



**Statement on behalf of the European Union and its 27 Member States**

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**Item Va): CFS Multi-Year Programme of Work (MYPoW) 2020-2023) – Update of the rolling section**

Mr Chair,

1. I am honoured to speak on behalf of the European Union and its 27 Member States.
2. The CFS is the central inclusive multi-stakeholder platform for world food security and nutrition. In the broader context of the 2030 Agenda and, especially, in the follow-up of the UN Food Systems Summit, the CFS has a key role to play in supporting our efforts to build sustainable food systems and ensure healthy diets for all.
3. We welcome the proposal for the CFS MYPoW 2020-2023 - Update of the Rolling Section, and express our appreciation for the detailed information provided.
4. We underline the need to constantly look for the right balance in terms of ambition, workload, human and financial resources. Working methods, and their inclusivity, should continuously be improved, drawing lessons from the particular COVID-19 context.
5. We would like to recall the importance for the CFS to keep to its medium and long term objectives and to be able to provide a timely and adapted response to critical emerging issues, such as the impact of the Covid-19 crisis on food security and nutrition.
6. With these comments, we endorse the MYPoW 2020-2023 - Update of the Rolling Section.

Thank you, Mr Chair.

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