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Executive Board — 109th Session
Rome, 17-19 September 2013

For: Approval

Recommendation for approval

The Executive Board is invited to submit to the thirty-seventh session of the Governing Council the attached document with the draft resolution contained therein.

Establishment of the Consultation on the Tenth Replenishment of IFAD's Resources

1. Resolution 166/XXXV on the Ninth Replenishment of IFAD's Resources specifies that the period provided for the said Replenishment is the three-year period commencing on 1 January 2013 (paragraph I.(a)).
2. Article 4, section 3, of the Agreement Establishing IFAD provides that, in order to assure continuity in the operations of the Fund, the Governing Council shall periodically review the adequacy of the resources available to the Fund.
3. In order to provide for the timely review of the availability of resources before the expiration of the Ninth Replenishment period, a draft resolution to establish a Consultation on the Tenth Replenishment of IFAD's Resources should be considered by the Executive Board and subsequently submitted to the Governing Council, together with the Board's recommendations thereon, for consideration and adoption.
4. Based on the favourable experiences with an external chair during the Consultations on the Ninth Replenishment, it is recommended that the Executive Board select an external chair to be recommended to the Governing Council. It is similarly recommended that the Executive Board select Mr Johannes Linn as the candidate for the external chair to be recommended to the Governing Council.
5. Should the Executive Board endorse these proposals, it is hereby invited to approve the submission of the attached draft report and draft resolution to the Governing Council at its thirty-seventh session in February 2014.
6. The Secretariat will prepare the necessary documentation for the consideration of the Consultation, outlining IFAD's past and current operations, the programme and policy focus of the Fund's operations and the future resource requirements of the Fund.
7. Consultation sessions will be held in 2014 and the Consultation's recommendations will be reported to the thirty-eighth session of the Governing Council in 2015. Four substantive sessions are expected to suffice to conclude the IFAD10 negotiations. Accordingly, and in consultation with the secretariats of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO) and the World Food Programme (WFP), the following dates are proposed:

First session:	Thursday and Friday, 20-21 February 2014
Second session:	Thursday and Friday, 22-23 May 2014 or Monday and Tuesday, 30 June – 1 July 2014
Third session:	Thursday and Friday, 23-24 October 2014
Fourth session:	Thursday and Friday, 18-19 December 2014

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Governing Council — Thirty-seventh Session
 Rome, 19-20 February 2014

For: **Approval**

Recommendation for approval

The Governing Council is invited to consider and adopt the draft resolution contained in the attachment.

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2. Article 4, section 3, of the Agreement Establishing IFAD provides that, in order to assure continuity in the operations of the Fund, the Governing Council shall periodically review the adequacy of the resources available to the Fund.
3. In order to provide for the timely review of the availability of resources before the expiration of the Ninth Replenishment period, the attached draft resolution to establish a Consultation on the Tenth Replenishment of IFAD's Resources was considered by the Executive Board at its 109th session in September 2013, which recommended its further consideration and approval by the Governing Council.
4. Based on the favourable experiences with an external chair during the Consultations on the Ninth Replenishment, the Executive Board selected an external chair to be recommended to the Governing Council. Similarly the Executive Board recommended the selection of Mr Johannes Linn as the external chair.
5. The Secretariat will prepare the necessary documentation for the consideration of the Consultation, outlining IFAD's past and current operations, the programme and policy focus of the Fund's operations and the future resource requirements of the Fund.

Draft resolution on the Establishment of the Consultation on the Tenth Replenishment of IFAD's Resources

Resolution .../XXXVII

Establishment of the Consultation on the Tenth Replenishment of IFAD's Resources

The Governing Council of IFAD,

Recalling article 4, section 3, of the Agreement Establishing IFAD, which provides that, in order to assure continuity in the operations of the Fund, the Governing Council shall periodically review the adequacy of the resources available to the Fund;

Further recalling that the period established by Governing Council resolution 166/XXXV for the Ninth Replenishment of the Fund's resources will conclude on 31 December 2015;

Having considered the statement of the President on the need for a review of the adequacy of the resources available to the Fund and document GC.....thereon;

Having further considered the need for the establishment of a Consultation on the Tenth Replenishment of IFAD's Resources;

Decides that:

1. A Consultation on the Tenth Replenishment of IFAD's Resources ("the Consultation") shall be established, chaired by Mr Johannes F. Linn, to review the adequacy of the Fund's resources and to report to the Governing Council. The tasks of the chair of the Consultation are annexed to this resolution.
2. The first session of the Consultation shall be held on
3. The Consultation shall consist of all Member States from Lists A and B and 18 Member States from List C, the latter to be appointed by the members of List C and communicated to the President no later than..... The Consultation may subsequently invite such other Member States to participate in the Consultation as may facilitate its deliberations.
4. The Consultation shall submit a report on the results of its deliberations and any recommendations thereon to the thirty-eighth session and, if required, subsequent sessions of the Governing Council, with a view to adopting such resolutions as may be appropriate.
5. The President is requested to keep the Executive Board informed of the progress of the deliberations of the Consultation.
6. The President and the staff are requested to provide such assistance to the Consultation as may be necessary for the effective and efficient discharge of its functions.

Tasks of the Chair of the Consultation

Under the authority of the Consultation on the Tenth Replenishment of IFAD's Resources, the chair will:

- (a) Chair formal consultation meetings;
- (b) With the support of the Secretariat, synthesize discussions and prepare the chair's summary of each meeting, concisely and accurately reflecting the status of negotiations;
- (c) Ensure that the final report and recommendations of the Consultation respond to the terms of reference of the Consultation – as set forth in the present resolution – and conform to the Agreement Establishing IFAD and other basic documents adopted by the Governing Council;
- (d) Oversee all aspects of the Consultation meetings, discussions and deliberations, including providing guidance and support to the Secretariat of the Governing Council;
- (e) Critically review and comment on draft documentation and reports prepared for each consultation, ensuring good quality control and strategic coherence;
- (f) Lead and facilitate discussions and negotiations among the membership, as well as between IFAD's leadership and the membership, to build consensus to achieve successful outcomes for the review of the adequacy of the resources of the Fund; and
- (g) Work with the President and staff on the preparations for meetings or negotiations to ensure issues are presented effectively.