

## Call for Inputs - CFS Policy Convergence workstream on "Building Resilient Food Systems"

SWITZERLAND: Priority issues to be addressed during the CFS policy convergence process

The CFS policy convergence process should build on the HLPE report, including the recommendations.

The CFS policy convergence process should address:

- All <u>three dimensions of sustainability</u> environmental, social and economic individually and in a balanced manner.
- <u>Diversity and local resilience</u>: Switzerland calls for policies that strengthen local and support diversified food systems across inputs, production, markets, and actors.
- Equality and the Right to Food: Resilient food systems must be rooted in a human rights-based approach. Switzerland emphasizes the importance of reducing inequalities and enhancing social inclusion particularly for women, youth, Indigenous Peoples and the most vulnerable.
- <u>Environmental sustainability and climate change:</u> The policy recommendations should address climate change adaptation and mitigation, the sustainable use of biodiversity, land degradation neutrality and water scarcity and pollution.
- <u>Inclusive governance</u>: Switzerland supports multi-level, multi-sectoral and multi-actor collaboration and governance mechanisms that ensure coordination, transparency, and meaningful participation of all stakeholders.
- Humanitarian-development-peace linkages should be reinforced to rebuild resilient food systems in fragile and conflict-affected settings to address the impact of crises and conflicts on food systems. Switzerland underlines the need for policies that strengthen food systems' capacity to prevent, absorb, and recover from shocks caused by conflicts, pandemics, and other crises.

Furthermore, the policy recommendations should address topics such as: agency; gender equality and gender transformative approaches; the respect of legitimate tenure rights; responsible investments, financing for resilient food systems and the required enabling environment; sustainable trade and market stability; data and data governance; research; and monitoring and accountability.

<u>Agroecological approaches</u> have proven to be effective and offer a good solution to tackle all these interconnected challenges and to build resilient food systems. Agroecological approaches should feature prominently as an important solution for resilient food systems.