

Dear CFS secretariat,

First of all, apologies for a belated contribution to the zero draft of the CFS inputs to the High Level Political Forum.

Please find below the main comments on behalf of the CSM:

The paper could be structured along the following lines :

**Part 1 : The CFS initiatives to address the implications of the pandemic** on food security and nutrition. This is already largely reflected in the introduction, but needs to be updated with the latest discussions and decisions of the CFS 47. References should also be made to the different contributions made by CFS participants, in particular the 3 reports produced by the CSM : the [CSM Global Synthesis Report](#), the [Women's constituency report](#) and the [Youth constituency report](#).

**Part 2 : the relevant policy decisions of the CFS** to address the COVID-19 crisis, in particular in relation to food security and nutrition. We believe the CFS has developed a solid and comprehensive set of policy recommendations to address the impacts and causes of the food crisis related to the pandemic. These include :

- The CFS recommendations responding to the impacts of the pandemic :
  - o The Voluntary Guidelines to support the progressive realization of the right to adequate food in the context of national food security (2004) enriched with the global monitoring event in 2018
  - o The CFS policy recommendations on 'Social Protection for Food Security and Nutrition' (2012)
  - o The CFS Framework for Action for Food Security and Nutrition in Protracted Crises (2015) enriched by the Global Monitoring Event in 2021
  - o The CFS policy recommendations on 'Price volatility and food security' (2011)
- The CFS policy recommendations building sustainable, resilient and nutritious food systems :
  - o The CFS policy recommendations on 'Connecting Smallholders to Markets' (2016),
  - o On 'Investing in smallholder agriculture for food security' (2013),
  - o On 'Water for food security and nutrition' (2015),
  - o On 'Sustainable fisheries and aquaculture for food security and nutrition' (2014),
  - o On 'Sustainable agricultural development for food security and nutrition: what roles for livestock?' (2016),
  - o On 'Food Losses and Waste in the Context of sustainable food systems' (2014),
  - o on Food Security and Climate Change (2012),
  - o The Voluntary Guidelines on Responsible Tenure of Land, Fisheries and Forests in the Context of National Food Security (2012) enriched by the global monitoring event in 2016

**Part 3 : The HLPE issues paper's recommendations** (as incorporated in the draft). They should, of course, be accompanied by a disclaimer noting that these recommendations have not been negotiated, and therefore do not reflect a consensus of all members. However it should be noted that the HLPE Issues Note has been written to inform policy making by providing independent, comprehensive and evidence-based analysis and advice at the request of CFS.