Germany

Position on the revised draft Terms of Reference (TORs) for the preparation of the CFS Voluntary Guidelines on Gender Equality and Women's Empowerment in the context of Food Security and Nutrition

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Germany thanks the CFS for developing Voluntary Guidelines on Gender Equality and Women's Empowerment in the context of Food Security and Nutrition as it is essential to achieving all SDGs of the 2030 Agenda and advocates the empowerment and equal participation of all women and girls - especially in the field of agriculture and rural areas.

Please find below Germany's comments on the revised draft TORs for the preparation of the CFS Voluntary Guidelines on Gender Equality and Women's Empowerment with regard to Section A "Background and rationale":

- 1. We would still appreciate if also **barriers** are considered, that prevent men from becoming more involved in food security, and possible barriers on the part of women or families that prevent greater participation by men. This could be included in paragraph 8 and in order to be consistent additionally in Section C "Scope of the guidelines" in paragraph 14.6: "[...] women's empowerment as well as identifying barriers that prevent men from becoming more involved in food security and nutrition."
- 2. In addition, synergies with the thematic complex of reproductive health and rights are not reflected yet and could be considered in Section A. This could be included in paragraph 9 and in order to be consistent additionally in Section C "Scope of the guidelines" in paragraph 14.5/bullet point 6: "Access to education, sexual and reproductive health and rights, capacity building [...]."