

Workstream: "In-depth debate on enhanced efforts to increase awareness, ownership, use and usefulness of CFS policy outcomes at all levels"

Panama expresses its appreciation to the Secretariat and the Rapporteurs for the preparation of the draft of the Action Plan. Although the CFS is not an implementation agency of its own documents, CFS can encourage RBAs and other actors, that these are tools that can help the execution of its mandates.

Panama expresses the following to be considered:

- For better promulgation of CFS documents and to higher outreach, it is important to consider the translation of the final documents to 5 UN languages, taking into account that they are currently negotiated and finalized only in English. Member states are invited to translate the documents into other local languages.
- RBAs that have country, regional or subregional offices abroad, can provide feedback, first, if the host country has implemented the CFS documents; consequently, monitoring and evaluating the implementation, before and after its application.
- It is recommended to include consultations with local communities, to measure the impact of the CFS documents.
- It is important to be able to evaluate within a specific time frame whether the instruments are adequate and to include the possibility of a modification period to adapt the documents for better use, reflecting, and adjusting it to reality.
- The communication strategy must be direct and clear, action oriented.
- Since there are many actors, the Action Plan can be divided by defining actors with corresponding actions, roles, and responsibilities, as for example those for CFS separated to other stakeholders to clearly express the outreach and uptakes of CFS.

Panama expresses its gratitude for the opportunity to share its comments and remains available to provide further clarification if needed.