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Agenda

I. Items for approval, review and/or confirmation

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
   [C] = For confirmation
   [I] = For information
3. IFAD’s 2017 results-based programme of work and regular and capital budgets, the IOE results-based work programme and budget for 2017 and indicative plan for 2018-2019, and the HIPC and PBAS progress reports [A]
4. IFAD strategy for engagement in countries with fragile situations [A]
5. Approach to PBAS review [R]
6. IFAD’s approach to South-South and triangular cooperation [R]
7. Evaluation
   (a) Ninety-fourth session of the Evaluation Committee [I]
   (b) Ninety-fifth session of the Evaluation Committee [I]
   (c) Country programme evaluations [R]
      (i) Ethiopia
      (ii) Nigeria
   (d) Corporate-level evaluation of IFAD’s decentralization experience [R]
8. IFAD Corporate Decentralization Plan [R]
9. IFAD development effectiveness framework [R]
10. Proposed refinements to the IFAD10 Results Measurement Framework [A]
11. Country strategic opportunities programmes (COSOPs) [R]
    (a) Colombia
    (b) Ethiopia
    (c) Malawi
    (d) Nigeria
    (e) Pakistan
12. Resources available for commitment [A]
13. Proposed amendments to the instrument establishing the trust fund for the IFAD Adaptation for Smallholder Agriculture Programme [A]
14. Project/programme proposals for consideration by the Executive Board [A]

1 Some items for information are included and will be discussed during the Board session.
(a) East and Southern Africa
   Zambia: Enhanced Smallholder Agribusiness Promotion Programme

(b) Asia and the Pacific
   (i) Cambodia: Accelerating Inclusive Markets for Smallholders Project
   (ii) India: Andhra Pradesh Drought Mitigation Project
   (iii) Viet Nam: Commercial Smallholder Support Project in Bắc Kan and Cao Bằng

(c) Latin America and the Caribbean
   (i) Ecuador: Catalysing Inclusive Value Chain Partnerships Project (DINAMINGA)
   (ii) Brazil: Maranhão Rural Poverty Alleviation Project

(d) Near East, North Africa and Europe
   Kyrgyzstan: Access to Markets Project

15. Grant proposals for consideration by the Executive Board [A]
   (a) Grant under the global/regional grants window to Transtec to Improve Dryland Livelihoods in Djibouti and Somalia through Productivity-enhancing Technologies
   (b) Grant under the regional/private sector grant window to the MicroInsurance Centre for Managing Risks for Rural Development: Promoting Microinsurance Innovations

16. Proposed framework for new financing facilities: Enhancing IFAD’s catalytic role in mobilizing resources for rural transformation [R]

17. Country visits of the IFAD Executive Board
   (a) Report on the 2016 country visit of the IFAD Executive Board to Brazil [R]
   (b) Dates of the IFAD Executive Board country visit for 2017 to the Democratic Republic of the Congo [A]

18. Proposal for the provision of "seed money" for two strategic initiatives: (i) the scaling up of the Participatory Natural Resource Management Programme through the IFAD Fund for Gaza and the West Bank; and (ii) the Rural Economic Growth and Employment Project in Jordan through the IFAD Facility for Refugees, Migrants, Forced Displacement and Rural Stability [A]

19. Financial matters
   (a) Report of the Chairperson of the 142nd meeting of the Audit Committee [R]
   (b) Selection of the external auditor of IFAD for the period 2017-2021 [A]
   (c) IFAD’s Investment Policy Statement [A]
   (d) Workplan for IFAD’s Office of Audit and Oversight for 2017 [C]
   (e) Briefing on technical issues related to borrowing from the capital markets [I]

20. Proposal to enter into a borrowing agreement with the Agence Française de Développement (AFD) to support the IFAD10 programme of loans and grants [A]

21. Ad Hoc Working Group on Governance [A]
   (a) Final report of the Ad Hoc Working Group on Governance
   (b) Establishment of the Consultation on the Eleventh Replenishment of IFAD’s Resources

22. Report of the Emoluments Committee [A]
23. Proposal for the revision of the established good practice for the process leading to future appointments of the President of IFAD [A]


25. Other business
   (a) Proposed dates for sessions of the Executive Board in 2018 [A]
   (b) Executive Board retreat: Updated follow-up matrix and date for the next retreat [A]
   (c) Update on the outcome of the United Nations Climate Change Conference (COP22) in Marrakesh [I]
   (d) Principles of Conduct for Representatives on the Executive Board of IFAD [A]
   (e) President’s reflections on ten years at IFAD [I]

II. Documents presented for information [I]
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 representative. Such requests should be submitted in writing to the Secretary of IFAD no later than one week 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.

26. Draft programme of events for the fortieth session of the Governing Council
27. Revision to the document on climate mainstreaming in IFAD-funded programmes
29. Minutes of the fourth meeting of the Working Group on the Performance-Based Allocation System

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), updated information will be made available on the IFAD website and Member States Interactive Platform on the following:

30. Status report on arrears in principal, interest and service charge payments
31. Status of contributions to the Tenth Replenishment of IFAD’s Resources
32. Planned global, regional and country activities
   The information provided may be included for discussion on the agenda at the request of a representative of the Executive Board.

IV. Information notes
   (a) Arrangements for the 119th session of the Executive Board
   (b) Report on the signing of the third individual loan agreement under the KfW Framework Agreement