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As communicated to the Executive Board at its ninety-sixth session, the Chairperson of the Board – the President of IFAD – has proposed the implementation of a number of measures to enhance the effectiveness of the Executive Board.

Among these is the proposal that items presented for information will be discussed during a Board session only if deemed necessary by Management or at the specific request of a Board member. Such requests should be submitted in writing to the Secretary of IFAD three weeks before the Board session.

The schedule of work will include only items to be discussed during the Board session (i.e. items for approval, review or confirmation and items for information for which a written request for discussion at the Board has been received) and will be posted on the IFAD website two weeks before the session.

For ease of reference, each agenda item is assigned a letter to indicate the action required of the Board, as follows:

A = For approval

I = For information

R = For review

C = For confirmation

Representatives are invited to note rule 6 of the Rules of Procedure of the Executive Board relative to the distribution of documents:

“...The four-week dispatch limit with respect to documents presented for and requiring action by the Executive Board at a session shall not be exceeded. However, if necessary, information relating to matters that do not require decisions by the Board, or additional information regarding projects, may be provided subsequently.”

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1. Opening of the session
2. Adoption of the agenda **[A]**
3. High-level preview of IFAD's 2012 results-based programme of work and administrative and capital budgets, and the preview of the Independent Office of Evaluation of IFAD's results-based work programme and budget for 2012 and indicative plan for 2013-2014 **[R]**
4. Evaluation
 - (a) Reports of the Chairperson of the Evaluation Committee **[R]**
 - (i) Report of the Chairperson on the sixty-eighth session of the Evaluation Committee
 - (ii) Report of the Chairperson on the progress report on the action plan for the implementation of the findings and recommendations of the Peer Review of IFAD's Office of Evaluation and Evaluation Function
 - (iii) Report of the Chairperson on the country visit to Brazil
 - (b) Action plan for strengthening the self-evaluation system **[I]**
5. President's Report on the Implementation Status of Evaluation Recommendations and Management Actions (PRISMA) **[R]**
6. IFAD Country Presence Policy – Update **[A]**
7. Country strategic opportunities programmes **[R]**
 - (a) Benin
 - (b) China
 - (c) Lao People's Democratic Republic
 - (d) Liberia
 - (e) Mozambique
 - (f) Zambia
8. Resources available for commitment **[A]**
9. Project/programme proposals for consideration by the Executive Board **[A]**
 - (a) West and Central Africa
 - (i) Ghana: Rural Enterprises Programme
 - (ii) Mauritania: Poverty Reduction Project in the Aftout South and the Karakoro Phase II (PASK II)
 - (iii) Senegal: Support to Agricultural Development and Rural Entrepreneurship Programme
 - (b) East and Southern Africa
 - (i) Ethiopia: Rural Financial Intermediation Programme – Phase II
 - (ii) Rwanda: Project for Rural Income through Exports
 - (iii) Zambia: Smallholder Productivity Promotion Programme
 - (c) Asia and the Pacific
 - Bangladesh: Haor Infrastructure and Livelihood Improvement Project

- (d) Latin America and the Caribbean
 - (i) Argentina: Inclusive Rural Development Programme (PRODERI)
 - (ii) Brazil: President's memorandum: Semi-arid Sustainable Development Project in the State of Piauí (Viva o Semi-Árido) – Extension of the time limit for signature of the loan agreement
 - (iii) Ecuador: Buen Vivir in Rural Territories Programme
- 10. Grant under the global/regional grants window to a CGIAR-supported international centre **[A]**
- 11. Planned project activities, including those proposed under the lapse-of-time procedure 2011-2012 **[I]**
- 12. Report on the second session of the Consultation on the Ninth Replenishment of IFAD's Resources **[I]**
- 13. Financial matters
 - (a) Reports of the Audit Committee **[R]**
 - (i) Report on the 119th meeting of the Audit Committee
 - (ii) Report on the 120th meeting of the Audit Committee
 - (b) IFAD's investment policy **[A]**
 - (i) Background note to IFAD's investment policy statement
 - (ii) IFAD's investment policy statement
 - (c) Report on the status of contributions to the Eighth Replenishment of IFAD's Resources **[I]**
 - (d) Report on IFAD's investment portfolio for the second quarter of 2011 **[I]**
- 14. Draft provisional agenda for the thirty-fifth session of the Governing Council **[A]**
- 15. Other business
 - (a) Revision to the minutes of the 101st session of the Executive Board **[A]**
 - (b) Revision to the minutes of the 102nd session of the Executive Board **[A]**
 - (c) Regulatory issues concerning the Credit Union of IFAD Employees **[A]**
 - (d) Election of representatives of the Governing Council to the IFAD Staff Pension Committee **[A]**