



## MEETING NOTES

### Role of Leadership Council

- Serve as global champions for C2025
- Provide strategic direction to C2025 Technical Advisory Committee, Secretariat, and partners
- Meet every year physically or virtually, and Shenggen to meet with members individually when he visits their countries/institutions

### Perspectives from C2025 focal countries

- Focal countries are committed to the goals of C2025
- C2025 presents important new opportunities to accelerate progress by
  - providing evidence-based advice for prioritizing policies and investments
  - providing reservoir of knowledge and experience to learn from other countries and adapt lessons to country contexts
- Evidence-based advice must translate into actual implementation
- Knowledge of how to set up implementation management that can help to achieve results faster is required
- Important to improve incentives and put technologies to work
- No one-size-fits-all strategy
- More comprehensive, disaggregated, and timely data on hunger and undernutrition needed across geographies to better understand how to resolve these complex problems
- Countries need technical support, not financial support
- C2025 roundtables are critical to identify priorities and what needs to be scaled up
- Localized C2025 teams must be formed

### Perspectives from UN agencies, NGOs, the private sector, and development partners

- There is an implementation gap and a lot of it has to do with capacities—human, institutional, systems
- Need to bring multiple voices under same tent—C2025 could be this tent
- C2025 can help coordinate efforts in the context of many commitments and initiatives—need to get everyone headed in the same direction
- For value addition, need to show success in relatively short time and work with country-level systems
- Need to make a case for and to show how investing in reducing hunger and undernutrition supports and drives the transformation process at a larger level within countries
- Multistakeholder approach is crucial—especially important to engage the private sector (find out the transformative private sector mechanisms and put them in place) and to integrate farmers' interests
- C2025 will play a critical role in sustaining momentum at the global level—ICN2 follow-up; SUN; SDGs – strong linkages with SDG2 and other SDGs must be made
- South-south cooperation is important—lots of demand, but currently no good systems in place to get knowledge out
- Innovative communications needed to facilitate learning, up-take of lessons, and behavior change

## Discussion

- How to define success?
  - Need to work together to define success and challenge ourselves to succeed
  - Improvement in undernourishment and child stunting indicators—specific country targets are needed as countries are at different stages
  - Rhetoric must translate into action
  - C2025 vision and goals must result in actions that improve key indicators
  - Enhanced institutional capacity is key ingredient for success—institutions needed for delivery and scaling
  - Recognize that problems will shift from rural to urban—be prepared to increasingly tackle hunger and undernutrition in urban areas
  - Accelerating progress is itself a success
- What to expect in the near term?
  - Roundtables convened in each focal country that lead to clear road maps and action plans and outline accountability
  - Platforms established in each focal country
  - Partners on board and committed to take actions
  - Accountability instruments designed to monitor delivery

## Summary

- There is strong political will to end hunger and undernutrition in C2025 focal countries
- Capacity strengthening is a must
- Good data and statistics are critical to prioritize investments, track progress, and provide accountability
- This is a great moment—C2025 can support many other initiatives with evidence-based knowledge

## Next steps

- Complete assessment at the global level of who is doing what
- Conduct scoping exercise to identify knowledge gaps in focal countries
- Launch roundtable discussions with diverse stakeholders in focal countries
- Develop key action plans, progress markers, and accountability instruments
- Set up platforms, including Knowledge and Innovation Hub, in focal countries
- Reconvene at the end of 2016 to assess progress

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