Draft Provisional Agenda for the Forty-Second Session of the Governing Council

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Recommendation for approval

1. Rule 6 of the Rules of Procedure of the Governing Council provides that the President shall prepare, with the approval of the Executive Board, a provisional agenda for each session of the Governing Council. Accordingly, the Executive Board is invited to consider and approve the attached draft provisional agenda for the forty-second session of the Governing Council.

2. The Executive Board is also invited to note that the Governing Council will receive, together with the attached provisional agenda, a programme of events for the Council.

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1. Opening of the session
2. Adoption of the agenda
3. Application for non-original membership (TBC)
4. Statement of the President of IFAD
5. Report on the Eleventh Replenishment of IFAD’s Resources
6. Consolidated financial statements of IFAD for 2017
7. Proposal for an automated voting system at IFAD
8. IFAD’s 2019 results-based programme of work and regular and capital budgets, the Independent Office of Evaluation of IFAD’s results-based work programme and budget for 2019 and indicative plan for 2020-2021, and the Heavily Indebted Poor Countries (HIPC) and performance-based allocation system (PBAS) progress reports
9. Amendments to the Policies and Criteria for IFAD Financing
10. IFAD’s Transition Framework
11. Other business
Annotations

1. **Opening of the session**
The forty-second session of the Governing Council will be held on Thursday and Friday, 14 and 15 February 2019.

2. **Adoption of the agenda**
The provisional agenda, prepared by the President and approved by the Executive Board in accordance with rule 6 of the Rules of Procedure of the Governing Council, is contained in the present document (GC 42/L.1).

3. **Application for non-original membership (TBC)**
The Executive Board considered the application for membership received from ___________________. The recommendation of the Board in this regard, together with a draft resolution thereon, will be presented in document GC 42/L.2.

4. **Statement of the President of IFAD**
Gilbert F. Houngbo will make a statement to the Governing Council.

5. **Report on the Eleventh Replenishment of IFAD’s Resources**
A report on the Eleventh Replenishment of IFAD’s Resources will be presented in document GC 42/L.3.

6. **Consolidated financial statements of IFAD for 2017**
In accordance with regulation XII of the Financial Regulations of IFAD and section 9 of the By-laws for the Conduct of the Business of IFAD, the Governing Council will be invited to consider document GC 42/L.4, which will contain the consolidated financial statements of IFAD for 2017, the report of the external auditor thereon and the external auditor’s independent attestation on the management assertion report on the effectiveness of internal controls over financial reporting. The Executive Board reviewed these documents at its 123rd session in April 2018 and recommended that they be submitted for approval by the Governing Council.

7. **Proposal for an automated voting system at IFAD**
In its report on the Review of the Established Practice for the Process Leading to the Appointment of the President of IFAD, the Governing Council Bureau recommended that the Secretariat explore electronic voting or other forms of automated processes and report to the Executive Board for possible submission of recommendations to the Governing Council in 2019. Document GC 42/L.5 will present Management’s proposal in this regard.

8. **IFAD’s 2019 results-based programme of work and regular and capital budgets, the Independent Office of Evaluation of IFAD’s results-based work programme and budget for 2019 and indicative plan for 2020-2021, and the HIPC and PBAS progress reports**
The budgets of IFAD and the Independent Office of Evaluation of IFAD (IOE) for 2019, as recommended by the Executive Board for approval by the Governing Council, will be presented in document GC 42/L.6, together with a draft resolution thereon. This document will also report on IFAD’s participation in the HIPC Initiative and on the implementation of IFAD’s PBAS for the information of the Council.

9. **Amendments to the Policies and Criteria for IFAD Financing**
Document GC 42/L.7 will propose amendments to the Policies and Criteria for IFAD Financing, which were last revised at the Governing Council’s forty-first session in February 2018. The purpose of the proposed amendments is to ensure the implementation of the updates to IFAD’s financing terms and IFAD’s non-concessional borrowing policy, as reviewed and approved by the Executive Board at its 125th session in December 2018.
10. **IFAD’s Transition Framework**
    Document GC 42/L.8 will contain, for the information of the Governing Council, IFAD’s Transition Framework, as approved at the 125th session of the Executive Board in December 2018.

11. **Other business**
    Under this item, the Governing Council will consider any additional matters not included in the provisional agenda that may be proposed by members of the Council and/or the Secretariat.