



CFS Plenary 47

IV: CFS Multi Year Programme of Work (MYPow) 2020-2023

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Statement by Switzerland

- Switzerland would like to underline that solid, adequate and stable resources of the HLPE and the CFS secretariat are a prerequisite for supporting the implementation of the MYPow. This implies particularly a strong engagement of the RBAs, both via cash and in-kind contributions, based on the specific needs of the secretariat. The ownership and the shared commitment of the RBAs is essential to encourage complementary contributions by member states.
- We welcome the engagement of the Chair to broaden the financial base of the CFS and encourage increased effort in this respect, in line with the Resource Mobilization and Outreach Strategy. A broad – this covers the geographical perspective, but also the diversity of stakeholders – financial base of the CFS supports the legitimacy and serves the increase of attention towards the products of CFS.
- It is clear to us that we are discussing a MYPow in the context of a pandemic situation. In this regard, we would like to underline our support to the way proposed by the Chair and supported by the Bureau. This implies that the CFS continues to work on a solid knowledge base, provided by the HLPE in form of the issues paper prepared in 2020: Impacts of COVID-19 on food security and nutrition: developing effective policy responses to address the hunger and malnutrition pandemic. The flexibility embedded in the MYPow to handle current and emerging topics is in our view sufficient to position the CFS in its role vis-à-vis the pandemic.
- With regard to the CFS Policy Recommendation on Agroecology and other innovative approaches, Switzerland would like to:
 1. thank the former rapporteur H.E. Mohammed Emadi for its demonstrated leadership in this CFS workstream and we look forward to continue to work in the same spirit of compromise under the new rapporteur, H.E. Yaya Olaniran.
 2. express its concerns that the Draft Policy Recommendations are substantially deviating from the corresponding HLPE report and its recommendations.



In our view, the upcoming process should substantially valorise the actual content and findings of this report, and

3. recognize the difficulties of running negotiations under the current constraints and therefore express the need for a high degree of clarity and transparency for the process towards its finalization