



CSM Update Jan/Feb 2016

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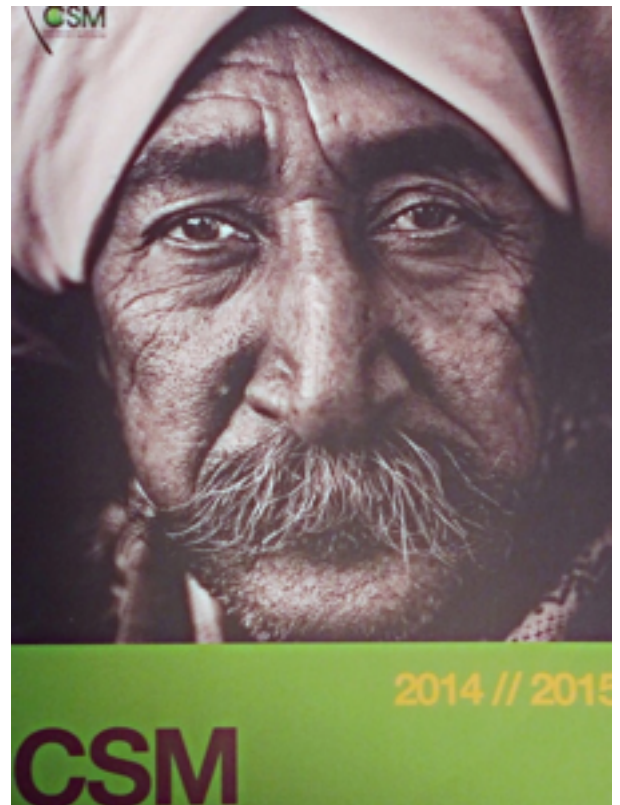
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2014/2015
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1. UPDATES ON CFS PROCESSES

OEWG on Nutrition and CSM Inputs

The CSM Working Group on Nutrition participated to the its first CFS Open-Ended Working Group (OEWG) meeting on January 14th 2016. The CSM WG agreed to define an initial set of driving principles and ideas that could lead the CSM engagement in the OEWG process. Please find at this [link](#) the CSM WG on Nutrition Preliminary Position that aims to provide an initial conceptual framing to the CSM preparations for the OEWG.

Moreover the CSM WG submitted its comments to the HLPE e-consultation on its Report on Food Systems and Nutrition that is expected to be launched in 2017. The document conveys the collective input of the CSM and you can read it at this [link](#).



OEWG on SDG and CSM Preliminary Position

The CSM Working Group on SDGs participated to the first CFS Open-Ended Working Group (OEWG) meeting on January 21st. In that occasion the CSM Working Group presented its preliminary vision document. The document aims to offer some basic information, an initial assessment and some preliminary forward-looking propositions with respect to the engagement of the CFS with the implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). Based on an earlier version prepared for the CSM Forum 2015 and CFS 42, the document was elaborated by the CSM Working Group on the SDGs in preparation for the SDG Open-Ended Working Group (OEWG) process. Find at this [link](#) the document.

OEWG on Monitoring and CSM contributions

On January 19th the CSM Working Group on Monitoring held an informational session where the CSM WG shared with interested members and participants of the CFS its ideas and preliminary proposals for terms of reference for monitoring events, including the global thematic session on the implementation of the Voluntary Guidelines on Responsible Governance of Tenure of Land, Fisheries and Forests, as contributions to the CFS work on monitoring in 2016. The meeting was very well attended. After the CSM presentation governments engaged into a lively and dynamic debate mainly focused on the challenges of the national monitoring events. Governments and the CFS Secretariat welcomed the enthusiasm and commitment of the CSM Monitoring WG, but raised also some concerns on aspects such as the possible supporting role of Rome Based Agencies' local offices, the link with the SDG process and the CSM role in supporting CSO engagement at national level. Please find at this [link](#) the power point presentation of the CSM Working group and at this [link](#) the CSM full proposal.

On February 3rd the OEWG on Monitoring took place and discussed the draft monitoring workplan for 2016 and the draft proposal for Terms of Reference submitted by the CFS Secretariat. France presented its own proposal for Terms of Reference while the CSM that was invited to present its proposal, decided instead in spirit of collaboration, to use the CFS Secretariat draft as a basis and present its comments, suggestions for improvements to this draft.

In preparation of the next OEWG meeting, on 17 March, the CFS Secretariat is expected to convene France and the CSM to ad-hoc group which would consolidate the proposals and comments into a revised document.

CFS Contributions to the AG/Bureau Meeting of 2 February

On February 2nd the second CFS Joint Advisory Group and Bureau Meeting of 2016 took place at FAO Headquarters. Please find at this [link](#) the CSM contributions on the meeting agenda: 1) Draft CFS 43 timetable; 2) CFS 43 Side Events Criteria; 3) Policy Round Table process; 4) Nutrition – Focus of the HLPE Report; 5) Finalization of workplans: Nutrition, SDG, Smallholders to Markets; 6) Workstreams update: MYPOW and CFS Budget.

Please find at this [link](#) the CFS Advisory Group and Bureau Meeting Outcomes circulated by the CFS Secretariat.

CFS Bureau Outcomes

On February 5th the CFS Bureau held its meeting to decide on the issues discussed with the Advisory Group. The outcomes can be found at this [link](#).

CFS Informational Session for CFS members and participants, including the presentations on CSM Workplan 2016 and CSM Financial overview

The CSM held an informational Session on February 1st. The objective of this information meeting was to present and share with CFS members and participants the priorities, workplan and budget of the CSM in 2016, and to have an informal exchange on one of the crucial issues of the CFS agenda in 2016: the upcoming negotiations on “Connecting Smallholders to Markets”.



The CFS Chair, Ambassador Amira Gornass opened the meeting with a welcoming address. The event was considered successful and registered a high attendance of more than 25 governments. Please find at this [link](#) the CSM Workplan and at this [link](#) the CSM Financial Overview.



Update on Smallholders to Markets

The CSM Working Group on Smallholders to Markets is currently engaged in the elaboration and debate of the zero draft for the negotiations on “Connecting Smallholders to Markets”. The CSM is also participating in the CFS Technical Task Team. Please find at this [link](#) the CSM WG contribution to the zero draft of the document. The first OEWG meeting will be on 25 April, the actual negotiation is scheduled for 8-9 June.

CFS Updated Calendar available now online

Please find at this [link](#) the latest updated version of CFS calendar for inter-sessional activities and the global plenary session.

Upcoming Technical Workshop on Urbanization and Rural Transformation

On the 22nd and 23rd of February the first Technical Workshop on Urbanization, Rural Transformation and implications for Food Security and Nutrition will take place. A CSM group of 3 persons nominated within the CSM WG on this topic will attend the workshop in Rome. Please find below some background material:

- a) The [Agenda](#)
- b) The [List](#) of participants
- c) The [Guidance](#) note for Participants

Summaries of CFS 42 Side events (Only available in English)

You can read the summaries and abstracts of all CFS 42 Plenary Session Side events at this [link](#). Unfortunately the CFS has made this document available only in English.



2. Internal CSM Processes

New CC member appointed for the Urban Food Insecure Constituency and the Women Constituency

New Coordination Committee members were appointed at the beginning of 2016.

- Christiane Costa, Instituto Polis, Brazil has been appointed to replace Emily Mattheisen in the Urban Food Insecure Constituency.

Two CC temporary members have been appointed for the Women Constituency with the task of re-building the Constituency as mandated by the CC during its meeting in October 2015:

- Sophie Ogutu Dowllar, World March of Women, Kenya
- Emily Prangue Cahilog, International Women's Alliance, Philippines

New resources:

The CSM Annual Report 2014/2015 is now online at this [link](#) !

The Civil Society Plenary Statements at CFS 42 are now online at this [link](#)!

Call to join the CSM Working Group on Urbanization and Rural Transformation

The CSM Policy Working Group on Urbanization and Rural Transformation is already at work! You are all invited to join the Working Group that is just starting! Elene Shatberashvili – CC member from the East Europe Sub-Region and Kuria Gathuru – CC member from the Urban Food Insecure Constituency are the Coordinators. Emiliy Mattheisen from FIAN and Imogen Ebsworth – CC member from the Australasia Sub-region are the technical facilitators.

For more information visit the dedicated webpage at this [link](#)

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