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1. The information provided in this document is intended to enable representatives to keep abreast of developments in IFAD's country, programme, project and grant pipeline and, if they wish, comment on planned operations at an early stage of the development cycle.
2. Part I
 - Table 1 of this document provides a comprehensive listing of all projects and programmes that have entered the pipeline as part of results-based country strategic opportunities programmes (COSOPs) or after project concept notes.
 - Table 2 reports on the official pipeline of county-specific and global/regional grants.
3. Part II
 - The table provides the list of planned COSOPs and planned country strategy notes.¹
4. The document also reports on specific planned activities under the Adaptation for Smallholder Agriculture Programme (ASAP).²

Overview

5. Interventions during the first year of the Tenth Replenishment of IFAD's Resources (IFAD10) will focus on the priority areas and strategic objectives (SOs) in the IFAD Strategic Framework 2016-2025. Investments will feature activities that will lead to: (i) an increase in rural people's productive capacities (SO1); (ii) increased benefits from market participation (SO2); and (iii) strengthened environmental sustainability and climate resilience of rural populations (SO3). These objectives will be embedded in the relevant COSOPs or concept notes.
6. This document includes 47 financing activities in support of a total of 36 projects and programmes currently in IFAD's official pipeline for 2016-2017, amounting to US\$718 million. Figure 1 provides information on the number of planned financing activities by type of financing; and figure 2 illustrates the value and number of projects in the official pipeline in each geographical region.
7. New interventions will be added to the pipeline for approval in 2016-2017 once concept notes are approved by the Operational Strategy and Policy Guidance Committee (for both projects and grants) or as they enter the pipeline as part of COSOPs.

¹ In line with the new COSOP guidelines, all countries with which IFAD maintains active engagement require a country strategy, either in the form of a COSOP, or a country strategy note (CSN) in cases where a Member State and IFAD are unable to define detailed objectives or develop a programme for the medium term. CSNs are prepared when (a) there is uncertainty about the scope of IFAD's engagement in the country; (b) the country has no medium-term development strategy to frame IFAD's support; (c) IFAD has insufficient country knowledge, for instance, because of a long period of limited or no engagement with the country; (d) the country is going through an unusually uncertain period (e.g. pre-election, social crisis, natural disaster) or is in conflict; or (e) IFAD is seeking to align the COSOP period with that of key government strategy documents or with the country's political cycle. In addition, at Management's decision, CSNs can also be prepared for countries with an allocation under the performance-based allocation system (PBAS) equal to or below US\$5 million. CSNs are expected to be transitional documents, and most country teams are expected to eventually – when the above conditions no longer apply – transition to full COSOPs. All approved CSNs will be submitted to the Executive Board for information.

² www.ifad.org/climate/asap.

Figure 1
Total value and number of financing activities for investment projects in the official pipeline as at 3 March 2016
 (Millions of United States dollars)

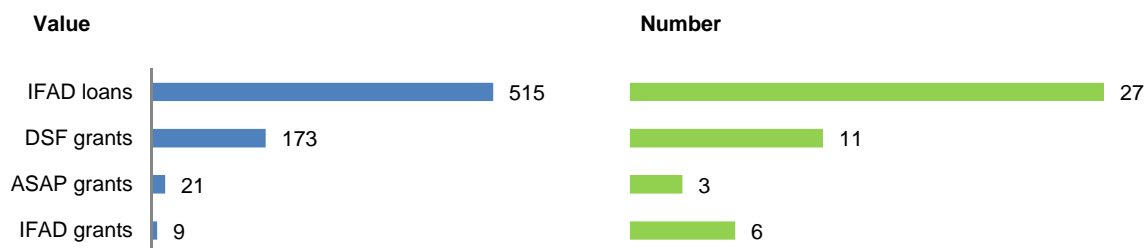
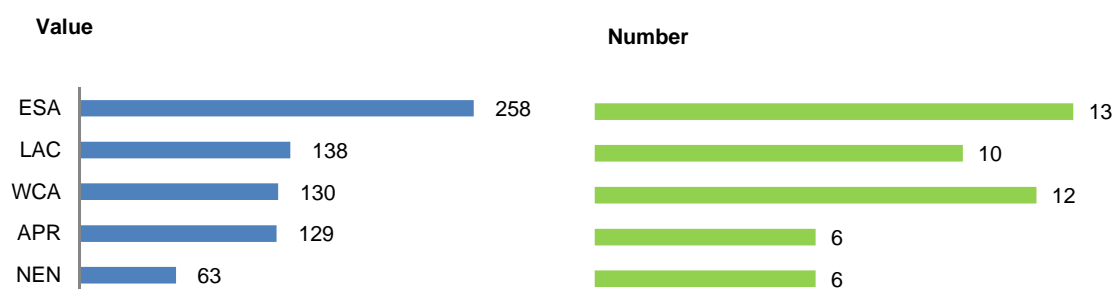


Figure 2
Total value and number of financing activities in the official pipeline by region as at 3 March 2016
 (Millions of United States dollars)



Note 1: ESA: East and Southern Africa Division; LAC: Latin America and the Caribbean Division; WCA: West and Central Africa Division; APR: Asia and the Pacific Division; NEN: Near East, North Africa and Europe Division.

Note 2: Source for figures 1 and 2: Grants and Investment Projects System (GRIPS).

Adaptation for Smallholder Agriculture Programme (ASAP)

8. ASAP is a multi-donor, climate change adaptation programme established by means of a trust fund within IFAD to channel climate and environmental finance to smallholder farmers. Launched in 2012, ASAP is now a fully mainstreamed and integrated programme.
9. The programme aims to improve the climate resilience of large-scale rural development programmes and the capacity of at least 8 million smallholder farmers to expand their livelihood options in a rapidly changing environment. It is well positioned to increase the climate resilience of IFAD's new investments. ASAP embodies one of the most concrete and decisive steps that any United Nations agency has undertaken to transform itself into a truly climate-smart organization.
10. Since 2012, the Executive Board has approved US\$285 million worth of new ASAP investments in 36 vulnerable countries: Bangladesh, Benin, Bhutan, the Plurinational State of Bolivia, Burundi, Cambodia, Chad, Côte d'Ivoire, Djibouti, Ecuador, Egypt, El Salvador, The Gambia, Ghana, Kenya, Kyrgyzstan, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Lesotho, Liberia, Madagascar, Malawi, Mali, Morocco, Mozambique, Nepal, Nicaragua, Niger, Nigeria, Paraguay, Rwanda, Sudan, Tajikistan, the United Republic of Tanzania, Uganda, Viet Nam and Yemen.
11. Three ASAP grants with a total financial volume of US\$21 million are in the pipeline for approval in 2016: Cabo Verde, Ethiopia and Mauritania. For 2016/2017, design activities are under way for interventions totalling US\$30 million for Burkina Faso, Cameroon, Republic of Moldova, Myanmar and the Pacific Islands (with a regional grant).

Part I

Table 1
Programmes and projects proposed for approval in 2016 and 2017
 As at 3 March 2016

<i>Country</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Planned approval</i>	<i>Status</i>	<i>Next milestone</i>	<i>Financing type</i>	<i>Planned amount (United States dollars)</i>	<i>Primary IFAD contact</i>
ASIA AND THE PACIFIC							
Cambodia	Accelerating Inclusive Markets for Smallholders	Dec 2016	Concept approved	Quality enhancement approval	IFAD loan	36 694 308	Benoît Thierry
Lao People's Democratic Republic	Northern Smallholder Livestock Commercialization Project	Intersession Oct-Dec 2016	Concept approved	Quality enhancement approval	IFAD loan	9 999 999	Benoît Thierry
Mongolia	Project for Market and Pasture Management Development	Intersession May-Sep-2016	Additional financing	Quality enhancement/assurance approval	Additional IFAD loan	9 060 140	Matteo Marchisio
Philippines	Second Cordillera Highland Agricultural Resource Management Project (CHARMP2)	Intersession Jan-Apr 2016	Additional financing	Quality enhancement/assurance approval	Additional IFAD loan	10 300 000	Tawfiq El-Zabri
Sri Lanka	Iranamadu Irrigation Development Project	Intersession Jan-Apr 2017	Additional financing	Quality enhancement/assurance approval	Additional IFAD loan	20 000 000	Hubert Boirard
Viet Nam	Commercial Smallholder Support Programme in Bac Kan and Cao Bang	Sep 2016	Concept approved	Quality enhancement	IFAD loan	43 238 283	Henning Pedersen
EAST AND SOUTHERN AFRICA							
Burundi	Project to Support Financial Agricultural Inclusion in Burundi	Sep 2016	Concept approved	Quality enhancement approval	Debt Sustainability Framework (DSF) grant	30 000 000	Rym Ben Zid
Comoros	Agricultural Value Chains Development Programme	Intersession May-Sep 2016	Concept approved	Quality enhancement approval	IFAD loan	3 000 000	Valantine Achancho
Eritrea	Fisheries Resources Management Programme	Intersession Oct-Dec 2016	Concept approved	Quality enhancement approval	DSF grant	15 000 000	Eric Rwabidadi
	National Agriculture Project	Intersession May-Sep-2017	Additional financing	Quality enhancement/assurance approval	Additional DSF grant	4 074 351	Eric Rwabidadi
Ethiopia	Participatory Small-scale Irrigation Development Programme II	Sep 2016	Concept approved	Quality enhancement approval	IFAD loan	102 019 440	Han Ulac Demirag
					IFAD grant	1 500 000	
					ASAP grant	11 000 000	
					Total	114 519 440	

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Madagascar	Support to Farmers' Professional Organizations and Agricultural Services Project (AROPA)	Intersession Jan-Apr 2016	Quality assurance approved	Executive Board approval	Additional IFAD loan	11 000 000	Ghachem Kadari
Rwanda	Rwanda Dairy Development Project	Sep 2016	Concept approved	Quality enhancement approval	IFAD loan IFAD grant	35 000 000 1 090 865	Francisco Pichon
					Total	36 090 865	
	Project for Rural Income through Exports	Intersession Oct-Dec 2017	Additional financing	Quality enhancement/assurance approval	Additional IFAD loan	18 869 576	Francisco Pichon
Zimbabwe	Smallholder Irrigation Revitalization Programme	Sep 2016	Concept approved	Quality enhancement approval	DSF grant	25 456 158	Thomas Rath
LATIN AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN							
Brazil	Agricultural Development and Poverty Reduction in the State of Maranhão	Intersession Oct-Dec 2016	Concept approved	Quality enhancement approval	IFAD loan	20 000 000	Paolo Silveri
	Productive transformation of the Zona da Mata and Agreste Territories in the North-Eastern State of Pernambuco	Intersession May-Sep-2017	Concept approved	Quality enhancement approval	IFAD loan	20 000 000	Paolo Silveri
Cuba	Livestock Development Project in the Central Eastern Region	Intersession Oct-Dec 2016	Concept approved	Quality enhancement approval	IFAD loan	11 900 000	Lars Anwandter
El Salvador	National Programme of Rural Economic Transformation II	Intersession May-Sep 2016	Concept approved	Quality enhancement approval	IFAD loan	14 508 111	Glayson Ferrari dos Santos
Haiti	Rural Entrepreneurship Support Project (PAER)	Intersession May-Sep 2016	Quality assurance approved	Loan negotiations	IFAD loan DSF grant	6 040 204 6 040 204	Lars Anwandter
					Total	12 080 408	
Nicaragua	Sustainable Livelihoods for Family Farming in the Dry Corridor of Nicaragua	Intersession May-Sep 2016	Concept approved	Quality enhancement approval	DSF grant	20 504 448	Ladislao Rubio
Paraguay	Inclusion of Family Farming in Value Chains Project	Intersession Jan-Apr 2017	Additional financing	Quality enhancement/assurance approval	Additional IFAD loan Additional IFAD grant	10 000 000 500 000	Claus Reiner
					Total	10 500 000	
Peru	Sustainable Territorial Development Project	April 2016	Negotiated	Executive Board approval	IFAD loan	28 769 352	Jesús Quintana

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NEAR EAST, NORTH AFRICA AND EUROPE							
Djibouti	Surface Water and Soil Management Programme	Intersession May-Sep 2016	Quality enhancement approved	Quality assurance approval	IFAD loan	5 773 683	Annabelle Lhommeau
					IFAD grant	300 000	
					Total	6 073 683	
Kyrgyzstan	Access to Market Programme	Dec 2016	Concept approved	Quality enhancement approval	IFAD loan	12 714 000	Frits Jepsen
					DSF grant	12 714 000	
					Total	25 428 000	
Sudan	Butana Integrated Rural Development Project	Intersession May-Sep 2016	Additional financing	Quality enhancement/assurance approval	Additional DSF grant	10 500 000	Hani Elsadani
	Rural Finance Development Project	Intersession May-Sep 2017	Concept approved	Quality enhancement approval	DSF grant	21 000 000	
WEST AND CENTRAL AFRICA							
Cameroon	Ecological Entrepreneurship Project	Intersession Jan-Apr 2017	Concept approved	Quality enhancement approval	IFAD loan	5 000 000	Bernard Hien
	Youth Agropastoral Entrepreneurship Promotion Programme.	Intersession May-Sep 2017	Additional financing	Quality enhancement/assurance approval	Additional IFAD loan	25 000 000	
Cabo Verde	Rural Socio-economic Opportunities Programme	Intersession May-Sep 2016	Additional financing	Quality enhancement/assurance approval	Additional IFAD loan	5 557 000	Luyaku Nsimpati
					Intersession Oct-Dec 2016	Additional financing	
		Total	9 557 000				
Guinea-Bissau	Economic Development Project for the Southern Regions	Intersession May-Sep 2017	Additional financing	Quality enhancement/assurance approval	Additional IFAD loan	2 750 000	Aissa Toure
					Additional DSF grant	2 750 000	
					Total	5 500 000	
Mauritania	Inclusive Value-Chains and Interprofessional Bodies Promotion Project	Intersession Oct-Dec 2016	Concept approved	Quality enhancement approval	DSF grant	15 000 000	Philippe Remy
					ASAP grant	6 000 000	
					Total	21 000 000	

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Niger	Family Farming Development Programme (ProDAF) in the regions of Maradi, Tahoua and Zinder	Intersession Jan-Apr 2016	Quality assurance approved	Executive Board approval	Additional IFAD loan	12 400 000	Vincenzo Galastro
					Additional DSF grant	12 400 000	
					Total	24 800 000	
Sao Tome and Principe	Smallholder Commercial Agriculture Project	Intersession Jan-Apr 2016	Quality assurance approved	Executive Board approval	Additional IFAD grant	3 000 000	Vincenzo Galastro
Senegal	Support to Agricultural Development and Rural Entrepreneurship Programme	Intersession Oct-Dec 2016	Additional financing	Quality enhancement/assurance approval	Additional loan	18 000 000	Luyaku Nsimpati
	Agricultural Value Chains Support Project - Extension	Intersession Oct-Dec 2017	Additional financing	Quality enhancement/assurance approval	Additional loan	18 000 000	Luyaku Nsimpati

Table 2

Country-specific and global/regional grants proposed for approval during the 2016 Executive Board intersessions

As at 3 March 2016

<i>Department/division</i>	<i>Grant title</i>	<i>Proposed Recipient</i>	<i>Planned grant amount (United States dollars)</i>
Near East, North Africa and Europe Division (NEN)	Productivity Enhancing Technologies to Improve Pastoralists and Agro-Pastoralists Livelihoods in Drylands	To be determined	2 000 000
Policy and Technical Advisory Division (PTA)	Engaging Diaspora Communities to Support Youth Employment in their Home Countries	To be determined	1 500 000
	Improving Rural Financial Inclusion through Cooperatives	To be determined	2 660 000
Strategy and Knowledge Department (SKD)	Challenges and Opportunities for Rural Youth employment in sub-Saharan Africa: a mixed-method study to inform policy and programmes	To be determined	1 500 000
	Youth Researching Youth: Competitive Fellowships for Young African Agricultural Economists Researching Rural Youth in Agribusiness in Africa	To be determined	2 025 000

Part II

Table 1
Planned COSOPs and planned Country Strategy Notes 2016-2017
 As at 3 March 2016

<i>Country</i>	<i>Planned timing for Executive Board review/information</i>	<i>Primary IFAD contact</i>
ASIA AND THE PACIFIC		
COSOPs		
China	September 2016	Matteo Marchisio
India	December 2016	Rasha Omar
Indonesia	September 2016	Ronald Hartman
Lao People's Democratic Republic	September 2016	Benoît Thierry
Pakistan	September 2016	Hubert Boirard
Philippines	September 2017	Omer Zafar
Country Strategy Notes		
Mongolia	September 2016	Matteo Marchisio
Tonga	December 2016	Ron Hartman
Vanuatu	September 2016	Ron Hartman
EAST AND SOUTHERN AFRICA		
COSOPs		
Angola	September 2017	Abla Benhammouche
Burundi	April 2016	Rym Ben Zid
Ethiopia	December 2016	Ulac Demirag
Malawi	September 2016	Thomas Rath
Swaziland	September 2017	Thomas Rath
United Republic of Tanzania	April 2016	Francisco Pichon
Zimbabwe	September 2017	Thomas Rath
Country Strategy Notes		
Botswana	December 2016	Robson Mutandi
South Africa	December 2016	Robson Mutandi
Zimbabwe	September 2016	Thomas Rath
LATIN AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN		
COSOPs		
Argentina	September 2016	Claus Reiner
Brazil	April 2016	Paolo Silveri
Colombia	September 2016	Jesús Quintana
Dominican Republic	December 2017	Rubio Ladislao
Guatemala	April 2017	Glaysen Ferrari dos Santos
Peru	December 2017	Juan Moreno
Country Strategy Notes		
Belize	December 2016	Glaysen Ferrari dos Santos
Cuba	September 2016	Lars Anwandter
Guyana	December 2016	Rubio Ladislao

NEAR EAST, NORTH AFRICA AND EUROPE

COSOPs

Turkey	September 2016	Abdelhamid Abdouli
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Country Strategy Notes

Djibouti	September 2016	Annabelle Lhommeau
Jordan	September 2016	Tarek Kotb
Kyrgyzstan	September 2016	Fritz Jepsen
Lebanon	April 2017	Tarek Kotb
Montenegro	December 2016	Annabelle Lhommeau
Tajikistan	December 2016	Fritz Jepsen
Tunisia	September 2016	Patrick Herlant
Uzbekistan	April 2017	Fritz Jepsen

WEST AND CENTRAL AFRICA**COSOPs**

Democratic Republic of the Congo	September 2017	Pascal Kabore
Liberia	September 2016	Ndaya Beltchika
Nigeria	December 2016	Atsuko Toda
Sierra Leone	September 2016	Ndaya Beltchika

Country Strategy Notes

Burkina Faso	September 2016	Abdoul Barry
Cameroon	September 2016	Bernard Hien
Cabo Verde	September 2016	Luyaku Nsimpasi
Chad	December 2016	Vincenzo Galastro
Congo	December 2016	Pascal Kabore
Côte d'Ivoire	December 2016	Abdoul Barry
Gabon	December 2016	Bernard Hien
The Gambia	April 2017	Moses Abukari
Guinea	December 2016	Abdoul Barry
Mali	September 2016	Philippe Remy
Mauritania	September 2016	Philippe Remy
