



COMMITTEE ON WORLD FOOD SECURITY (CFS)

**VOLUNTARY GUIDELINES ON GENDER EQUALITY AND WOMEN'S AND GIRLS' EMPOWERMENT IN THE
CONTEXT OF FOOD SECURITY AND NUTRITION**

REGIONAL CONSULTATION

CFS Regional Consultation for Near East and North Africa 27-28 October 2021

(Cairo time)

Timetable

Day 1

09.30 – 10.00 Greeting Room: Security verification and admission of registered participants.

Opening Session

10.00 – 10.10 Welcome and introduction – Moderator: Ms Françoise Trine, Senior Food Security Officer, CFS Secretariat

10.10 – 10.30 Keynote addresses:

- Ms. Dina Douay, Director of the Woman, Family, and Childhood Department, League of Arab States
- Ms. Ekram El-Huni, Regional Programme Coordinator, UN Women
- Mr. Naoufel Telahigue, IFAD Country Director - Joint Statement on behalf of FAO, IFAD and WFP

Presentation of the Zero Draft of the CFS Guidelines – Plenary discussion

10.30 – 11.00 Presentation of the Zero Draft of the *Voluntary Guidelines on Gender Equality and Women's and Girls' Empowerment in the context of Food Security and Nutrition* – Co-Chairs of the CFS Gender Open-ended Working Group (OEWG):

- Ms Tanja Grén, Permanent Representative Designate of Finland to FAO, WFP and IFAD
- Mr Tomas Duncan Jurado, Permanent Representative of Panama to FAO, IFAD and WFP

11.00 – 12.45 General comments on the Zero Draft – Plenary discussion – Facilitator, Ms Christa Ketting, IFAD Social Inclusion Officer, Near East and North Africa Region

12.45 – 13.00 Wrap up – Ms Alyson Brody, CFS Senior Gender Expert

13.00 End of day 1

Day 2

09.30 – 10.00 Greeting Room: Security verification and admission of registered participants.

Plenary discussion on selected themes

10.00 – 10.10 Welcome - Moderator

10.10 – 12.40 Discussion on selected themes - Plenary discussion – Facilitator: Ms Valentina Franchi, Gender Expert, FAO Regional Office for Near East and North Africa

12.40 – 12.55 Wrap up – Ms Alyson Brody, CFS Senior Gender Expert

12.55 – 13.00 Closing remarks – Co-Chairs of the CFS Gender OEWG

13.00 End of the Consultation