



COMMITTEE ON WORLD FOOD SECURITY

Thirty-ninth Session

Rome, Italy, 15-20 October 2012

WHAT IS CFS?

The Committee on World Food Security (CFS) was set up in 1974 as an intergovernmental body to serve as a forum for review and follow up of food security policies.

The vision of the reformed CFS is to be the most inclusive international and intergovernmental platform for all stakeholders to work together in a coordinated way to ensure food security and nutrition for all.

CFS was reformed to address short term crises but also long term structural issues.

The Committee reports annually to Economic and Social Council of the United Nations (ECOSOC).

The Session was attended by:

- delegates from 116 Members of the Committee;
- 15 non-Member States of the Committee
- 11 United Nations Agencies and Bodies;
- 111 Civil society and non-governmental organizations;
- 2 International agricultural research organizations;
- 3 International and regional financial institutions;
- 46 Private sector associations and private philanthropic foundations;
- 32 observers.





Twenty-four Ministers registered



Opening statements were delivered by:

- Mr Ban Ki-moon, Secretary-General, United Nations (video)
- Mr José Graziano da Silva, Director-General, Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO)
- Mr Kanayo Nwanze, President, International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD)
- Ms Ertharin Cousin, Executive Director, the United Nations World Food Programme (WFP)
- Mr Monkombu Sambasivan Swaminathan, Chairperson of the Steering Committee of the High Level Panel of Experts on Food Security and Nutrition (HLPE)

Agenda of the session:

I. ORGANIZATIONAL MATTERS

II. SETTING THE STAGE FOR CFS 39

III. POLICY CONVERGENCE

- a) Social Protection for Food Security
- b) Food Security and Climate Change

IV. STATE OF FOOD INSECURITY (SOFI)

- a) A presentation based on SOFI 2012.
- b) An update on the Review of the Methods to Estimate the Number of Hungry.

V. POLICY CONVERGENCE AND COORDINATION

- a) Food Security and Nutrition Terminology
- b) Global Strategic Framework for Food Security and Nutrition (GSF)
- c) Addressing Policy Gaps and Emerging Issues
- d) Responsible agricultural investments: The Way Forward
- e) Addressing Food Insecurity in Protracted Crises

VI. GLOBAL AND REGIONAL COORDINATION AND LINKAGES WITH CFS

VII. MONITORING, MAPPING AND FOLLOW UP

- a) Following progress towards CFS decisions and recommendations
- b) Multi-year Programme of Work (MYPOW) for CFS
- c) Mapping Food Security and Nutrition Actions at Country Level

VIII. CONCLUSIONS AND WAY FORWARD (ROAD MAP)

The Chair recommended that the 40th Session be held from 7-11 October 2013 at FAO headquarters in Rome, as indicated on the Provisional Calendar of FAO Governing Bodies

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