

## **IFAD** as a Development Finance Institution

January 2021

# **IFAD's Funding Structure**

IFAD's Sources of Financing

Replenishment Contributions

Loan Reflows

Sovereign Loans (SBF)

> Donor Loans (CPLs)

Investment Income

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IFAD is a UN agency and International Financial Institution that provides loans and grants to beneficiary countries. Loans are provided at various degrees of concessionality – from Highly Concessional to Ordinary

- Unlike other UN agencies, IFAD's funding does not come from assessed (or obligatory) contributions
- All contributions are voluntary and negotiated during Member State Consultations that happen once every 3 years
- ODA budgets have remained flat and in some cases declined, which has had repercussions on IFAD's replenishment process, as with other organizations that rely on voluntary contributions
- IFAD has implemented the Sovereign Borrowing (SBF) and Concessional Partner Loan (CPL) Frameworks in order to secure these additional funding needs
- Management with the support of Member States has embarked on a road to continue diversifying IFAD's funding base
- Options are currently being explored, including the pursuit of a credit rating to put IFAD in a better position to raise the level of funding it requires

IFAD11 PoLG (2019-2021)

Grants and DSF \$0.8 billion

Highly Concessional \$1.2 billion

Blend Loans \$0.7 billion

Ordinary Loans \$0.8 billion

Total ~ US\$ 3.5 billion

## Recalling what has brought us here: IFAD's financial reform in practice

### **Growth as a Development Finance Institution**

- Financial Architecture Transformation
- > Transition to capital management (RMO)
- New Liquidity policy
- Asset Liability Management

### **Integrated Borrowing Framework**

- Counterparties and Instruments
- Funding Strategy Alternatives
- Credit Rating Exercise

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IFAD's Financial Strategy

### **Financial Governance & Control**

- Internal Control Framework/Controllership
- Compliance & Anti-Money Laundering
- Process Mapping and Control Self Assessments

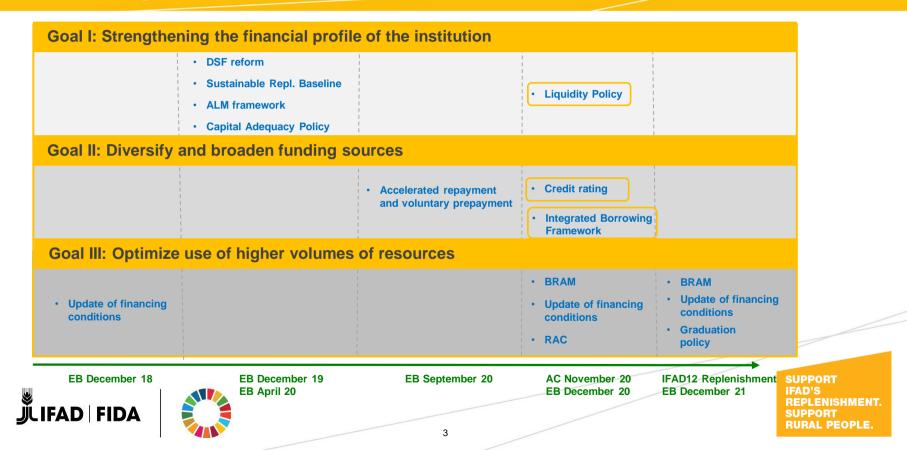
### Sustainable Development Finance

- Debt Sustainability Framework Reform
- Borrowed Resources Access Mechanism (TO-BE)

#### What does this mean for IFAD as a Development Finance Institution

Building the financial capacity required to meet the development goals of the organization, while continuing to meet the needs of our borrowing countries, in a sustainable way.

## The pathway to becoming a Development Finance Institution



# **Liquidity Policy**

What is liquidity	Liquidity is intended as assets in the form of cash and investments in securities that can readily be sold without loss to meet disbursement obligations
Why is a Liquidity policy important for IFAD	<ul> <li>To ensure that IFAD can at all times meet disbursement obligations</li> <li>To ensure that IFAD hold a safe liquidity buffer for unexpected rise in disbursements</li> <li>To ensure that there are contingency plans should liquidity constraints arise</li> </ul>
Immediate and long term implications for IFAD	<ul> <li>IFAD will gradually build up the buffer needed to comply by IFAD12</li> <li>IFAD will have a stronger and more conservative liquidity position</li> </ul>
Connections with other policies	<ul> <li>Deployable capital and liquidity evolution are the pillars for the RAC</li> <li>Capital consumption will be considered in the BRAM allocation</li> </ul>
Main metrics	<ul> <li>Minimum Liquidity Requirement (MLR)</li> <li>Target Liquidity Level (TTL)</li> </ul>





## **Integrated Borrowing Framework**

What is a borrowing framework	A borrowing framework is a policy document that establishes the pillars of borrowing activity, including eligible lenders, maximum thresholds and governance over borrowing proposals
Why is an integrated borrowing framework important for IFAD	<ul> <li>To manage borrowing from all lenders holistically and basted on the same principles</li> <li>To strengthen IFAD's funding profile by adding lenders and borrowing instruments</li> </ul>
Immediate and long term implications for IFAD	<ul> <li>No increase in maximum leverage as this is unchanged</li> <li>Broader pool of lenders, more flexibility of borrowing and more control over financial conditions</li> </ul>
Connections with other policies	<ul> <li>The IBF is a tool to support IFAD's liquidity which in turn is an input into the RAC</li> <li>Borrowing under the IBF will be managed within IFAD's risk appetite and ALM framework</li> <li>BRAM</li> </ul>
Main metrics	<ul> <li>Debt/Equity &lt; 35%</li> <li>Debt coverage ratio &lt; 50%</li> <li>Liquidity ratio: &gt; 5%</li> </ul>
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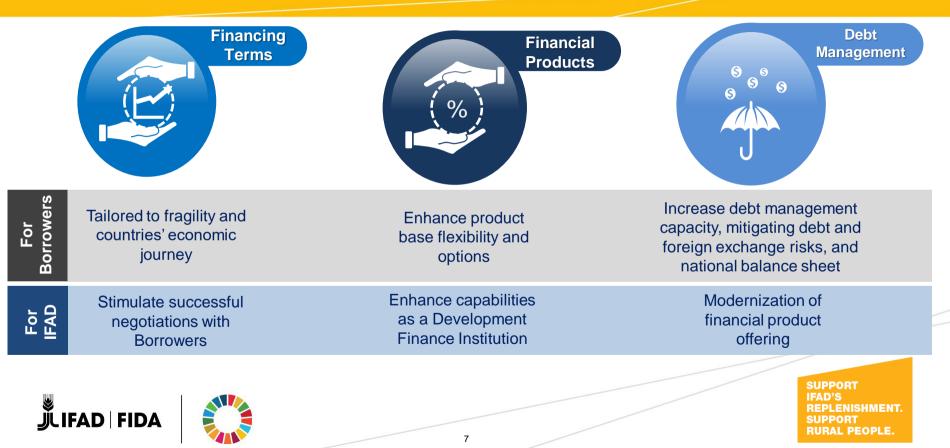
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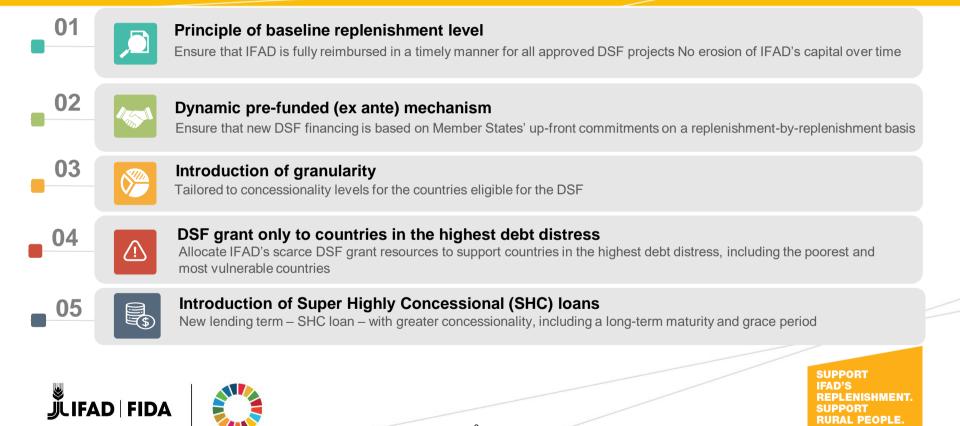
## **Development finance intelligence**



## **Updated Financing Terms**



## **Debt Sustainability Framework Reform**



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## **IFAD's Controllership Function**

	Scope & IFAD Integrated approach on Risk & Control	Highlig	
× ×	<ul> <li>Ensure Internal Control Framework (ICF) Implemented</li> <li>Protect IFAD's clean audit opinion</li> <li>Process mapping, identify, assess and test key controls</li> </ul>	•	
	Share results with Risk Office, Internal Audit		
	Accomplishments in 2020	Internal Control	
*	Process Mapping (40 processes mapped and assessed)	Framework (COSO)	
	<ul> <li>Control Assessments (done for COVID flexibility, Green Climate Fund, Private Sector underway. Questionnaire pilot)</li> </ul>		
	Control Testing (680 access rights assessed, fraud software)		
	<ul> <li>Process failure Incidents (piloted Jan-Dec 2020, with launch Q1 2021)</li> </ul>		
	<ul> <li>Controller's Scorecard (Piloting Sept-Dec 2020 with Vietnam ICO then roll out globally in 2021)</li> </ul>	Control, Fraud	
	Technical Training (trained 80 staff in 19 Divisions in 2020)	Assessments & Testing	
	Awareness and ourreach (so second video and blog)		
7.:	Next Steps for rest of 2020		
	IFAD-wide roll-out of Controller's Scorecard (including process mapping Control Assessments Testing Incidents 8		
	<ul> <li>mapping, Control Assessments, Testing, Incidents &amp; Training/outreach) in 2021</li> <li>Software rollout (TeamMate+ Controls) in Q1-2 2021</li> </ul>	Controller's Scorecard & Tools	
	<ul> <li>Update to Governing Bodies on activities annually, and quarterly on Corporate Risk Dashboard</li> </ul>		

#### **Highlights of the Controllership Function**





Segregation of Duties/

Access Rights



**Process Mapping &** Key Controls



**Corrective Action** Plans & Monitoring



**Training & Culture** 



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**Clean Audit Opinion** 





Incident Reporting

Process failure



### **3rd Party Integrity Due Diligence (Financial Crime)**

(Anti-Money Laundering (AML), Countering Financing Terrorism (CFT) and Sanctions Screening

	IFAD Integrated approach on Risk & Control	Highlights of Financial Crime	
ž	<ul> <li>Ensure Anti-Money Laundering (AML-CFT) Policy Implemented</li> <li>Aims to prevent funds from being misused and reputational damage, financial loss, or legal liability</li> <li>Regular screening against prohibited lists and assessment for AML-CFT</li> </ul>	Integrity Due Diligence Culture	AML-CFT Clauses in
*	Accomplishments in 2020	Diligence Culture	Agreements & Procedures
	<ul> <li>Sanctions Screening (16,500 parties screened)</li> <li>AML-CFT Assessments (2,200 parties assessed)</li> <li>KYC Questionnaire (Piloting Sept-Dec 2020 with Vietnam ICO then roll out globally)</li> </ul>		
	<ul> <li>AML-CFT Clauses in Agreements, Procedures (16 Agreements, NSO framework, Procurement documentation)</li> <li>Technical Training (trained 80 staff in 19 Divisions in 2020)</li> <li>Awareness and outreach (Blog and Divisional staff meeting)</li> </ul>	Training and Culture	Reporting on Corporate Risk Dashboard
7.:	Next Steps for 2021		
	<ul> <li>IFAD-wide roll-out of Financial Crime (including fincrime screening &amp; assessments, KYC questionnaires, legal clauses, training/outreach) in 2021</li> </ul>	Risk Ranking and escalation	Annual Report on Compliance Activities
	<ul> <li>Software rollout (Accuity) in Q1-2 2021</li> <li>Update to Governing Bodies on activities annually, and quarterly on Corporate Risk Dashboard</li> </ul>		





Know-your-customer Questionnaire



**AML-CFT** Assessments & Sanctions Screening



Integration into business processes







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# IFAD receives AA+ rating from S&P and Fitch

# **Fitch**Ratings

**02 Oct 2020** – Fitch Rates International Fund for Agricultural Development 'AA+'; Outlook Stable

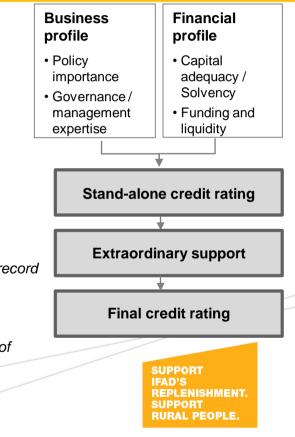
*"IFAD's 'AA+' LT IDR is based on the institution's intrinsic features. IFAD's intrinsic assessment is driven by its solvency ('aa+') and liquidity ('aa+') profiles.* 

The medium-risk business environment does not translate into any notch adjustment to the rating.

Our assessment of IFAD's shareholders' capacity and propensity to support does not provide any uplift above the fund's intrinsic assessment."

### **S&P Global** Ratings

**19 Nov 2020** – International Fund For Agricultural Development Assigned 'AA+/A-1+' Ratings; Outlook Stable



"We consider IFAD's **enterprise risk profile strong,** underpinned by its unique mandate, robust record of membership support through recurrent capital replenishments, and strengthened by a **strong preferred creditor treatment**"

"Our view of IFAD's **financial risk profile** as **extremely strong** takes into consideration our riskadjusted capital (RAC) ratio for IFAD of 90.1% and robust liquidity. However, IFAD lacks a record of accessing market funding."





## So what does this all mean for IFAD



IFAD is now a more resilient development institution, which is now better equipped than ever before to meet the needs of its Member States.

IFAD must maintain: strong member state support, robust governance and adherence to policies, close monitoring of the credit quality of our loan portfolio and PCT, and ensure adequate funding sources to meet growing obligations in a sustainable way.

*IFAD's policy importance as part of the larger development community in its efforts to achieve the 2030 SDGs is now more consolidated than ever before.* 

The AA+ assigned to IFAD by both agencies is an enviable result across all sectors, and across institutions of all sizes and mandates.



