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Revised Terms of Reference and Rules of Procedure of the Evaluation Committee of the Executive Board

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Revised Terms of Reference and Rules of Procedure of the Evaluation Committee of the Executive Board

The Executive Board is hereby invited to consider the amendments to the following documents: Revised Terms of Reference and Rules of Procedure of the Evaluation Committee of the Executive Board (EB 2021/132/R.6 + Add.1).

The changes to the document are reflected as follows: deleted text with strikethrough, inserted text is underlined and in boldface.

Page 2, paragraph 2.3 should read:

"The Evaluation Committee shall not vote but shall set out the views expressed by its members in the reports it submits to the Executive Board. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the chairperson shall attempt to secure consensus ~~in order to present in its reports to the Board, as far as possible, the unanimous views of the Evaluation Committee.~~ In the absence of consensus, the minority views and opinions shall be reflected in the reports."

This supersedes the amendments contained in EB 2021/132/R.6/Add.1

Page 2, paragraph 2.4 should read:

"The Evaluation Committee shall hold regular meetings. The date of each meeting shall be determined by the Committee at each preceding meeting, unless otherwise decided by the Committee. Meetings can also be convened by the chairperson at any other time required. Notwithstanding rule 3² of the Rules of Procedure of the Executive Board, the Evaluation Committee may ~~undertake~~ **participate in country** field visits organized by IFAD **in accordance with the modality approved by the Executive Board.**³ ~~Executive Board members, not members of the Evaluation Committee, may also take part in said field visits."~~

² Rule 3: Place of Sessions – All sessions of the Board shall be held at the seat of the Fund, except for sessions held in conjunction with a session of the Governing Council held elsewhere, or sessions held by virtual means. Executive Board sessions may be held by virtual means when the President determines that holding a physical in-presence session is not feasible or appropriate for all representatives. In such instances, one or more representatives of Executive Board members and alternate members may participate in the meeting by teleconference, videoconference or other electronic means. Special procedures applicable to Executive Board sessions held by virtual means are set forth in annex II to the present Rules of Procedure. All sessions of the Board shall be held at the seat of the Fund, except for sessions held in conjunction with a session of the Governing Council held elsewhere.

³ See Minutes of the 107th session of the Executive Board (December 2012).

Page 3, paragraph 3.1(g) should read:

"Every year, discuss, review and report on the self-evaluation products included in the Committee's approved annual work programme. These include but are not limited to the President's Report on the Implementation Status of Evaluation Recommendations and Management Actions (PRISMA) and the Report on IFAD's Development Effectiveness (RIDE) together with IOE comments thereon. **In addition, discuss, review and report on impact assessments conducted by Management.**"