

GLOBAL THEMATIC EVENT ON ADVANCING THE UPTAKE OF THE CFS VOLUNTARY GUIDELINES ON THE PROGRESSIVE REALIZATION OF THE RIGHT TO ADEQUATE FOOD IN THE CONTEXT OF NATIONAL FOOD SECURITY

DRAFT CONCLUSIONS

MATTERS TO BE BROUGHT TO THE ATTENTION OF THE COMMITTEE

1. The Global Thematic Event, coinciding with the 20th anniversary of the Voluntary Guidelines on the progressive realization of the right to adequate food in the context of national food security (Right to Food Guidelines), takes stock of the use and application of the Guidelines. It reflects on the progress made over the past 20 years, highlights best practices and lessons learned, while also identifying remaining challenges and paving the way for further action towards the realization of the right to adequate food. The event is opened by the CFS Chair, followed by a keynote speech by XXX.
2. The panel on the use and application of the Right to Food Guidelines is composed of:
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3. The Committee:
 - a. welcomes the CFS 52 Global Thematic Event as an important opportunity to reflect on the past 20 years of implementation of the Right to Food Guidelines as a fundamental policy agreement at the core of the CFS;
 - b. takes note of the overview provided in document CFS 2024/52/Inf.19 “Monitoring CFS Voluntary Guidelines on the progressive realization of the right to adequate food in the context of national food security: Secretariat’s analysis of the contributions received”;
 - c. underlines the importance of the progressive realization of the right to adequate food in the context of national food security and nutrition as reflected in the vision of the reformed CFS to “strive for a world free from hunger where countries implement the Voluntary Guidelines for the progressive realization of the right to adequate food in the context of national food security”;
 - d. reiterates the objective of the Guidelines aimed at guiding countries and other stakeholders in developing and adopting a wide range of measures - to guarantee the availability of food in quantity and quality sufficient to satisfy the dietary needs of individuals; physical and economic accessibility for everyone, including vulnerable groups, to adequate food, free from unsafe substances and acceptable within a given culture; or the means of its procurement; and

recognizes the potential of solutions to enable physical and economic access to nutritious foods for healthy diets for all for the fulfilment of the Right to Food Guidelines, in the context of building resilient food systems.

- e. recognizes that the Right to Food Guidelines - since their adoption in 2004 - have been utilized at global, national, and local levels, with coordinated effort applied by CFS Members, Participants, Observers, the CFS Secretariat and other CFS stakeholders, and with the critical support of the Rome-based Agencies, to ensure their dissemination and application in various contexts;
- f. reflects on the role of the Right to Food Guidelines in the progress made towards the advancement of the normative framework on the right to adequate food since their adoption;
- g. encourages additional efforts to promote a broader and systematic dissemination, use and application of the Right to Food Guidelines at all levels to contribute to the progressive realization of the right to adequate food for all towards the elimination of hunger and ensuring food security and nutrition for all human beings;
- h. recognizes the need to strengthen collaboration between UN institutions and agencies in order to support the implementation of the Right to Food Guidelines;
- i. Takes note of the following comments provided in Plenary:
- j. [...]