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Executive Board — 113th Session
Rome, 15-16 December 2014

For: Approval

Recommendation for approval

The Executive Board is invited to approve the recommendation contained in paragraph 6.

Proposed dates for sessions of the Executive Board in 2016 and amendment to dates for the Executive Board session in December 2015

Proposed dates for sessions of the Executive Board in 2016

1. The following dates are proposed for the Executive Board sessions to be held in 2016:
 - 117th Session Wednesday, 13 and Thursday, 14 April 2016
 - 118th Session Wednesday, 21 and Thursday, 22 September 2016
 - 119th Session Wednesday, 14 and Thursday, 15 December 2016

While specific dates are proposed, Executive Board representatives will note that the entire week has been reserved on the calendar of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO)/IFAD/World Food Programme (WFP) governing bodies and other main sessions, to ensure flexibility in order to accommodate the workload of the meeting and surrounding events such as informal seminars held in conjunction with the Board session.

Amendment to dates for the Executive Board session in December 2015

2. At its 110th session in December 2013, the Executive Board approved the calendar for 2015 sessions of the Executive Board.
3. The dates for the 116th session of the Executive Board, previously set as 9 and 10 December 2015, will need to be changed owing to unforeseen scheduling conflicts. In consultation with the secretariats of FAO and WFP, the following new dates are proposed:
 - 116th Session Wednesday, 16 and Thursday, 17 December 2015
4. A revised calendar of FAO/IFAD/WFP governing bodies and other main sessions for 2015 and 2016 is provided for information in the appendix. Prepared in consultation with the secretariats of FAO and WFP, it endeavours to harmonize the timing of the various governing bodies and other high-level meetings that require the participation of Rome-based permanent representatives.
5. Finally, Executive Board representatives are informed that the thirty-ninth session of the Governing Council is scheduled for Wednesday, 17 and Thursday, 18 February 2016.

Recommendation

6. The Executive Board is requested to approve the dates for its sessions in 2016 and the dates for the December 2015 session as proposed above.

Provisional calendar of FAO/IFAD/WFP governing bodies and other main sessions, 2015-2016

	2015		2016	
JANUARY	15 CGRFA	19-23		
FEBRUARY	WFP IFAD/GC 100 CCLM	9-13 15-19 23-25	WFP IFAD/GC 34 LARC	8-12 15-19 22-26
MARCH	157 FC 117 PC 151 CL	9-13 9-13 23-27	33 APRC 102 CCLM	7-11 14-16
APRIL	IFAD/EB	20-24	29 ARC IFAD/EB 33 NERC	4-8 11-15 17-21
MAY	WFP	25-29	30 ERC 159 FC 119 PC WFP 154 CL	2-5 16-20 16-20 23-27 30/5 - 3/6
JUNE	39 C 152 CL	6-13 15	39 CODEX	27/6-2/7 (Rome)
JULY	38 CODEX	6-11 (Geneva)	32 COFI 23 COFO	11-15 18-22
AUGUST				
SEPTEMBER	IFAD/EB 101 CCLM	14-18 28-30	IFAD/EB 25 COAG	19-23 26-30
OCTOBER	42 CFS WFD	12-17 16 (Friday)	71 CCP WFD 43 CFS 103 CCLM	3-5 17 (Monday) 17-22 24-26
NOVEMBER	158 FC* 118 PC* WFP 153 CL	2-6 2-6 9-13 30/11-04/12	159 FC 120 PC WFP	7-11 7-11 14-18
DECEMBER	IFAD/EB*	14-18	155 CL IFAD/EB	5-9 12-16

Easter: 5 April 2015
 Ramadan: 18 June – 16 July 2015
 Eid Al-Fitr: 17 July 2015
 Eid Al-Adha: 23 September 2015

Easter: 27 March 2016
 Ramadan: 6 June – 5 July 2016
 Eid Al-Fitr: 6 July 2016
 Eid Al-Adha: 11 September 2016

APRC	Regional Conference for Asia and the Pacific	ERC	Regional Conference for Europe
ARC	Regional Conference for Africa	FC	Finance Committee
C	Conference	ICN2	International Conference on Nutrition
CCLM	Committee on Constitutional and Legal Matters	IFAD/EB	IFAD Executive Board
CCP	Committee on Commodity Problems	IFAD/GC	IFAD Governing Council
CFS	Committee on World Food Security	INARC	Informal Regional Conference for North America
CGRFA	Commission on Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture	LARC	Regional Conference for Latin America and the Caribbean
CL	Council	NERC	Regional Conference for the Near East
COAG	Committee on Agriculture	PC	Programme Committee
CODEX	Codex Alimentarius Commission	WFD	World Food Day
COFI	Committee on Fisheries	WFP	World Food Programme Executive Board
COFO	Committee on Forestry		

* Change compared to the calendar submitted to the previous session of the Executive Board