

## Rules for youth participation in the policy convergence process

Youth organizations that are interested in actively participating in the preparation of CFS policy recommendations on youth can do so and provide their inputs in the course of the consultation phase that will end with the release of a first draft for negotiations in mid-April.

Youth organizations can participate in negotiations, scheduled for May and July 2022, through existing categories of CFS Participants mentioned below, as outlined in paragraph 11 of the 2009 CFS Reform Document, and based on past experience with previous CFS policy workstreams:

- a) UN agencies and other UN bodies;
- b) Civil society and non-governmental organizations;
- c) International agricultural research institutions;
- d) International and regional financial institutions;
- e) Private sector associations and philanthropic foundations.

## **Proposed guidance for enhanced youth engagement in the CFS policy convergence process**

1. Encourage CFS stakeholders to include youth representatives at all stages of the CFS Youth policy convergence process, to provide inputs and share their perspectives and experiences.
2. Encourage CFS stakeholders, including the CFS Secretariat, Rapporteur and all CFS Members and Participants involved in the OEWG, to engage in stronger, more innovative and more interactive outreach with youth groups and active and regular information-sharing on the progress of this policy convergence process.