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CUTS Panel Discussion on CIVIL SOCIETY PERSPECTIVES ON FOOD SECURITY: TAKING POLICIES FROM GLASSFRONTS TO GRASSROOTS

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Civil society organisations (CSOs) are one of the few bridges which connect lived experiences of producer communities, consumers and citizens to national policymakers and ultimately, to international rule-shaping. The discourse on food security, and other -surrounding the international economic governance of agriculture, would therefore greatly benefit from a well-informed civil society and grassroots perspective. This Panel Discussion will look at civil society perspectives on food security and examine the role that CSOs can play in all these aspects. It will offer a view on how policymaking can be made inclusive and taken from glassfronts to grassroots on the one hand, and how lived experiences and ground realities can better feed into policymaking and rule-shaping processes nationally and internationally, on the other.

