### CFS Bureau and Advisory Group meeting  
**Date:** 20 July 2017  
**Mexico Room, FAO, 09.30-12.30 and 14.00-17.00**

**FORUM ON WOMEN’S EMPOWERMENT IN THE CONTEXT OF FOOD SECURITY AND NUTRITION**

**Monday, 25 September 2017 – Rome, FAO, Red Room**

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| 9.30 – 9.50 | Opening                                                                | 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 | Keynote: Miriam Nobre – World March of Women, Coordinator  
Discussant: Bianca Pomeranzi – CEDAW expert                               |
| 10.30 – 12.30 | Addressing gender gaps: Sharing lessons from concrete examples          | Panel discussion building on the background document*  
Four thematic areas:  
- Women's participation in decision-making, public policies, partnerships, leadership roles  
- Women’s access to and control over land, natural resources, inputs, productive tools  
- Women’s access to decent working conditions and adequate wages  
- Access and role of women with regards to markets, extension, advisory, financial services, social protection, education, training and other learning opportunities |
| 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 discussion:  
- Are CFS policy outcomes adequately promoting women’s empowerment, women’s rights and gender quality 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? |
| 15.30 – 16.30 | Presentation by break-out groups’ Rapporteurs                          |                                                                                               |
| 16.30 – 17.00 | Closure                                                                 | CFS Chair’s summary (for endorsement at CFS 44)                                               |