

Written Comments - United Cities and Local Governments

CFS 2024-2027 MYPOW Zero Draft

United Cities and Local Governments as the world organization of local and regional governments, supports the merging proposals of the MYPOW Zero Draft.

United Cities and Local Governments supports the merging of our proposal (#15) with proposal (#21) of Angola, Brazil and Portugal on Territorial governance for more effective, resilient and inclusive food systems as we believe they have similar objectives and priorities.

We believe that Thematic Area 4B on “Localizing SDG2: multilevel governance for more sustainable, resilient and inclusive food systems” reflects the key role that local and regional governments play in fostering sustainable and inclusive food systems and reflects the importance of policies at the local level in promoting food security and how local governments can support member states and other actors in this regard.

We think that, beyond making use of the platform and convening power of the CFS, these proposals will contribute to building on the HLPE report on Strengthening urban and peri-urban food systems and fit well with the proposed policy workstream for 2025 on Strengthening urban and peri-urban food systems. In this regard, we stand ready to support this policy workstream on urban and peri-urban food systems by contributing to the development of policy guidance on these issues and convene for example consultations between the local and regional government constituency and stakeholders, to collaborate on this workstream in this regard and bring these issues to other international forums where the link between urban and peri-urban policies and policies at the national level is growing such as the UN High-Level Political Forum for the 2030 Agenda, the COP, and other processes.