



Highlights of CFS 41

CFS 41 was the fifth annual Plenary session of CFS since the reform in 2009.

Below are some of the highlights:

Principles for Responsible Investment in Agriculture and Food Systems

The Principles, which have been under development for two years, were endorsed by CFS 41. Formatted versions in the official languages are being prepared and awareness raising activities are being planned. More at this link:

<http://www.fao.org/cfs/rai>



Policy Recommendations

The Committee also endorsed policy recommendations on:

- Sustainable Fisheries and Aquaculture for Food Security and Nutrition
- Food Losses and Waste in the Context of Sustainable Food Systems

CFS 41 Final Report and Chair's Summary

The Final Report is available in all languages on the CFS 41 web page. The Chair's Summary is posted in English – other languages following shortly: www.fao.org/cfs/cfs41

Side Events

Throughout the week there were 36 side events organized by different CFS stakeholders on a wide variety of food security and nutrition related issues. Photos are on the CFS 41 Side Events page: <http://www.fao.org/cfs/cfs-home/cfs41/sideevents41/en>

The year ahead for CFS

Agenda for Action for addressing food insecurity in protracted crises

CFS 41 agreed to extend the consultation and negotiation period leading up to endorsement by CFS 42 in October 2015. The Second Draft (Co-Chairs' Proposal) is posted in English at this link (other languages will be posted shortly):

<http://www.fao.org/cfs/cfs-home/cfs-fipc/en/>



Monitoring CFS Effectiveness

CFS 41 approved the roll out of activities that will measure the effectiveness of CFS. This includes a baseline survey to be completed by CFS constituencies at the global, regional and national levels which will be rolled out in early 2015. If you would like to be included in the survey, send an email to cfs.updates@gmail.com with "Survey" in the subject line. The results of the survey will be presented to CFS 42.



High-Level Forum on Connecting Smallholders to Market

The aim of this High-Level Forum is to discuss core issues, major challenges and ways to improve the access of smallholders to markets based on the experience of different stakeholders. The forum will be held on 25 June 2015.

Building knowledge, skills and talent development to further food security and nutrition

This event will bring together a diverse range of stakeholders to discuss capacity building and talent development in the agricultural sector through a food security and nutrition lens. This event will be held during CFS 42.

HLPE News

Renewal of the HLPE Steering Committee

Following CFS 42 in October 2015, the Steering Committee of the HLPE will be renewed for a 2-year term. A call for nomination of experts is open until 31 January 2015. More information at this link: <http://www.fao.org/cfs/cfs-hlpe/hlpe-stc-renewal>



HLPE Calls for Experts

Sustainable Agricultural Development for Food Security and Nutrition, including the Role of Livestock

The HLPE is currently calling for experts for the Project Team for this Report which will feed into CFS 43 in 2016. There is also an electronic consultation on the scope of the report. Both are open until 15 Jan 2015: <http://www.fao.org/cfs/cfs-hlpe>

Sustainable Forestry for Food Security and Nutrition

Between 15 Jan and 15 Feb 2015, there will be a call for experts for the Project Team and a consultation on the scope of the Report which will feed into CFS 44 in 2017. More at this link: <http://www.fao.org/cfs/cfs-hlpe>



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