

Civil Society Consultation Working Groups – Constituencies

(N.B. The following were not represented: Landless and Consumers)

Smallholder Farmers (FR)

Focal Point(s):

1. IFAP
2. La Via Campesina

Cet atelier avait pour mission de désigner quel processus doit être mis en place pour désigner les 4 personnes qui représenteront la diversité paysanne au niveau planétaire au sein du CSA .

La discussion s'est déroulée autour de deux points :

- Quels critères de sélections ?
- Quel mécanisme de désignation ?

Une large discussion s'est développée autour des critères afin que tous les paysans soient bien représentés dans leurs diversités.

. Il est acté que la Via Campesina et le FIPA, les deux organisations paysannes organisées au niveau international désignent les 4 représentants. Cela ne leur donne pas toutefois carte blanche dans leur choix. Un comité des organisations paysannes constitué des membres ici présents, validera in fine les personnes proposées par les deux organisations.

Vu la volonté de représenter tous les paysans et paysannes, seuls deux critères sont retenus :

- l'équité genre : deux femmes, deux hommes
- s'assurer d'une représentation continentale équilibrée . pour mettre en œuvre ce critère il est validé que chaque continent via une consultation régionale désigne qu'au moins 'une organisation paysanne soit mandatée pour représenter le continent

Un critère mode et système de production lié à l'agro-écologie, au refus des OGM a été largement débattu, mais ce critère était d'ors et déjà discriminant entre les deux organisations paysannes internationales, et il a été décidé de ne pas le mettre an avant.

Par contre il est fortement recommandé et le comité des organisations paysannes en

tiendra compte, que les représentant-e-s retenu-e-s, ne sont là ni pour leur propre structure ou région mais pour avoir un rôle de facilitateur entre les différentes organisations et espaces géographique pour porter une parole commune au sein du CSA. Il est précisé aussi que pendant l'année d'expérimentation, il faudra s'attacher à soutenir et à mettre en avant toutes les organisations souvent invisibles d'autant plus qu'elles ne sont pas adhérentes de la Via Campesina ou du FIPA

Fisherfolk

Focal Point(s):

1. Margaret, WFF
2. Herman Kumara, WFFP

Proposed Process to Select the ICC Members:

- Core team of 4 members will take the necessary steps to identify new regional organizations, other than WFF/WFFP by 20th October.[Natalia/Ujani/Margaret/Herman]
- Post the information to the relevant, identified organizations about CFS and get their consent to take part the process by 25th October,
- Form fisher folk council to take part the CFS process by 30th October.
- Identify potential nominees based on the criteria of the CFS CSO mechanism by 5th November.
- Elect two ICC members based on the proposals by 1st December.

The process will be facilitated by Margaret of WFF and Herman of WFFP.

How to address the issues:

- We would encounter problems once we are attempting to broaden the Platform,
- SO far fisher folk organizations are not well recognized. So, need to attempt hard to get the attention at the global level.
- Poor working relationship among the fisheries organizations due to communication problems. Also, inadequate resources to overcome those issues.

What do the group expect from the ICC members:

- Make the fisher people's issues more visible in CFS process.
- Represent common issues of the global level and represent all the artisanal fisher people's issues.
- Effective representation of different sectors.

What Support do we need to perform the services of the CC members:

- Continuous support from the field.
- Information flow and analysis of the issues coming from the grass root groups.
- Fisher folk Council in place with 2 fisher folk CC members.
- Resource will be required to facilitate meetings of CC members with council at least once a year.

Agricultural Workers

Focal Points:

1. Svetlana Boicean, UITA/IUF
2. Alessandra da Costa Lunas, CONTAG
3. Pogurio Chennaiah, CAWI

Participants:

Alessandra: COPRORAM/CONTAG, Brasil

Roberto Pinauin: Coalisao Internacional

Svetlana: IUF

Quara Anulco

Representative organizations that will work as the focal point:

UITA/IUF – CONTAG

International Coalition: Asia Pogurio Chenniah

Until the end of the year we will mobilize other organizations for the consultations process

See what organisations meet the criteria:

- Carry out work with agricultural workers
- Their work has the priority of food security and sovereignty

Women

Focal Point(s):

1. Joan Shivachi and Saro Vijaya Rengam, Asian Rural Women's Coalition
2. Gertrude
3. Jeomsook Goo, La Via Campesina
4. Isabel Seivane, World March of Women
5. Alexandra Spieldoch, WOCAN

Participants:

Caludia-Colombia (2)

ARWC (2)

Gertrude-Uganda-support for women in Agriculture

Khoo-Korea

Myra-Tuscany, Italy (organic agriculture, ICEA)

Francesca-Florence

Concesa-Brazil, WMW

Isabel-Spain, women food producers integration to the global feminist movement

Focus on item #2 (selection processes for the ICC)

How are we going to have the process of consultation to selection for the 2 ICC members. This should be done by December 31.

(review of criteria)

Note: These 2 ICC members should facilitate information to the broader number of women. Nora said that it's a service position so the ICC members will need to consult and make sure that all the women will be able to participate in the process.

Gertrude: There are four continents.

Claudia: There are 2 big groups that are her: WMW that can facilitate flow of information to other women in the world.

Saro: In the regional consultation: we created a focal people that can facilitate nomination to the reference group and will decide among themselves who will sit in the ICC.

Regional participation should be ensured in the reference group then they can decide among themselves who will sit in the ICC.

Since we are talking about Food and security there are already organizations that are there. We make sure that representation of the food producers such through

organizations that work internationally for that.

All of us will take responsibility to identify women from our regional constituency. Focal point would be

Criteria shouldn't be the continents, we should take into consideration based on the constituency.

- We want to make sure that all regions are represented here, following the same criteria.

Focal points: Joan and Saro (ARWC), Gretrude (Africa), Goo (LaVia Campesina), Isabel (WMW), Alexandra (WOCAN)

How are we going to limit the number of women?

How are we going to choose? We have to have some process to make sure that we talk about this so it will not look something artificial, especially that there are women that are not here.

In LatAm was to choose some temporary candidates that will be there for two months and then we send the info and will choose who will be in the ICC.

- People who are here will facilitate the nomination not the nominees—women who would actually know the CSO mechanism, what is the CFS, agenda of the CFS because it's the input of the CFS process. We have until November to decide on this. The nominees will decide among themselves who will go to the ICC by rotation.

We should clarify that the person we are nominating should still follow the criteria.

We want women to be involved in this process especially the food producers.

In selecting who will be the first to sit: we provide a profile of all these women and then they will choose among the profile and choose who will vote.

The focal points will facilitate this process.

The women's constituency said that it should be 50%.

The idea was to strengthen women's representation, if you are talking of food producers for example there women because they are working on the ground so they are bringing the perspective of women in these constituencies. All the other NGOs, regional processes, should ensure that women also participate. We want to make sure of the participation of women in all the constituencies.

This group should strengthen the gender analysis of the CSO mechanisms

Final Process:

All the women who are present during the discussion have the responsibility to send out the information to as many women as possible. The focal points identified will gather all the nominations to the **reference group** (note that the criteria of the ICC members should be followed). The reference group will select among themselves who will sit in the ICC (2 persons) in a rotation term (example 2 years each.) We have to make sure that all the regions are represented in the reference group with emphasis on food producers, etc.

A list serve will be set up for the group.

Youth

Focal Points:

1. George Dixon Fernandez, Coordinator
2. Gonzalo del Castillo, Latin America
3. Claire Quintin, Europe
4. Rabi Aryal and Meenakshi Munda, Asia
5. Melanie Faye, Africa

We have to identify which organizations which has to be involved and consulted in finding CC members

We want to communicate to all participant Youth organizations on Civil Society Forum 2009.

organizations of young producers, rural youth, marginalized youth
Existing youth platforms/networks in different continents
Organization which work with access to land

Proposed other networks and platforms to be consulted

America: Ibero-American youth space, Youth latin American platform, Youth Agrarian Federation, IPC latin America

Asia: JHORD, APIYN, Payaram foundation, ASA, Asian Youth Council, Faith based Youth organizations

Africa: Comac, African Youth Movement, Panarfrican Youth federation

Europe: Reclaim the field, Youth of Via Campesina, Young Friends of the Earth, European Youth Forum/Council

Global: MIJARC, YMCA international, Scouts associations, WAGGGS/WOSM, Youth at the UN YUNGA, ICMYO, Youth sections from producer organizations

Selection Process:

We want few focal points from various continents and to ensure an inclusive process

Mandate of focal points is to spread the message maximum, and to collect the nominees from different organizations and regions. The focal points will have only a facilitation role.

Focal points from each continents who is in charge for contacting other organizations

Coordinating focal point: George Dixon Fernandez

Focal point L-A: Gonzalo del Castillo

Focal point Europe: Nyeleni-Europe – represented by Claire Quintin

Asia: Rabi Aryal, Meenakshi Munda

Africa: Melanie Faye

The nominated persons and focal points will form a reference groups and propose 2 people who will be nominated as CC for the next 1 year

CC members mandate from the constituency perspective:

- Represent not her/his own organization but all youth
- try to get on top of the issue of Youth; emphasize role of youth as the future in agriculture and try to raise the issues which should be improved for youth, access to land especially
- we want self organized youth representatives (youth speaking for youth), maximum age for the representatives is 35

What can the CC expect from us?

- contribute with information both practical and political from a youth situation
 - website/ mailing-list; representatives send questions to the movements and the movements can reply with information on key issues that they are concerned with
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Urban Poor

Focal Point(s):

1. Davinder Lamba, HIC

Participants:

Davinder Lamba, Habitat International Coalition (HIC) / Mazingira Institute (Kenya)

Daniel Gómez, FIAN
Maria Inés Garcia-Reyes from Fedevivienda (Colombia)

The group recommends the creation of a reference group and a three step process for the selection of the members of the Coordinating Committee (CC) from the urban poor constituency.

The reference group shall comprise five or more organizations / networks. Those organizations / networks that were part of the urban poor constituency at the Civil Society Forum 2009, will be urged to constitute the reference group, among others.

The first step of the process will be to prepare a memorandum elaborating the nature of the business to be addressed and the time frame for execution. The second step will be to constitute the reference group, and to make the call for individuals, available and willing to serve on the CC, and who have the required competence and skills. The third step will be the selection of the individuals by the reference group and communication of the outcome.

HIC, the focal point for the Urban Constituency will act as the facilitator and assume the responsibility for the task, through Davinder Lamba, HIC President.

Pastoralists

Focal Point(s):

To be identified during the Global Gathering of Women Pastoralists, (GGWP) in Gujarat, from 21th to 27th November.

NAME	COUNTRY	GROUP
Saoudata Aboubacrine	Mali	Tin Hinan
Akylbek Rakael	Kyrgyzisthan	KSBA
Lalji Desaj	India	Marag/WAMIP
Paola de Meo	Italia	Terra Nuova (NGO)
Maryam Rahmaniam	Iran	Cenesta (NGO)
Khadija Razavi	Iran	Cenesta (NGO)
Fernando Garcia-Dory	Spain	Spanish Shepherds Federation
Reno Alphonse Barbier	Mali	CNOP

Eugenia Gallese	France	GRDR (ONG)
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Regional and Global networks identified so far:

- WAMIP is the only grassroots worldwide pastoralist organisation.
- LIFE Network is international, but formed mainly by technicians, academics, NGOs, etc., it works on livestock but is not on pastoralism.
- Billital Maruve: pastoralist organisation of Burkina-faso, Mali, Niger APS , all Africa (? check) , onli Peul
- ORB - Organisation Regionale du Beteille, West and central Africa
- Tinhinan
- European Shepherds Network, not legally established yet, but carrying coordinated actions.
- Sami Parliament : 16 countries
- Pastoral Parliament, Pakistan, India and Nepal, very well organised, no external funding

There is a mention to other organisations not considered because formed mainly by NGOs not pastoralists, like the almost extinct World Herders Council, the European Foundation for Culture Nature and Pastoralism, Fundacion del Sur...)

We start a discussion on how would give shape to the CSM to serve pastoralists interests. This constituency group will have to choose to representatives before December 31st, first for one year and then each 2 years.

There is an introduction of the role and function of the pastoralists representatives in the Coordination Committee: it's not a representation, but a mediator.

Some questions to arrive to know who could have that role, when thinking on candidates

- Do they have the capacity for this task?
- If not, which capacities or support would they need?
- To follow the criteria established for CSM
- How could get feedback from the communities?
- That person should have communication capacities, speaking a main language, should be a pastoralist from a community, background of the person.
- Terms of reference
- Having followed the process of CFS
- Having the support of certain technical structure to deliver the information etc

We agree that the ideal occasion to identify those representatives will be the next Global Gathering of Women Pastoralists, (GGWP) in Gujarat, from 21th to 27th November.

We agree on trying to nominate after the 1st year of functioning, a council formed by pairs of representatives by regions and gender that would rotate every 2 years.

We will make sure that in the GGWP there will be space and time to explain the CSM, and for the election

NGO

Focal Point(s):

1. Chris Leather - Coordinator
2. Flavio Valente - Latin America
3. Jean Blaylock - Africa
4. Vora Gana Seck - Africa
5. Alberta Guerra - Europe
6. Bastien Laigle - Global
7. Laura Lorenzo - Europe
8. Thiak karyawasam - Southeast Asia
9. Steven Myers - US
10. Georgina Peard - Global
11. Ditdit Pelegrina - Asia
12. Shahidur Rahman - Asia
13. Ayenew Tessera - Africa
14. Jennifer Thompson - Europe
15. Livia Zoli - Europe

NGO Participation in the CSM – Selecting Representatives

Objectives:

What criteria?

What process to select?

Who will facilitate the process?

Concerns/Issues raised:

NGO's have a different make up than other groups; varied typologies; this needs to be reflected in the representation

Support group needed to the representatives for regions and thematic groups

Mapping effort is essential; should be done before selecting the representative if possible

Initial mapping effort should happen, and then a more comprehensive effort should be part of the work programme

Initial lists already exist and should be utilized

Figure out how to involve other or “new” constituencies, such as environmental groups

How will communication between the focal points and the rest of the groups work?
Is a council needed? A support team?

Addressing transition of representatives within a longer term view will need to take into account the frequent turn-over in NGOS

One option is to identify a group of people from whom the successors could be chosen

Need to decide if it is the “person” or the “role” within the representing organization that we are choosing in the event that the representative changes jobs during his or her term; would they keep their role within the CSM anyway or would the role stay with the organization in question?

Should consider some sort of transition period with the incoming and the outgoing representatives so the incoming representatives are up to speed when they assume the role. Should try to take advantage of existing resources as much as possible, for example, nutrition experts could transition in and out of a rotating support group

How will thematic groups be represented? What about national groups versus international NGOs? Or coalition organizations that represent multiple NGOs? Southern groups? When there are only 2 spots?

Representatives present at the meeting are primarily northern based ngo's/representatives

How will we effectively involve and represent southern-based NGOs?

Thematic groups might not be the best way to represent southern ngos as they are not always organized in this manner

If representatives come from northern NGO's they will need to figure out how to liaise with southern ngos

Some groups, eg Concern, are already involved in thematic groups such as nutrition and could provide a nutrition lense

Which constituencies will regional representatives come from?

Major criteria for southern based ngo (or anyone really) should be the capacity to engage (not just willingness)

Should agribusiness-like NGO's be excluded from representation?

Roles and Responsibilities:

Chris Leather, Oxfam will continue to lead with the support of several others

Gene from Acord will support Chris (or be the focal point?)

Flavio – facilitate regional representation/mapping from Latin America

Diti (C-Rice?) – facilitate regional representation/mapping from Asia

NAG (Nutrition Action Group) – Jen from Concern will help integrate nutrition

groups/lens into the mapping

Action Aid: Rutchi and Livia – general support

Laura will help with mapping the NGOS

Cita – help with faith based group mapping

Basian – help with mapping and involvement of the International Forum of Platforms

Karim – help with inclusion of Northern Africa

Ethiopia rep will help with inclusion of Ethiopian NGOS

Other questions/issues to take into consideration:

Should there be rules about northern and southern NGOS? Should there always be one of each? Should there be some sort of rotating rule?

Does the representative need to come from an NGO that has several country connections/programs (eg with a broad reach?); if yes, how many is the minimum?

Does the representative need to come from an NGO network so their reach/network is also very broad and they are already positioned to be communicating with a wide range of stakeholders?

How do you address the overlap with the outreach and mapping efforts of other representative leads? Eg, wouldn't the regional organizations get represented in the regional groups? How reduce overlap and make outreach and consultation effective?

Indigenous People

Focal Point(s):

1. Saúl Vicente Vasquez - UN Permanent Forum on Indigenous Peoples
2. Soudata Aboubacrine - Tin Hinan

En el Foro de la Sociedad Civil, efectuada en noviembre del año 2009 en Roma Italia, se conformo un CAUCUS DE PUEBLOS INDÍGENAS, en el Foro de Pueblos Indígenas por la Soberanía Alimentaria, los cuales establecieron los respectivos representantes por región de América Latina, América del Norte, Europa, Asia, Oceanía, África, etc.

EL CAUCUS DE PUEBLOS INDIGENAS, funciona como todas los CAUCUS existentes en las diversas instancias de las naciones unidas. Como en el Convenio de la Diversidad Biológica, en el Marco de cambio Climático, como en su momento en el Consejo de Derechos Humanos y en el Grupo de Trabajo sobre poblaciones indígenas en Ginebra.

La conformación de este CAUCUS INDIGENA, fue informado en las Naciones Unidas específicamente en el FORO PERMANENTE DE LOS PUEBLOS INDIGENAS en Nueva York, en mayo de este año. En donde se solicito a la FAO y al FIDA para trabajar con los Pueblos Indígenas. De igual manera se informo sobre la

aprobación del documento sobre LA POLITICA DE LA FAO para Pueblos Indígenas, un trabajo que venía empujando el CAUCUS DE PUEBLOS INDÍGENAS.

EL GRUPO DE TRABAJO DE PUEBLOS INDIGENAS, estableció que fuera el CAUCUS de PUEBLOS INDÍGENAS, la instancia que nominaría a los 2 representantes indígenas en el Comité de Coordinación, para ello se dejo como facilitadores a los hermanos SAUL VICENTE Y SUADATA, ambos consultaran con los miembros del Caucus Indígena y nos informarán sobre las decisiones antes del 31 de diciembre del 2010.

Se solicitará a la FAO y al FIDA, para que garantice el trabajo y proceso del CAUCUS de PUEBLOS INDIGENAS.

LOS DESIGNADOS ANTE EL COMITÉ DE COORDINACIÓN TRABAJARA BAJO LAS SOLICITUDES, EXIGENCIAS SURGIDAS DE LAS DECLARACIONES DE LOS PUEBLOS INDÍGENAS SOBRE SOBERANIA ALIMENTARIA DE LOS FOROS Y CONSULTAS REALIZADAS, ASI MISMO COMO DEL PROGRAMA DE TRABAJO SOBRE SEGURIDAD ALIMENTARIA QUE YA TIENE ESTABLECIDA EL FORO PERMANENTE DE LOS PUEBLOS INDÍGENAS.