

UN Committee on World Food Security

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CFS Reform

- “The reformed CFS ... will constitute the foremost inclusive international and intergovernmental platform for a broad range of committed stakeholders to work together in a coordinated manner and in support of country-led processes towards the elimination of hunger and ensuring food security and nutrition for all human beings.”
- Role of the CFS
 - Coordination at global level
 - Policy convergence
 - Support and advice to countries and regions
 - Coordination at national and regional levels
 - Promoting accountability and sharing best practice
 - Develop a Global Strategic Framework for food security and nutrition

CFS Reform

- “The Committee shall be open to participants from the following categories: ...

“Civil society and non-governmental organizations and their networks with strong relevance to issues of food security and nutrition with particular attention to organizations representing smallholder family farmers, artisanal fisherfolk, herders/pastoralists, landless, urban poor, agricultural and food workers, women, youth, consumers, Indigenous Peoples, and International NGOs whose mandates and activities are concentrated in the areas of concern to the Committee. This group will aim to achieve gender and geographic balance in their representation.

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“Participants take part in the work of the Committee with the right to intervene in plenary and breakout discussions, to contribute to preparation of meeting documents and agendas, submit and present documents and formal proposals.”

Civil Society Mechanism (CSM)

- Structured by
 - constituencies:
 - regions
- “The CSM will be an inclusive space open to all civil society organizations: it will involve the full range of constituencies concerned about and affected by hunger, food insecurity and malnutrition, including social movements and NGOs, particularly those from developing countries, those affected by hunger and those committed to the realization of the right to food and food sovereignty.”
- www.csm4cfs.org

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Work of the CFS

- *Voluntary guidelines on the responsible governance of tenure of land, fisheries and forests in the context of national food security*
- *Global strategic framework on food security and nutrition*
- High Level Panel of Experts reports on:
 - *Biofuels and food security*
 - *Investing in smallholder agriculture for food security*
 - *Food security and climate change*
 - *Social protection for food security*
 - *Price volatility and food security*
- currently being developed:
 - Responsible agricultural investment principles
 - Agenda for action for food insecurity in protracted crises