

Timekeeping and high-level participation

CFS plenary sessions provide the opportunity for meaningful dialogue and interaction among stakeholders, including the space for delegation heads to orally present their formal statement to the open plenary session, or in writing if they prefer. Delegates are asked to keep their interventions succinct (three minutes or less unless presented by a Minister or constituency delegation head or on behalf of an entire regional group) and relevant to the item under discussion. Lengthy formal statements are not anticipated, but presentations longer than the apportioned time can be shared electronically by the CFS Secretariat and posted on its public website. A traffic light system will be in place to help delegates manage their time allocations.

All delegates are requested to email their statements to cfs@fao.org, at least 1 hour before the session, so they can be shared with the interpreters for interpretation in FAO's six official languages, and to be posted in the Statements section of the CFS 50 web page (in their original language).

In the event that a Member delegation will include senior-level participation such as a Minister, Vice Minister, State Secretary (or equivalent), they should inform the Secretariat in order for that delegation head to be given priority protocol consideration on the Speakers List.

I. ORGANIZATIONAL MATTERS

- a) Adoption of the Agenda and Timetable (for decision)
- b) Membership of the Committee (for information)
- c) Drafting Committee composition (for decision)

Background documents:

- CFS 2022/50/XX – CFS 50 Provisional Agenda (this document)
- CFS 2022/50/XX – CFS 50 Provisional Timetable
- CFS 2022/50/Inf.XX – Guide to CFS 50
- CFS 2022/50/Inf.XX – Membership
- CFS 2022/50/XX – Guide to the preparation of the CFS 50 Final Report

II. THE STATE OF FOOD SECURITY AND NUTRITION IN THE WORLD 2022. THE IMPACTS AND POLICY IMPLICATIONS OF COVID-19 AND CONFLICT (for information and discussion)

- a) Opening statements by the following, or their delegates (which will be posted on the CFS 50 Session document webpage):
 - The UN Secretary-General;
 - The CFS Chairperson;
 - The Director-General, Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO);

- The President, International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD);
 - The Executive Director, World Food Programme (WFP);
 - The Chair of the High-Level Panel of Experts (HLPE) Steering Committee.
 - The Presidents of the General Assembly and ECOSOC
- b) Presentation of the State of Food Security and Nutrition in the World 2022, and discussion of impact and policy implications of COVID-19 and conflict, followed by delegate statements.

Background documents:

- CFS 2022/50/XX – State of Food Security and Nutrition in the World 2022. The impacts and policy implications of COVID-19 and conflict – Draft Conclusions
- CFS 2022/50/Inf.XX – The State of Food Security and Nutrition in the World 2022

III. EMPOWERING WOMEN AND GIRLS AND PROMOTING GENDER EQUALITY. ENDORSEMENT AND UPTAKE OF THE CFS VOLUNTARY GUIDELINES ON GENDER EQUALITY AND WOMEN’S AND GIRLS’ EMPOWERMENT IN THE CONTEXT OF FOOD SECURITY AND NUTRITION (for decision)

The final version of the CFS Voluntary Guidelines on Gender Equality and Women’s and Girls Empowerment in the context of Food Security and Nutrition, resulting from an inclusive multi-stakeholder negotiation process within an Open-Ended Working Group, will be presented for consideration and endorsement by CFS Plenary. The session will also provide an opportunity for a discussion on the overall negotiation process, highlights of the most significant elements of the draft text, and the opportunities presented for advancing and accelerating the uptake and implementation of the Voluntary Guidelines at global, regional, country, and local levels.

Background documents:

- CFS 2022/50/XX – The CFS Voluntary Guidelines on Gender Equality and Women’s and Girls Empowerment in the context of Food Security and Nutrition
- CFS 2022/50/XX – The CFS Voluntary Guidelines on Gender Equality and Women’s and Girls Empowerment in the context of Food Security and Nutrition – Draft Decision

IV. CFS STRATEGIC DIRECTION TOWARD 2030 (for discussion and decision)

- a) Critical and Emerging Issues for Food Security and Nutrition (for discussion)
- b) Update of the Rolling Section of the CFS MYPoW 2020-2023 (for decision)
- c) Theme of the HLPE Report 2024 (for decision)

Background documents:

- CFS 2022/50/XX - Critical and Emerging Issues for Food Security and Nutrition – Draft Conclusions

- CFS 2022/50/Inf.XX – Third HLPE Note on Critical and Emerging Issues for Food Security and Nutrition
- CFS 2022/50/Inf.XX – Annex B of the CFS Implementation Report on the new MYPoW structure and process
- CFS 2022/50/XX – CFS MYPoW 2020-2023 Update of the Rolling Section – with Draft Decision
- CFS 2022/50/XX – Theme of the HLPE report for 2024 – with Draft Decision
- CFS 2022/50/Inf.XX – CFS Annual Progress Report 2022

V. EMPOWERING YOUTH IN INCLUSIVE AND SUSTAINABLE FOOD SYSTEMS. ENDORSEMENT AND UPTAKE OF THE CFS POLICY RECOMMENDATIONS ON PROMOTING YOUTH ENGAGEMENT AND EMPLOYMENT IN AGRICULTURE AND FOOD SYSTEMS (for decision)

The final version of the CFS Policy Recommendations on Promoting Youth Engagement on Promoting Youth Engagement and Employment in Agriculture and Food Systems, resulting from an inclusive multi-stakeholder negotiation process within an Open-Ended Working Group, will be presented for consideration and endorsement by CFS Plenary. The session will also provide an opportunity for a discussion on the overall negotiation process, highlights of the most significant elements of the draft text, and the opportunities presented for advancing and accelerating the uptake and implementation of the Policy Recommendations at global, regional, country, and local levels.

Background documents:

- CFS 2022/50/XX – CFS Policy Recommendations on Promoting Youth Engagement and Employment in Agriculture and Food Systems
- CFS 2022/50/XX – CFS Policy Recommendations on Promoting Youth Engagement and Employment in Agriculture and Food Systems – Draft Decision

VI. DATA COLLECTION AND ANALYSIS TOOLS (for discussion)

- a) Presentation of the HLPE Report on Data Collection and Analysis Tools;
- b) CFS stakeholders will be given the opportunity to provide feedback and inputs on the content of the report in view of the CFS policy convergence process on Data Collection and Analysis Tools.

Background documents:

- CFS 2022/50/XX – Data Collection and Analysis Tools – Draft Conclusions
- CFS 2022/50/Inf.XX – HLPE Report (2022) on Data Collection and Analysis Tools

VII. BOOSTING RESPONSIBLE INVESTMENT IN SUSTAINABLE AGRICULTURE AND FOOD SYSTEMS. GLOBAL THEMATIC EVENT ON THE CFS PRINCIPLES FOR RESPONSIBLE INVESTMENT IN AGRICULTURE AND FOOD SYSTEMS (for information and discussion)

CFS stakeholders will discuss the current status of responsible investments in agriculture in the context of the Financing for Development agenda, with a view to identifying progress and gaps and key levers for mobilizing private and public responsible investments. The session provides an opportunity to take stock of the use and application of the CFS Principles for Responsible Investment in Agriculture and Food Systems.

Background documents:

- CFS 2022/50/XX – Global Thematic Event on the CFS Principles for Responsible Investment in Agriculture and Food Systems – Draft Conclusions
- CFS 2022/50/Inf.XX - CFS Principles for Responsible Investment in Agriculture and Food Systems
- CFS 2022/50/Inf.XX - Monitoring the use and application of CFS Principles for Responsible Investment in Agriculture and Food Systems – Secretariat’s analysis of the contributions received to inform the Global Thematic Event

VIII. OTHER MATTERS

- a) Date of the Fifty-first Session of CFS (for decision)
- b) Adoption of the Final Report (for decision)