livestock (CFS 43)
- VGGT
- Investing in smallholder agriculture for food security (CFS40)
- How to increase food security and smallholder sensitive investments in agriculture (CFS 37)

2. ***Building inclusive rural economies and fostering sustainable agricultural practices increases resilience and adaptability to climate change for all, particularly the most vulnerable. (#13)***

- CFS-RAI
- FSN and Climate change (CFS 39)
- Sustainable agriculture + livestock (CFS 43)

3. ***Promoting equal opportunities for smallholders, as well as empowering women and youth, contributes to addressing rural inequalities (#10)***

- Gender, food security and nutrition (CFS 37)
- Connecting smallholders to markets
- VGGT
- CFS work on nutrition and food systems (ongoing)

4. ***The full realization of the right to adequate food is a precondition for stable and peaceful societies (#16)***

- Right to Food Guidelines
- FFA
- VGGT

5. ***[Placeholder for key message arising from the HLPE report on “Multi-stakeholder Partnerships to Finance and Improve Food Security and Nutrition in the Framework of the 2030 Agenda”]***

Highlight SDG 2 and the implementation partnership that CFS itself represents, ref. Evaluation report

*Annex: CFS reference documents*