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Agenda - Virtual Session

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Agenda for the 133rd session of the Executive Board – Virtual session

Information for Executive Board representatives

1. In line with the precautionary measures being taken in response to the COVID-19 pandemic, the 133rd session of the Executive Board will be convened virtually. It will take place from Monday, 13 to Thursday, 16 September 2021 from 12.30 to 5.30 p.m. each day.

2. In order to streamline the meeting, the agenda items have been colour coded and organized into the following groups:

- I. items for consideration at the session;
- II. items for comments online;
- III. items for approval through vote by correspondence; and,
- IV. items posted online for information.

3. For ease of reference, each agenda item is assigned a letter to indicate the action required of the Board, as follows:

[A] = For approval; **[R]** = For review; **[I]** = For information; **[C]** = For confirmation

Items for information in section IV

4. Documents for information may be discussed during the session only if deemed necessary by Management or at the request of Executive Board representatives. Such requests should be submitted in writing to the Secretary of IFAD no later than one week before the session.

Schedule for the session

5. The agenda item numbers do not necessarily reflect the order in which documents will be discussed. A schedule of work will be posted on the IFAD website and Member States Interactive Platform before the session showing the timing and order of discussion.

6. The schedule of work will include only items to be discussed during the Board session.

Agenda

I. Items for consideration in session

1. **Opening of the session**
2. **Adoption of the agenda** (EB 2021/133/R.1 + Add.1/Rev.3) **[A]**
3. **Strategic discussion with the President of IFAD: Rural Social Protection** (EB 2021/133/R.2) **[R]**
4. **Corporate**
 - (a) High-level preview of IFAD's 2022 results-based programme of work and regular and capital budgets, and the preview of the Independent Office of Evaluation of IFAD's results-based work programme and budget for 2022 and indicative plan for 2023-2024 (EB 2021/133/R.3 + Add.1) **[R]**
 - (b) Global Communication and External Advocacy: the way forward to IFAD12 and beyond (EB 2021/133/R.4) **[R]**
 - (c) Policies and strategies
 - i. IFAD's Graduation Policy (EB 2021/133/R.5) **[A]**
 - ii. Revised Rural Finance Policy (EB 2021/133/R.6 + Add.1) **[A]**
5. **Enterprise risk management**
 - (a) Enterprise Risk Management Policy (EB 2021/133/R.7) **[A]**
6. **Evaluation**
 - (a) Annual Report on Results and Impact of IFAD Operations (ARRI) (EB 2021/133/R.8 + Add.1) **[R]**
 - (b) Report on IFAD's Development Effectiveness (RIDE) (EB 2021/133/R.9 + Add.1) **[R]**
7. **Operational matters**
 - (a) Report on project, programme and grant proposals and country strategies discussed at the Executive Board consultations (EB 2021/133/R.10) **[R]**
8. **Financial matters**
 - (a) Implementation tools of the Integrated Borrowing Framework: IFAD's Euro Medium-Term Note Programme (EB 2021/133/R.11) **[A]**
 - (b) IFAD's ordinary term loans: Update of elements of pricing (EB 2021/133/R.12) **[R]**
 - (c) Update on the Status of the Twelfth Replenishment of IFAD's Resources (IFAD12)
 - i. Target level of the IFAD12 programme of loans and grants and pledges (EB 2021/133/R.13) **[A]**
 - ii. Report on the Twelfth Replenishment of IFAD's Resources (EB 2021/133/R.14) **[I]**
9. **Progress Reports [R]**
 - (a) Update on IFAD's Engagement in the Reform of the United Nations Development System (EB 2021/133/R.15)
17. **Governance [A]**
 - (c) Review of modalities of Executive Board sessions at IFAD (EB 2021/133/R.33)

10. Other business [I]

- (a) Oral update on the Establishment of a Trust Fund for the African Agricultural Transformation Initiative (AATI)
- (b) Oral update on IFAD's contribution to the Food Systems Summit
- (c) Decentralization 2.0

II. Items for review online

Executive Board representatives are invited to submit any comments they may have on the following documents through the e-board on the Member States Interactive Platform, which will be open until 10 September 2021. Management will endeavour to provide timely responses to comments received online and a document including all comments and responses will be posted on the platform in the four official languages of the Fund after the Board session.

11. Corporate

- (a) Midterm Review of the IFAD Strategic Framework 2016-2025 (EB 2021/133/R.16) **[R]**
- (b) Update on IFAD's Approach to Address the United Nations Strategy to Prevent and Respond to Sexual Harassment, and Sexual Exploitation and Abuse (EB 2021/133/R.17) **[R]**

12. Evaluation

- (a) President's Report on the Implementation Status of Evaluation Recommendations and Management Actions (PRISMA) (EB 2021/133/R.18 + Add.1 + Add.2) **[R]**
- (b) Country strategy and programme evaluation **[R]**
 - (i) Madagascar (EB 2021/133/R.19)

13. Operational matters

- (a) Progress report on the status of implementation of the Rural Poor Stimulus Facility and IFAD's wider operational response to COVID-19 (EB 2021/133/R.20 + Add.1) **[R]**
- (b) Country strategic opportunities programmes (COSOPs) **[R]**
 - (i) East and Southern Africa
 - a. Madagascar (EB 2021/133/R.21 + Add.1)

14. Financial matters

- (a) Capital Adequacy Report (EB 2021/133/R.22) **[R]**

15. Progress Report **[R]**

- (a) People, Processes and Technology Plan: Implementation of a Targeted Investment in IFAD's Capacity (TCI) (EB 2021/133/R.23)
- (b) Update on IFAD's Engagement with the Committee on World Food Security (EB 2021/133/R.24)

III. Items for action through vote by correspondence

Once the provisional agenda for the 133rd session of the Executive Board has been adopted, representatives will be invited to take action on the following items through a vote by correspondence. A written reply, specifying the vote cast ("yes", "no" or "abstain") should be submitted by midnight (Rome time), 30 September 2021. The Executive Board will be advised of the results of the vote by correspondence in a timely manner.

16. Operational matters

- (a) Utilization of Resources under the IFAD Regular Grants Programme for the Implementation of the IFAD Climate Facility (EB 2021/133/R.25) **[A]**
- (b) Project/programme and grant proposals for consideration by the Executive Board **[A]**
 - (ii) East and Southern Africa
 - a. **Rwanda:** Kayonza Irrigation and Integrated Watershed Management Project - Phase II (EB 2021/133/R.28)
 - (iii) West and Central Africa
 - a. **Chad:** Project to Strengthen Agropastoral Entrepreneurship Innovation for Youth and Women (EB 2021/133/R.29 + Add.1 + Add.2 + Sup.1)
 - b. **Congo:** Youth, Agriculture and Entrepreneurship Support Project (EB 2021/133/R.30 + Sup.1)

17. Governance **[A]**

- (a) Draft provisional agenda for the forty-fifth session of the Governing Council (EB 2021/133/R.31)
- (b) Country visits of the IFAD Executive Board (EB 2021/133/R.32)
- (d) Proposed dates for the sessions of the Executive Board to be held in 2023 (EB 2021/133/R.34)

IV. Items for information

18. Reports of subsidiary bodies [I]

- (a) Minutes of the 113th Session of the Evaluation Committee (EB 2021/133/R.35)
- (b) Minutes of the 114th Session of the Evaluation Committee (EB 2021/133/R.36)
- (c) Report of the Chairperson on the 161st Meeting of the Audit Committee (EB 2021/133/R.37)
- (d) Report of the Chairperson on the 162nd Meeting of the Audit Committee (EB 2021/133/R.38)

19. Governance [I]

- (a) Report on the Sixth Retreat of the IFAD Executive Board (EB 2021/133/R.39)

V. For information

Additional information documents, including information provided under the fit-for-purpose approach, will be posted on the Member States Interactive Platform at the following [link](#)