IFAD Corporate Induction
Evaluation Policy 2021

- Prepared by a task force IOE and Management (per Peer Review 2019); for the first time, covers self and independent evaluation*

- Promotes: (i) accountability; (ii) learning; and (iii) collaboration between IOE and Management

### Common principles
(for self and independent evaluation)

- Usefulness
- Impartiality and credibility
- Transparency
- Partnership, consultation and collaboration
- Evaluability
- Value for money / cost effectiveness

* Self eval = by Management; Independent eval = by IOE
Safeguards to IOE’s independence

Three dimensions of independence

Organizational
Avoidance of conflicts of interest
Behavioural

Safeguard elements

- IOE reports to the Executive Board (EB)
- Only the EB can appoint and remove the Director IOE (single tenure, 6 years, no reemployment by IFAD)
- EB and Gov Council approve IOE’s work programme and budget
- Director IOE clears reports without need of external authorization
- Director IOE has autonomy in selecting and managing staff
Objectives

1. Contribute to forge IFAD as a transparent, learning-oriented and accountable organization.

2. Improve evaluation coverage, promote transformative evaluations, ensuring rigour, and cost-effectiveness.

3. Engage with Management, member states and other external partners to support evaluation capacity inside and outside IFAD.

4. Retain and deepen IOE’s position as an internationally recognised leader in rural development evaluation.

Key elements

A) Selectivity of evaluation topics;  B) Rebalancing evaluation products; C) Strengthen engagement with Management; D) Evaluation capacity development; E) Raise the bar.
IOE Strategy - Raising the Bar

Enhancing Quality and Efficiency

- Updated Guidance (New Evaluation Manual)
- Evaluation Advisory Panel for feedback from renowned experts
- Invest in ICT (GIS, software, artificial intelligence)
- Streamline and re-engineer processes and products for greater efficiency (e.g., peer review)
- Enhance use of recommendations: (i) improve quality; (ii) strengthen tracking and ex-post review
- Monitor key areas of IOE performance (Key Performance Indicators)
Differentiated Evaluation Products

Annual Report on Results and Impacts

Corporate Level Evaluations

Evaluation Synthesis

Country-level evaluations and Sub-regional evaluations

Project-level evaluations
Publications

Evaluation reports

- Annual Report on Results and Impact of IFAD Operations (ARRI)
- Corporate-level evaluations (CLEs)
- Project Completion Report Validations (PCRVs)
- Project Performance Evaluations (PPEs)
- Evaluation synthesis reports
- Impact evaluations
- Country strategy and programme evaluations (CSPEs)
Communication and knowledge sharing tools & products

NEWS

Feature:
Evaluation for transformational change award

Latest evaluation reports

Project Performance Evaluations
Support to Agricultural Development and Rural Entrepreneurship Programmes

Impact Evaluations
Community-based Integrated Natural Resources Management Project in Ethiopia

Director's Column

Newsletter

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IOE, 25 November 2021
New IOE website