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Draft Provisional Agenda for the Forty-third 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-third 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.

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

1. Opening of the session
2. Adoption of the agenda (GC 43/L.1)
3. Election of the Bureau of the Governing Council
4. Application for non-original membership (TBC) (GC 43/L.2)
5. Statement of the President of IFAD
6. Update on conversations with IFAD's Governors at GC 42 (GC 43/L.3)
7. Report on the Eleventh Replenishment of IFAD's Resources (GC 43/L.4)
8. Establishment of the Consultation on the Twelfth Replenishment of IFAD's Resources (GC 43/L.5)
9. Consolidated financial statements of IFAD for 2018 (GC 43/L.6)
10. IFAD's 2020 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 2020 and indicative plan for 2021-2022, and the Heavily Indebted Poor Countries (HIPC) and performance-based allocation system (PBAS) progress reports (GC 43/L.7)
11. Establishment of the Emoluments Committee (GC 43/L.8)
12. Proposal on an automated voting system (TBC) (GC 43/L.9)
13. Other business
 - (i) Report on the decision on the venue of the forty-third session of the Governing Council (GC 43/L.10)

Annotations

1. Opening of the session
The forty-third session of the Governing Council will be held on Tuesday 11, and Wednesday, 12 February 2020.
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.
3. Election of the Bureau of the Governing Council.
The Governing Council is invited to elect a chairperson and two vice-chairpersons for the coming two years, in accordance with rule 12 of its Rules of Procedure.
4. 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.
5. Statement of the President of IFAD
Gilbert F. Hounbo will make a statement to the Governing Council.
6. Update on conversations with IFAD's Governors at GC 42.
The document will provide a short update on the conversations held with Governors on three key topics during GC 42 – The future of IFAD, Financial architecture; The future of IFAD, Engagement with the private sector; and The repositioning of the United Nations development system and its implications for IFAD.
7. Report on the Eleventh Replenishment of IFAD's Resources
A report on the status of the Eleventh Replenishment of IFAD's Resources will be presented.
8. Establishment of the Consultation on the Twelfth Replenishment of IFAD's Resources
Article 4, section 3 of the Agreement Establishing IFAD provides for a periodic review by the Governing Council of the adequacy of IFAD's resources to assure continuity in the Fund's operations. The document will present a draft resolution on the establishment of the Consultation on the Twelfth Replenishment of IFAD's Resources.
9. Consolidated financial statements of IFAD for 2018
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 this document, which will contain the consolidated financial statements of IFAD for 2018, 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 126th session in May 2019 and recommended that they be submitted for approval by the Governing Council.
10. IFAD's 2020 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 2020 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 for 2019, as recommended by the Executive Board for approval by the Governing Council, will be presented in this document, 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 performance-based allocation system for the information of the Council.

11. Establishment of the Emoluments Committee

In line with practice followed prior to the appointment of the current President and his predecessors, a draft resolution to re-establish the Emoluments Committee will be presented for the consideration of the Governing Council. The Emoluments Committee is to report to the Governing Council prior to the appointment of the new President of IFAD in February 2021.

12. Proposal for an automated voting system at IFAD (TBC)

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. This document will present the outcome of this exercise, as endorsed by the Executive Board.

13. 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.

- (i) Report on the decision on the venue of the forty-third session of the Governing Council

This document will present the decision made by the Executive Board, as tasked by the Governing Council in 2019, regarding the venue of the forty-third session of the Governing Council.