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Executive Board — 107th Session
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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. IFAD's 2013 results-based programme of work and regular and capital budgets, the IOE results-based work programme and budget for 2013 and indicative plan for 2014-2015, and the HIPC and PBAS progress reports **[A]**
4. Support to IFAD's governance: Measures and implementation plan for achieving greater efficiency **[A]**
5. Evaluation
 - (a) Corporate-level evaluation on efficiency – Selected findings
 - (b) Reports of the Chairperson of the Evaluation Committee **[R]**
 - (i) Report of the Chairperson on the seventy-third session of the Evaluation Committee
 - (ii) Report of the Chairperson on the seventy-fourth session of the Evaluation Committee
 - (c) Annual Report on Results and Impact of IFAD Operations (ARRI) **[R]**
6. Report on IFAD's Development Effectiveness (RIDE) **[R]**
7. Country strategic opportunities programmes (COSOPs) **[R]**
 - (a) Ghana
 - (b) Honduras
 - (c) Nicaragua
 - (d) Niger
8. Resources available for commitment **[A]**
9. Project/programme proposals for consideration by the Executive Board **[A]**
 - (a) West and Central Africa
 - (i) Benin: Adapted Rural Financial Services Development Project
 - (ii) Burkina Faso: Participatory Natural Resource Management and Rural Development Project in the North, Centre-North and East Regions (Neer-tamba Project)
 - (b) East and Southern Africa

Madagascar: President's memorandum: Support Programme for Rural Microenterprise Poles and Regional Economies (PROSPERER) - supplementary loan
 - (c) Asia and the Pacific
 - (i) Afghanistan: Community Livestock and Agriculture Project
 - (ii) China: Yunnan Agricultural and Rural Improvement Project
 - (d) Latin America and the Caribbean

Guatemala: President's memorandum: Sustainable Rural Development Programme in El Quiché – Extension of the time limit for signature of the financing agreement

- (e) Near East, North Africa and Europe
 - (i) Gaza and the West Bank: President's memorandum: Participatory Natural Resource Management Programme – supplementary grant
 - (ii) Turkey: Murat River Watershed Rehabilitation Project
- 10. Grant under the private-sector grants window to Making Cents International for the Scaling up IFAD Rural Youth Employment Interventions Programme in the NENA Region **[A]**
- 11. Proposed revisions to grants under the global/regional grants window to CGIAR-supported international centres **[A]**
- 12. Progress report on the Spanish Food Security Cofinancing Facility Trust Fund **[I]**
- 13. Planned project activities **[I]**
- 14. Financial matters
 - (a) Report of the 125th meeting of the Audit Committee **[R]**
 - (b) Review of the Lending Policies and Criteria **[A]**
 - (c) IFAD's Investment Policy Statement **[A]**
 - (d) Workplan for IFAD's Office of Audit and Oversight for 2013 **[C]**
 - (e) Question concerning preferred creditor status and the rescheduling of loans **[I]**
 - (f) Status reports **[I]**
 - (i) Report on the status of contributions to the Eighth Replenishment of IFAD's Resources
 - (ii) Report on the status of contributions to the Ninth Replenishment of IFAD's Resources
 - (iii) Report on IFAD's investment portfolio for the third quarter of 2012
- 15. Housing arrangements for the Global Mechanism of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification **[A]**
- 16. Thirty-sixth session of the Governing Council **[A]**
 - (a) Established good practice for the process leading to the appointment of the President of IFAD
 - (b) Revised provisional agenda for the thirty-sixth session of the Governing Council
- 17. Change and Reform **[I]**
 - (a) Update on Change and Reform: Implementation
 - (b) Interim report on the special expenditure for reform actualization
- 18. Other business
 - (a) Proposed dates for sessions of the Executive Board in 2014 **[A]**
 - (b) Procedure for the negotiation, signature and approval of agreements and similar legal instruments **[R]**
 - (c) Applications for non-original membership **[A]**
 - (i) Tuvalu
 - (ii) Republic of Vanuatu

- (d) Authorization to sign an agreement with the Adaptation Fund Board on the Climate Smart Agriculture: Enhancing Adaptive Capacity of the Rural Communities in Lebanon (AgriCAL) project **[A]**
- (e) Election of representatives of the Governing Council to the IFAD Staff Pension Committee **[A]**
- (f) Minutes of the 106th session of the Executive Board **[A]**
 - (i) Revision to the minutes of the 106th session of the Executive Board
 - (ii) Revision to the minutes of the 106th session of the Executive Board (closed session on Global Mechanism)