

STRATEGIC RETREAT ON CFS ACTIVITIES

In light of the different ongoing CFS activities, the important objectives set for the current biennium, and building on previous dialogue, including past evaluation of the work of the CFS, the CFS Chair proposes to organize an off-site retreat with Bureau and Advisory Group members, as well as the Chairperson of the High Level Panel of Experts (HLPE), to discuss strategies and ways to successfully carry out the work that the Committee is expected to accomplish. This retreat would enable a continuation and deepening of discussions already initiated in previous meetings.

The retreat would be an opportunity to build on the feedback exchanged after CFS 51 with a view to advance implementation of the 2024-2027 MYPOW, including preparations for plenary sessions of the Committee, including objectives, content and format of the different sessions and ways to capture their outcomes in the final report.

Attention would also be dedicated to the interlinkages among the main workstreams being implemented this biennium (Reducing Inequalities, Uptake and Collaborative Governance, Strengthening Urban and Peri-Urban Food Systems, High Level Forum on Climate, Biodiversity and the Right to Food, High Level Forum on Strengthening Responsible Investment and Financing for Food Security and Nutrition).

Furthermore, discussions would focus on support required to strengthen the impact of the CFS as well as on interactions between the various actors involved in the work of CFS.

Depending on the availability of extrabudgetary resources for this event, the retreat would take place during the 2nd week of May, possibly outside of Rome. Participation costs would be covered for one representative from each Bureau Member and Alternate as well as from each Advisory Group member.

The outcomes and follow-up actions identified during the retreat would then be presented for discussion at the Bureau and Advisory Group meeting to be scheduled thereafter.

At its meeting on 13 March, the CFS Bureau is asked, following discussion with its Advisory Group, to take a decision on whether to request the Chairperson, with the cooperation of the Secretariat, to further explore the possibility to secure funds and proceed with the organization of this retreat.