



Briefing Session on IFAD Governance

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About IFAD

- A specialized agency of the United Nations, established as an international financial institution
- The only one of its kind working exclusively in rural areas and partnering with some of the world's poorest people

IFAD invests in rural people

- To enable poor rural women and men to improve their food and nutrition security, increase their incomes and strengthen their resilience
- By advocating for poor rural people and mobilizing funding for projects that transform rural areas, our work contributes to eradicating rural poverty and ending hunger

Source: IFAD at a Glance 2016

A snapshot of IFAD's portfolio

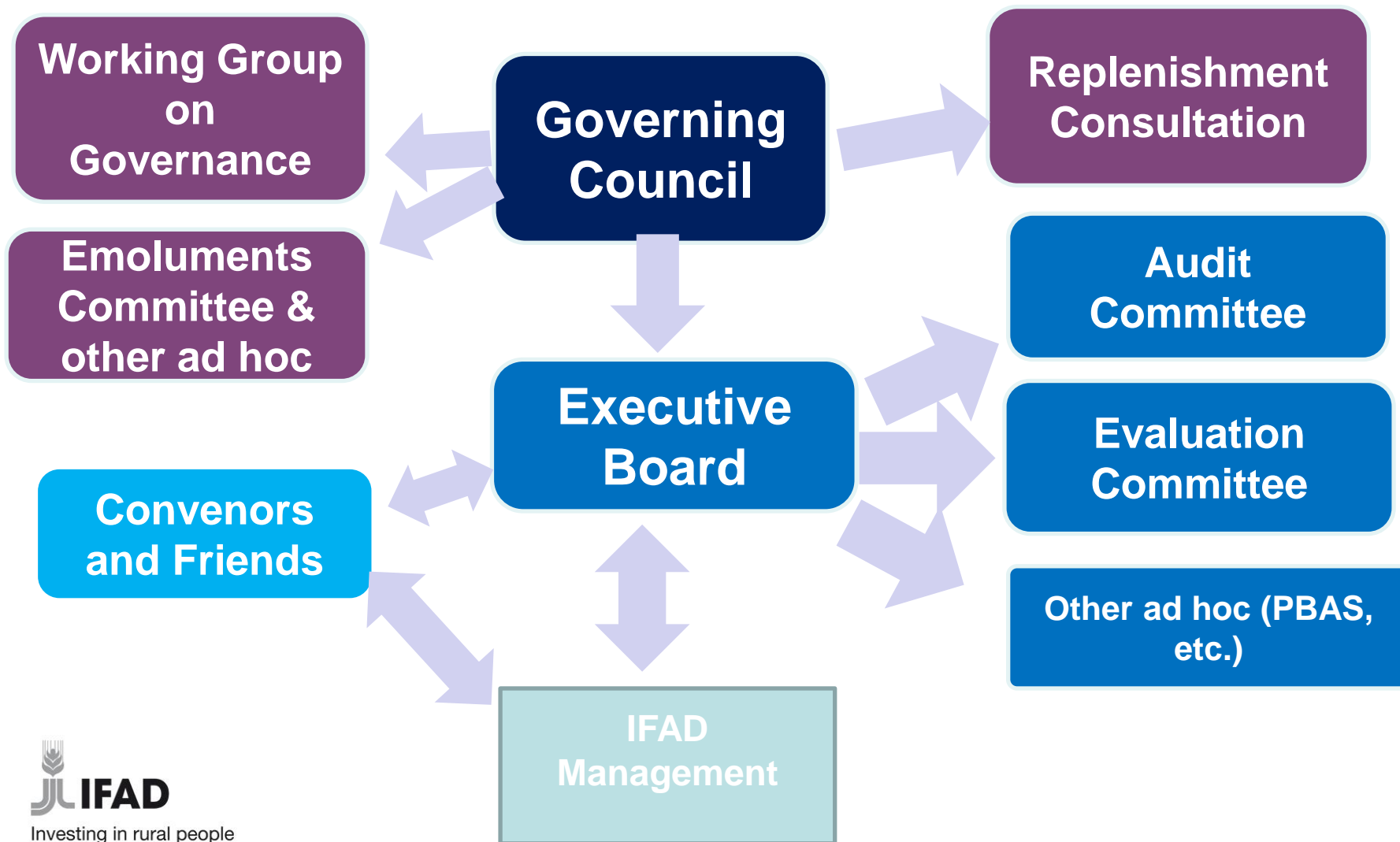
- In 2015, IFAD was supporting 226 programmes and projects in partnership with 98 borrowing governments
- Over nearly 40 years:
 - US\$ 17.6 billion
 - US\$ 25.3 billion cofinancing
 - 1,013 programmes and projects in partnership with 123 borrowing governments
 - Benefitted 459 million people

Source: IFAD at a Glance 2016

IFAD Member States

- Eligibility: all Member States at the United Nations or its specialized agencies are eligible
- Member States at founding: 89 countries
- Current Member States: 176 countries
- Most recent members:
 - 2014: Russian Federation
 - 2015: Federated States of Micronesia, Montenegro, and Republic of Palau

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IFAD Member States

- List A – 25 members
- List B – 12 members
- List C – 139 members
 - Sub-list C1: Africa
 - Sub-list C2: Europe, Asia and Pacific
 - Sub-list C3: Latin America and Caribbean

IFAD's List System

- Representation on Executive Board and subsidiary bodies
- Allocation of new votes in each Replenishment
- Determination of participation in Replenishment consultations
- Informal consultation on governance issues and concerns

Governing Bodies List Composition

- **Executive Board – 36 Members**
 - List A: 8 Members + 8 Alternates
 - List B: 4 Members + 4 Alternates
 - List C: 6 Members + 6 Alternates

- **Replenishment Consultation**
 - List A: All Members
 - List B: All Members
 - List C: 18 Members

Voting Allocation System

- Incentives to increase contributions
- Safeguard the role of developing countries
- Membership votes
- Contribution votes
- Each replenishment generates new votes for allocation