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Proposed Dates for the sessions of the Executive Board to be held in 2021

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Rome, 10-12 December 2019

For: Approval

Recommendation for approval

The Executive Board is invited to approve the recommendation contained in paragraph 5.

I. Proposed dates for sessions of the Executive Board in 2021

Proposed dates for sessions of the Executive Board in 2021

1. The following dates are proposed for the Executive Board sessions to be held in 2021:

- 132nd Session Monday, 19 to Wednesday, 21 April 2021 *
- 133rd Session Tuesday, 14 to Thursday, 16 September 2021
- 134th Session Tuesday, 14 to Thursday, 16 December 2021

* This would allow for the seventh Executive Board retreat to be held from the afternoon of Wednesday, 21 April to Friday, 23 April.

2. While specific dates are proposed, Executive Board representatives will note that the entire week has been reserved on the calendar of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO)/IFAD/World Food Programme (WFP) governing bodies and other main sessions, to ensure flexibility in order to accommodate the workload of the meeting and surrounding events such as informal seminars held in conjunction with the Board sessions.
3. A revised calendar of FAO/IFAD/WFP governing bodies and other main sessions for 2020 and 2021 is provided for information in the appendix. Prepared in consultation with the secretariats of FAO and WFP, it endeavours to harmonize the timing of the various governing bodies and other high-level meetings that require the participation of Rome-based permanent representatives.
4. Finally, Executive Board representatives are informed that the forty-fourth session of the Governing Council is scheduled for Wednesday, 17 and Thursday, 18 February 2021.

II. Recommendation

5. The Executive Board is requested to approve the dates for its sessions in 2021 as proposed above.

PROVISIONAL CALENDAR OF FAO/IFAD/WFP GOVERNING BODIES AND OTHER MAIN SESSIONS 2020-2021

	2020		2021	
JANUARY				
FEBRUARY	179 FC* IFAD/GC 35 APRC* WFP	6-7 10-14 17-20 24-28	IFAD/GC WFP	15-19 22-26
MARCH	35 NERC* 110 CCLM 31 ARC	2-4 16-18 23-27	18 CGRFA 112 CCLM 182 FC 130 PC 166 CL	1-5 8-10 22-26 22-26 29/3-2/4
APRIL	INARC IFAD/EB 36 LARC*	6-10 20-24 27-29	IFAD/EB	19-23
MAY	32 ERC 180 FC* 128 PC	5-7 18-22 18-22		
JUNE	164 CL 25 COFO WFP*	8-12 22-26 29/6-3/7	WFP	21-25
JULY	43 CODEX* 34 COFI	6-11 (Rome) 13-17	44 CODEX 42 C 167 CL	5-10 (Geneva) 12-16 19
AUGUST				
SEPTEMBER	IFAD/EB 73 CCP 27 COAG	7-11 23-25 28/9-2/10	IFAD/EB	13-17
OCTOBER	47 CFS WFD 111 CCLM	12-16 16 (Friday) 26-28	48 CFS WFD 113 CCLM	11-15 15 (Friday) 25-27
NOVEMBER	181 FC* 129 PC WFP 165 CL	9-13 9-13 16-20 30/11-4/12	183 FC 131 PC WFP 168 CL	8-12 8-12 15-19 29/11-3/12
DECEMBER	IFAD/EB	7-11	IFAD/EB	13-17

Easter: 12 April 2020
 Orthodox Easter: 19 April 2020
 Ramadan: 24 April – 23 May 2020
 Eid Al-Fitr: 24 May 2020
 Eid Al-Adha: 31 July 2020

Easter: 4 April 2021
 Orthodox Easter: 2 May 2021
 Ramadan: 13 April – 12 May 2021
 Eid Al-Fitr: 13 May 2021
 Eid Al-Adha: 20 July 2021

APRC	Regional Conference for Asia and the Pacific	COFO	Committee on Forestry
ARC	Regional Conference for Africa	ERC	Regional Conference for Europe
C	Conference	FC	Finance Committee
CCLM	Committee on Constitutional and Legal Matters	IFAD/EB	IFAD Executive Board
CCP	Committee on Commodity Problems	IFAD/GC	IFAD Governing Council
CFS	Committee on World Food Security	INARC	Informal Regional Conference for North America
CGRFA	Commission on Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture	LARC	Regional Conference for Latin America and the Caribbean
CL	Council	NERC	Regional Conference for the Near East
COAG	Committee on Agriculture	PC	Programme Committee
CODEX	Codex Alimentarius Commission	WFD	World Food Day
COFI	Committee on Fisheries	WFP	World Food Programme Executive Board