Introduction and Background:

Localization is the second work stream of the 2016 Grand Bargain commitment, anchored in the Charter for Change and Agenda for Humanity commitments that intend to **increase involvement**, **participation** and **funding** of local humanitarian actors to take **leadership** and **decision making** in emergency response.

The global Food Security Cluster (gFSC) strategy 2023-25 has identified 4 pillars to guide its strategy and achieve by the end of its period: The Triple Nexus: Humanitarian, Developmental and Peace Nexus, **Localization**, Advocacy and Anticipatory Action.

Objectives of the LTF:

FSL C sees localization as a strategy for achieving sustainable food security by ensuring that local actors take leadership and ownership of these efforts in their communities. With this in mind, the FSL C is seeking to establish a Localization Task Force:

- Promote active participation of communities (AAP) and local actors (CBOs, NGOs, local authorities and private sector) in the project life cycle of FSL programs.

- Advocate for a training project that will address the key institutional capacity gaps of NNGOs.

Composition of the Localization Task force:

The LTF will be established under the FSL Cluster and have participation of both National and International NGOs cluster members. The task force will consist of 7 members and the cluster national co coordinator as follows:

- 2 SAG members,

- 1 INGO (with a robust technical localization experience, either in advocacy or in leading and implementing a localization initiative/project)

- 3 NNGO

- 1 WLO

The LTF members will be drawn from the wider FSL C membership but with a proven track record of implementing past or existing localization efforts in country in addition to being active cluster members.
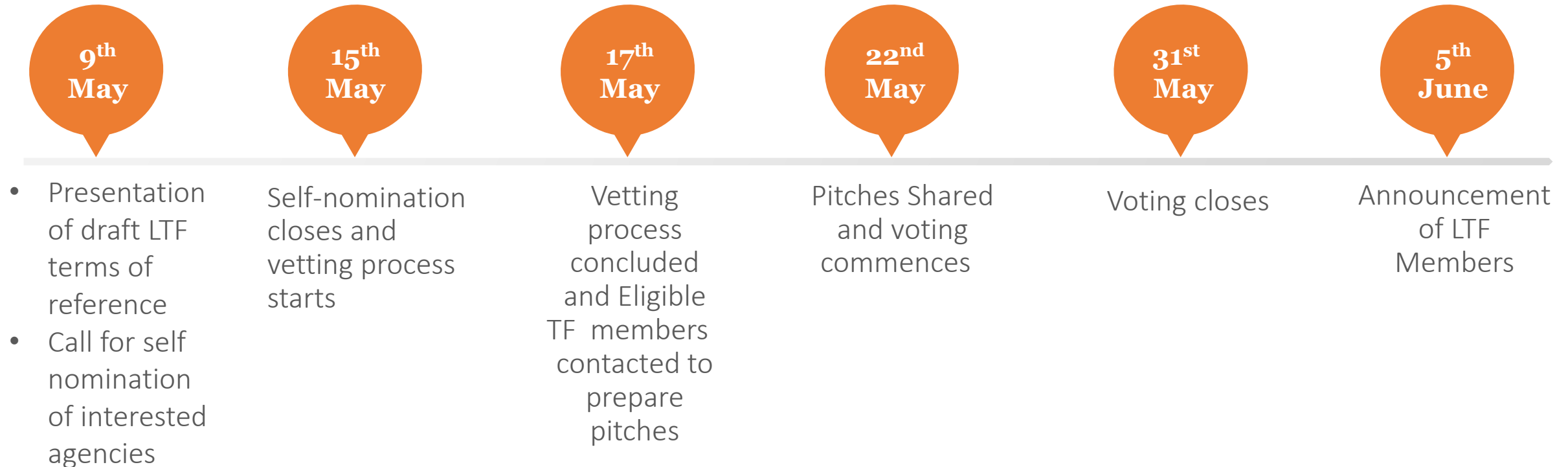
Leadership and Governance:

The LTF will be co-chaired by 1 NNGO (AidLink Organization) and 1 INGO (Action Against Hunger), members of the Strategic Advisory Group, under the technical and policy oversight of the National Co-Coordinator of the FSL C.

LTF membership criteria:

- Is an active member of the FSL cluster as per FSL C membership requirements

- Actively reporting in the cluster 5Ws in the current and/or the last year

- Demonstrated track record in leading and/or implementing localization initiatives or project

LTF Set up Timeline

9th May — Presentation of draft LTF terms of reference; Call for self nomination of interested agencies

15th May — Self-nomination closes and vetting process starts

17th May — Vetting process concluded and Eligible TF members contacted to prepare pitches

22nd May — Pitches Shared and voting commences

31st May — Voting closes

5th June — Announcement of LTF Members

Link to the self nomination form

https://forms.office.com/e/axpT91QEV3