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1. At its ninety-eighth session in December 2009, the Executive Board authorized the President of IFAD to approve, on behalf of the Board, grants not exceeding the equivalent of US\$500,000, with the exception of grant financing to the for-profit private sector, and to report annually to the Executive Board on the use of such authority.
2. A description is attached of the grants approved under this agreement in 2017, up to and including 31 December 2017. These grants are listed by relevant division and a description is provided of the activities supported. The grants were subject to the criteria and approval process presented in the IFAD Policy for Grant Financing, which was approved in April 2015 (EB 2015/114/R.2/Rev.1).

## List of grants under the global/regional and country-specific grant windows approved by the President in 2017

<i>Lead originating department/division/unit</i>	<i>Grant title</i>	<i>Benefiting institution/country</i>	<i>Amount (United States dollars)</i>	<i>Scope of the grant</i>
Asia and the Pacific (APR)	Strengthening Capacities for Inclusive Agricultural Value Chains in the Philippines	Government of the Philippines	500 000	Provide innovative and scalable pathways for rural transformation that influence national policies and generate substantial and measurable benefits by strengthening the capacity of the Department of Trade and Industry to implement programmes for the development of inclusive small and medium-sized rural enterprises using value chain approaches.
	2018 Pacific Islands Food and Nutritional Security Forum, FAO Asia-Pacific Regional Conference, Fiji	Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO)	250 000	Enhance the capacity of the Pacific Islands to plan and formulate informed and appropriate policies for promoting sustainable rural development and food and nutritional security, reducing risk and vulnerability, and improving the socioeconomic conditions in the Pacific Islands.
Communications (COM)	Training for Developing Country Journalists	Thomson Reuters Foundation	350 000	Enhance the knowledge, skills, and capacity of developing country journalists to amplify the voices of poor rural women and men, smallholder farmers, and rural communities to reach policy and decision makers worldwide.
East and Southern Africa (ESA)	Support to the Integration of the Regional Agricultural Markets in the Indian Ocean Commission (SIRA)	Indian Ocean Commission (IOC)	500 000	Contribute to the implementation of the Regional Programme for Food and Nutrition Security (PRESAN) of the IOC through knowledge generation, consultations and development of institutional mechanisms for harmonizing policies and quality standards.
Latin America and Caribbean (LAC)	Jóvenes con Todo	Government of El Salvador	500 000	Promote linkages and synergies between social and economic policy and initiatives in favour of rural youth in El Salvador.
	Institutional Strengthening, Systematization and Outreach for Scaling up the Productive Inclusion Model from the Social Economy in Mexico	United Nations Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (ECLAC) – Mexico	500 000	Contribute to strengthening the action and institutional reach of the National Institute of Social Economy, systematizing and disseminating experiences and knowledge accumulated through institutional experience and the activities of the IFAD-funded Social Economy Project: Territory and Inclusion.
	Back to the Roots: Using Gastronomy as a Rural Development Tool	Fundación Intereclesiástica para la Cooperación al Desarrollo (ICCO Cooperación)	472 000	Promote innovations in rural development using gastronomy as a potential entry point to increase efficiency and the potential to connect small-scale farmers with markets, with special emphasis on women and youth.
	Strengthening of Institutional Capacity of the Territorial Renewal Agency (ART) at Territorial Level in Three Post-Conflict Municipalities of Colombia	Latin American Center for Rural Development (RIMISP)	300 000	Contribute to reinforcement of the new institutional framework for rural development at national and territorial levels, by strengthening ART's institutional and operational capacity to implement a post-conflict agenda.
	Institutional Capacity-Building for the Centralized Project Management Unit (UAP) at the Ministry of Agriculture and Livestock in Honduras	Government of Honduras	250 000	Strengthen UAP capacity to manage rural development projects.
	Developing Geo-Referenced Socio-Economic Data Systems and Information for Effective Rural Planning and Development In Isolated Regions of Peru	United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA)	200 000	Contribute to fostering public policies and programmes to address poverty through local development based on rural diversity and linkages to urban areas.

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Operational Programming and Effectiveness (OPE)	Support to the International Aid Transparency Initiative (IATI)	United Nations Office for Project Services (UNOPS)	63 000	Provide support to the IATI
Policy and Technical Advisory (PTA)	Supporting Africa-Wide Agricultural Extension Week, 2017: Scaling up Climate Smart Agriculture: Integrating Youth, Women and the Digital Revolution	African Forum for Agricultural Advisory Services (AFAAS)	350 000	Contribute to mainstreaming climate-smart agriculture techniques in agricultural extension and advisory services approaches to enhance environmental sustainability and climate resilience of the most vulnerable farming populations in Africa, especially women and youth.
	First Regional Cycle of the Farmers' Forum (FAFO) in Latin America and Caribbean	Centro Latino-Americano de Economia Humana (CLAEH)	170 000	Establish and promote effective and operational partnerships and cooperation between smallholder producers' organizations, governments and IFAD country programmes through the organization of a regional meeting.
	First Regional Cycle FAFO in Asia and the Pacific	Asian Farmers Association for Sustainable Rural Development (AFA)	130 000	
	First Regional Cycle of FAFO in East and Southern Africa	Eastern Africa Farmers Federation (EAFF)	100 000	
	First Regional Cycle of FAFO in West and Central Africa	Reseau des Organisations paysannes et de producteurs de l'Afrique de l'Ouest (ROPPA)	100 000	
Programme Management Department (PMD)	IFAD's Contribution to the United Nations Committee on World Food Security (CFS) 2017	FAO	400 000	The main functions of the CFS are to: (a) contribute to advancing coordination and partnerships; (b) contribute to policy convergence on food security and nutrition; and (c) strengthen national and regional action in support of food security and nutrition.
	Supporting Civil Society Mechanism for participation in the CFS	Terra Nuova-Centro per il Volontariato Onlus	250 000	Improve food security and nutrition policies and actions at the national, regional and global levels through enhanced civil society organizations' participation in the CFS.
	Contribution to the United Nations System Standing Committee on Nutrition (UNSCN)	FAO	130 000	Contribute to more supportive nutrition governance, an enabling environment, and policies, programmes and projects that improve nutrition at global and country levels.
Research and Impact Assessment (RIA)	Impact Assessment of Technological Innovation and Dissemination under the Consortium for Unfavourable Rice Environments in Southeast Asia	Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University	495 000	Objectively assess the adoption and impacts of stress-tolerant rice varieties and best management practices on farm households in Nepal, Philippines and Viet Nam.
	Role of Agricultural Research and Investment in Achievement of SDGs 1 and 2	FAO	50 000	Contribute to the joint initiative of FAO, IFAD, CGIAR and the World Bank on "Focusing Agricultural and Rural Development Research and Investment on Achieving SDGs 1 and 2".
Strategy and Knowledge Department (SKD)	Civil Society Follow-Up of the Financing for Development (FfD) Process and the Addis Ababa Action Agenda	Society for International Development (SID)	25 000	Facilitate civil society participation in a strategic planning meeting in Rome on 11-13 December 2017 in preparation for the upcoming FfD Forum 2018.