

CFS MYPoW FIRST OPEN MEETING

25 January 2019 - 9.30-12.30 and 14.00-17.00 – Green Room, FAO

OUTCOMES

1. The purpose of the CFS MYPoW First Open Meeting was to have an initial discussion on the Preliminary Proposals concerning CFS thematic workstreams, primarily associated with outputs 1.1 (inclusive discussions) and 2.1 (global policy guidance).
2. A total of twelve proposals for potential thematic workstreams were presented. The meeting was an opportunity for the proponents to get initial feedback, identify potential linkages and points of convergence with other preliminary proposals, and expand the base of supporters of their proposals. To this end, two “clusters” of proposals, one on Youth and another on Inequalities were identified.
3. Proponents belonging to the two identified clusters on Youth and Inequalities were encouraged to work together with a view to presenting a joint proposal on each subject matter by 11 February. The final version of the revised proposals will have to be ready by 15 February for circulation as background documents for the Bureau and Advisory Group meeting on 4 March.
4. The CFS Chair highlighted the collegial atmosphere of the meeting and the constructive attitude of the participants, all of which contributed to a substantive, in-depth discussion of all proposals. The efficiency of the new streamlined MYPoW process resulting from the follow-up to the CFS Evaluation was also highlighted, as well as the quality and relevance of the proposals discussed during the day. For context, it was recalled that, in the past, at a similar juncture in the process, CFS stakeholders had to sort through many more proposals - in the order of hundreds - and that it took well over a year of work to bring the number down.
5. The CFS Chair (as per the appended slide) illustrated the milestones and next steps for the preparation of the CFS MYPoW 2020-2023 process. The Chair also announced the launching of a written feedback form (*'non-survey'*) to be circulated among CFS stakeholders through the following link: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/BVCQWF3> expecting responses up until 11 February 2019. CFS stakeholders were encouraged to share this link within their constituencies and other members of their regional groups.
6. The background documents for the Bureau and Advisory Group meeting of 4 March will include: (i) the revised list of potential thematic workstreams, including indications on priorities provided through the written feedback, and (ii) the list of supportive activities that could be carried over from this biennium. In addition, the CFS Secretariat will prepare an annotated version of the MYPoW workplan.

PREPARATION OF THE CFS MULTI-YEAR PROGRAMME OF WORK

Phase 1 – Preparation of preliminary proposals

Template for preliminary proposals + Chair’s summary and verbatim of the CFS 45 Session on Critical and Emerging Issues are circulated among CFS stakeholders	5 November
Preliminary proposals submitted by CFS stakeholders	4 January
First open meeting	25 January

Phase 2 – Prioritization

Written feedback on preliminary proposals to be provided by CFS stakeholders	By 11 February
Bureau and Advisory Group meeting to discuss feedback received on thematic workstreams and preliminary list of supporting activities	4 March
Bureau meeting to finalize list of prioritized thematic workstreams and supporting activities	6 March
Zero draft of the MYPoW is circulated to CFS Stakeholders	Early April
Second open meeting	17 April

Phase 3 – Selection

Bureau and Advisory Group meeting to discuss the outcomes of the second open meeting	14 May
Bureau meeting to consolidate draft MYPoW	17 May
Written feedback on the First draft of the MYPoW to be provided by CFS stakeholders	By 24 May
Bureau and Advisory Group meeting to discuss feedback received	3 June
Bureau meeting to finalize MYPoW proposal for endorsement by Plenary	7 June

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