

FAO supports the revised First Draft of the MYPOW process and we offer the following comments to further strengthen and sharpen the proposals.

- We welcome the new proposals on “Reducing inequalities for food security and nutrition” and “Data collection and analysis”. One suggestion for 2.1.5 regarding the “Data collection and analysis” is to consider changing the title to better reflect the objectives as outlined in the proposal. Something like “Challenges and Opportunities for evidence-based decision making in FSN”. Data collection and analysis are only one of the important aspects, but the proposal also highlights the barriers, benefits, ensuring inclusivity and policy implications of strengthening the evidence base to better inform decision-making. This would also lend itself better to the mandate of CFS and as a research topic for the HLPE.
- Regarding 2.1.3: Gender equality and women’s empowerment, we suggest changing slightly the wording in the last bullet, beginning with “expand on the following items”. Rather than “expand on”, we suggest something like “[build upon] or [prioritize among] the following themes those most relevant in the context of CFS”. As shared during the open meetings, many of these sub-themes are complex and broad and it will be important to review and clearly identify what is the problem being addressed, and what are the most relevant components that can be tackled in the context/comparative advantage of CFS. We also suggest including the following text: The workstream and the VGs will capitalize on the EU funded project being jointly implemented by the three Rome-Based Agencies on ‘Scaling up gender transformative approaches to end hunger, achieve food security and improved nutrition, and promote sustainable agriculture’. The lessons learnt and the knowledge generated by the joint project will feed into the VGs.
- Regarding B2.3: Communication/Outreach and resource mobilization, we suggest inserting a short final paragraph regarding resource mobilization, to further articulate that the MYPOW and resource mobilization strategy should go hand-in-hand. Adapted text from the Implementation Report (CFS 2018/45/3) could be considered, such as,

*Para 34. A robust resource mobilization strategy will help support the Plenary and workstreams, the HLPE and the CSM to support CFS priorities as identified in the MYPoW with clear safeguards, in line with FAO guidelines, to prevent potential conflicts of interest regarding funding. Continued efforts will be made to expand and diversify the financing base, including by reaching out to CFS Member States, private foundations and the private sector, and financial institutions.*