



Food and Agriculture Organization
of the United Nations

Forum on
**women's
empowerment**
in the context of
**food security
and nutrition**

Monday, 25 September
9.30 - 17.00
FAO Red Room

All staff are welcome

Send your questions via Twitter using the hashtag #CFS4Women



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9.30 – 9.50 - Opening

Ambassador Amira Gornass – CFS Chair

Femi Oke – Moderator

9.50 – 10.30 - Taking stock: Emerging challenges and persisting barriers to women's empowerment in the agriculture and agri-food sector

Miriam Nobre – World March of Women (Keynote)

Bianca Pomeranzi – CEDAW expert (Discussant)

10.30– 12.30 - Addressing gender gaps: Sharing lessons from concrete examples

Hilal Elver – UN Special Rapporteur on the Right to Food

Cesarie Kantarama – Eastern Africa Farmers Federation (EAFF)

Anish Kumar – Transform Rural India

Nettie Wiebe – Farmer, La Via Campesina

Open floor discussion

12.30 – 14.00 - Lunch break

14.00 – 15.30 - Break-out group discussions: CFS role in advancing women's empowerment, women's rights and gender equality

3 Groups with 1 Facilitator and 1 Rapporteur for each group.

Key topics for discussions:

How are CFS policy outcomes promoting women's empowerment, women's rights and gender equality as a pre-requisite for food security and nutrition?

Taking into account its mandate, what concrete steps can CFS take to further advance women's empowerment, women's rights and gender equality in its work to produce a tangible shift towards gender equality and enhance the implementation of the UN General Recommendation 34 of CEDAW (2 016) on the rights of rural women?

What actions are required and by whom in order to strengthen the content and implementation of national and international normative frameworks for women's empowerment?

15.30 – 16.30 - Presentation of break-out groups' outcomes

16.30 – 17.00 - Closure

CFS Chair's summary (for endorsement at CFS 44)