

Chair's Summary

Group of Friends of the CFS Chair - Implications of UNFSS on CFS

Meeting: Tuesday, 16 November, 14:00 – 15:45

Following the meeting of the CFS Bureau on 29 October, the 'group of friends' of the CFS Chair (55 persons from among CFS Members and Participants) met virtually on 16 November to continue the conversation on the implications of the UNFSS on CFS, as per the decision taken by the CFS-49 plenary (see below). The CFS Chair proposed a number of questions intended to frame the follow-up debate of the "friends" group and the options to be proposed. Several key questions and issues were raised during the Friends meeting, and were summarised in the form ok key issues to be taken into account along this process: i) ensuring inclusivity of all the membership along the process and on the proposals that may emerge, ii) ensure that considered options can be taken forward within the existing resource constraints, iii) ensure that options respond to the CFS mandate and reform as well as to the Summit contributions, iv) focus on the specific issues from the Summit that are the most relevant to the CFS vision and program of work. The Chair requested volunteers from among the Membership to facilitate five separate discussion groups, and proposed to meet as a Friends group again in mid-December. A compilation of these discussions will be summarized in a paper for Bureau in early 2022.

The Chair offered to distribute a background paper summarizing the proposed methodology, the starting framing questions and its relationship to both the CFS Reform Document and to the Secretary General's Statement of Action.

> ANNEX: BACKGROUND DOCUMENT I