



INTERNATIONAL FOOD SECURITY AND NUTRITION

CIVIL SOCIETY MECHANISM (CSM)

FOR RELATIONS WITH THE CFS

JOIN IN the Policy Debates!

- Voluntary Guidelines for the Responsible Governance of Tenure of Land, Fisheries and Forests
- Small-holder sensitive Agricultural Investment
- Food Price Volatility
- Gender and Nutrition
- Protracted Crisis

and many more...!

The CSM Aims...

To support CSOs to influence policy processes and outcomes at the **global** level by facilitating civil society participation in:

- CFS Plenary Sessions
- Open Ended Working Groups
- Task Team
- the CFS Advisory Group

...as well as within regional and national levels!

1 WHAT is the CSM?

The CSM is the largest international mechanism of civil society organisations (CSOs) seeking to influence agriculture, food security and nutrition policies and actions - nationally, regionally and globally.

The CSM is an inclusive and open space in which over 900 NGOs/CSOs worldwide share information and participate in policy debates and process in relation to the **Committee on World Food Security (CFS)**.

At the core of the CSM is the understanding that those most affected by food insecurity must be the agents of their own development.

2 WHY get involved?

- **Bring YOUR perspective** and experience into the debate by directly influencing government decisions on policy issues that affect your community. See <http://cso4cfs.org/csm-working-groups-2/>
- **Interact and exchange** knowledge and analysis with CSOs from around the world on food security and nutrition issues
- **Develop** common policy positions with your peers

3 HOW to get involved?

- **Join CSM Policy Working Groups** to receive up to date information and directly contribute to ongoing policy debates and processes
- **Connect** with your Constituency or Sub-regional Coordination Committee Representative by visiting: <http://cso4cfs.org/coordination-committee/>

GET CONNECTED NOW!

Visit us at www.cso4cfs.org for all of the latest updates on CSM activities and learn how to get involved, or email us at cso4cfs@gmail.com for more details and to receive our weekly newsletter!

Small food producers and poor consumers are not only the victims of hunger, but also, the bearers of solutions and change.