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Executive Board — 118th Session
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Agenda

I. Items for approval or review

1. Opening of the session
2. Adoption of the agenda [A]
   For ease of reference, each agenda item is assigned a letter to indicate the action required of the Board, as follows:
   [A] = For approval
   [R] = For review
   [I] = For information
3. High-level preview of IFAD’s 2017 results-based programme of work and regular and capital budgets, and the preview of the Independent Office of Evaluation of IFAD’s results-based work programme and budget for 2017 and indicative plan for 2018-2019 [R]
4. Evaluation
   (a) Ninety-second session of the Evaluation Committee [I]
   (b) Ninety-third session of the Evaluation Committee [I]
   (c) Country programme evaluations [R]
      (i) China
      (ii) Indonesia
      (iii) Turkey
   (d) Annual Report on Results and Impact of IFAD Operations (ARRI) [R]
5. Report on IFAD’s Development Effectiveness (RIDE) [R]
6. Midterm Review of IFAD’s Policy on Gender Equality and Women’s Empowerment [R]
7. President’s Report on the Implementation Status of Evaluation Recommendations and Management Actions (PRISMA) [R]
8. Country strategic opportunities programmes (COSOPs) [R]
   (a) Argentina
   (b) China
   (c) Indonesia
   (d) Turkey
9. Proposed amendments to the instrument establishing the trust fund for the IFAD Adaptation for Smallholder Agriculture Programme (ASAP) [A]
10. Climate mainstreaming in IFAD-funded programmes [R]

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1 Some items for information are included and will be discussed during the Board session.
11. Project/programme proposals for consideration by the Executive Board [A]
   (a) West and Central Africa
       Niger: President's memorandum - Proposed loan and grant to the Republic of the Niger to address the financing deficit of the Family Farming Development Programme (ProDAF) in the regions of Maradi, Tahoua and Zinder
   (b) East and Southern Africa
       (i) Ethiopia: Participatory Small-scale Irrigation Development Programme - Phase II (PASIDP II)
       (ii) Rwanda: Rwanda Dairy Development Project (RDDP)
       (iii) Zimbabwe: Smallholder Irrigation Revitalization Programme
   (c) Near East, North Africa and Europe
       Morocco: Atlas Mountains Rural Development Project

12. Grant under the country-specific grants window to ABC Microfinance to support Malian diaspora financing for rural youth [A]

13. Establishment of the Consultation on the Eleventh Replenishment of IFAD's Resources [A]

14. Financial matters
   (a) Reports of the Chairperson of the Audit Committee [R]
       (i) Report of the Chairperson on the 140th meeting of the Audit Committee
       (ii) Report of the Chairperson on the 141st meeting of the Audit Committee
   (b) Review of the adequacy of the level of the General Reserve [A]
   (c) IFAD's variable interest rate methodology: Impact of negative interest rates [A]
   (d) Proposal to access the KfW borrowing facility for IFAD10 [A]
   (e) Review of IFAD's Sovereign Borrowing Framework for Borrowing from Sovereign States and State-Supported Institutions [I]

15. Draft provisional agenda for the fortieth session of the Governing Council [A]

16. Progress report of the Ad Hoc Working Group on Governance [I]

17. Working Group on the Performance-based Allocation System [R]
   (a) Report of the Chairperson on the third meeting of the Working Group on the Performance-based Allocation System
   (b) Oral report of the Chairperson on the fourth meeting of the Working Group on the Performance-based Allocation System

18. Other business
   (a) Election of representatives of the Governing Council to the IFAD Staff Pension Committee [A]
   (b) Revision to the minutes of the 117th session of the Executive Board [A]
   (c) Proposal to accept supplementary funds from the Rockefeller Foundation [A]
   (d) Proposal to accept supplementary funds from the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation [A]
   (e) Follow-up matrix on the second retreat of the IFAD Executive Board [R]
   (f) Rome-based agencies collaboration [I]
II. Documents presented for information
Documents 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 documents 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.

19. Report on IFAD’s investment portfolio for the first and second quarters of 2016 [I]
20. An overview of IFAD’s holistic approach to tailoring operations to country context (encompassing fragile situations, middle-income countries, the performance-based allocation system and decentralization) [I]

III. Information provided under the fit-for-purpose approach
In accordance with the fit-for-purpose approach, approved by the Executive Board in December 2013 (EB 2013/110/R.4), the following documents will be made available on the IFAD website and Member States Interactive Platform. The information provided may be included for discussion on the agenda upon the request of an Executive Board representative.

21. Status report on arrears in principal, interest and service charge payments
22. Report on the status of contributions to the Tenth Replenishment of IFAD’s Resources
23. Planned country activities for 2016-2018

IV. Information notes
(a) Arrangements for the 118th session of the Executive Board
(b) Overview of supplementary funds received, committed and used in 2015
(c) Synthesis of the second retreat of the IFAD Executive Board
(d) Operational procedures for country strategies
(e) Facility for Refugees, Migrants, Forced Displacement and Rural Stability (FARMS)
(f) IFAD’s lending terms and conditions: Interest rates for loans on ordinary and intermediate terms in 2016
(g) Summary of project, programme and grant proposals discussed by the Executive Board