
Establishment of the Consultation on the Thirteenth Replenishment of IFAD's Resources

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Action: The Executive Board is invited to submit to the forty-sixth session of the Governing Council the attached document and draft resolution contained therein.

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1. Paragraph 1 of resolution 219/XLIV on the Twelfth Replenishment of IFAD's Resources (IFAD12) specifies that the period provided for the said replenishment is the three-year period commencing on 1 January 2022.
2. Article 4, section 3, of the Agreement Establishing IFAD provides that, in order to assure continuity in the operations of the Fund, the Governing Council shall periodically review the adequacy of the resources available to the Fund.
3. In order to provide for the timely review of the availability of resources before the expiration of the IFAD12 period, a draft resolution to establish a Consultation on the Thirteenth Replenishment of IFAD's Resources should be considered by the Executive Board and subsequently submitted to the Governing Council, together with the Board's recommendations thereon, for consideration and adoption.
4. Based on the favourable experience with an external chair for the IFAD09, IFAD10, IFAD11 and IFAD12 Consultations, the Executive Board endorsed Management's proposal to maintain an external chair for the IFAD13 Consultation and approved the process whereby the Executive Board would select the external chair to be recommended to the Governing Council.
5. In accordance with this approved process, on the recommendation of the IFAD President, Mr Kyle Peters was directly selected to be the External Chair for the IFAD13 Consultation.¹
6. The Executive Board is hereby invited to approve the submission of the attached draft report and draft resolution to the Governing Council at its forty-sixth session in February 2023.
7. The Consultation's recommendations will be reported to the forty-seventh session of the Governing Council in 2024. Four substantive sessions are expected to suffice to conclude the IFAD13 negotiations. Accordingly, and in consultation with the secretariats of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO) and the World Food Programme (WFP), the following dates are proposed:
 - (i) First session: Thursday and Friday, 16–17 February 2023
 - (ii) Second session: Monday and Tuesday, 19–20 June 2023
 - (iii) Third session: Thursday and Friday, 26–27 October 2023
 - (iv) Fourth session: Thursday and Friday, 14–15 December 2023
8. The Executive Board is invited to note that Management is exploring the possibility of organizing sessions of the IFAD13 Consultation away from IFAD headquarters, to be hosted by IFAD Member States. The final location of each session will be subject to the authorization of the Consultation.
9. With regard to the composition of the IFAD13 Consultation, it is proposed that the composition adopted for the IFAD12 Consultation through resolution 211/XLIII be maintained, i.e. 25 Member States from List A, 10 Member States from List B and 22 Member States from List C. It is also proposed that List A Members not designated as one of the 25 Members of the Consultation from that List may attend as silent observers. The Consultation may also subsequently invite such other Member States to participate in Consultation sessions as may facilitate its deliberations.

¹ See EB 2022/135/R.13.

10. While the draft resolution requests that the names of countries participating in the Consultation be communicated no later than 14 February 2023 (the day on which the Governing Council will be requested to approve the resolution), the Lists are invited to convey this information to Management as early as possible to facilitate planning of the first session.



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2. Article 4, section 3, of the Agreement Establishing IFAD provides that, "in order to assure continuity in the operations of the Fund, the Governing Council shall periodically ... review the adequacy of the resources available to the Fund."
3. In order to provide for the timely review of the availability of resources before the expiration of the IFAD12 period, the attached draft resolution to establish a Consultation on the Thirteenth Replenishment of IFAD's Resources was considered by the Executive Board at its 136th session in September 2022. The Board recommended that the draft resolution be submitted to the Governing Council for consideration and adoption.
4. Based on the favourable experience with an external chair during the IFAD09, IFAD10, IFAD11 and IFAD12 Consultations, the Executive Board endorsed Management's proposal to maintain an external Chair for the IFAD13 Consultation and approved the process whereby the Executive Board would select the external chair to be recommended to the Governing Council.
5. In accordance with this approved process, on the recommendation of the IFAD President, Mr Kyle Peters was directly selected to be the External Chair for the IFAD13 Consultation.
6. The first session of the IFAD13 Consultation will be held at IFAD headquarters on 16 and 17 February 2023. At that session, Members of the Consultation will agree on the agenda and issues to be considered at each session thereafter. Management is also exploring the possibility of organizing some subsequent sessions away from IFAD headquarters, to be hosted by IFAD Member States. The final location for each session will be subject to the authorization of the Consultation.
7. With regard to the composition of the IFAD13 Consultation, the Executive Board, following informal discussions between Management and Convenors, agreed to maintain the composition adopted for the IFAD12 Consultation through resolution 211/XLIII, i.e. 25 Member States from List A, 10 Member States from List B and 22 Member States from List C. It is also proposed that List A Members not designated as one of the 25 Members of the Consultation from that List may attend as silent observers. The Consultation may also subsequently invite such other Member States to participate in Consultation sessions as may facilitate its deliberations.

Draft resolution on the Establishment of the Consultation on the Thirteenth Replenishment of IFAD's Resources

Resolution .../

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The Governing Council of IFAD,

Recalling article 4, section 3, of the Agreement Establishing IFAD, which provides that, in order to assure continuity in the operations of the Fund, the Governing Council shall periodically review the adequacy of the resources available to the Fund;

Further recalling that the period established by Governing Council resolution 219/XLIV for the Twelfth Replenishment of the Fund's Resources (IFAD12) will conclude on 31 December 2024;

Having considered the statement of the President on the need for a review of the adequacy of the resources available to the Fund and document GC [...] thereon;

Having further considered the need for the establishment of a Consultation on the Thirteenth Replenishment of IFAD's Resources;

Decides that:

1. A Consultation on the Thirteenth Replenishment of IFAD's Resources (IFAD13 Consultation) shall be established, to review the adequacy of the Fund's resources and to report to the Governing Council. Based on the favourable experience with an external chair during the IFAD09, IFAD10, IFAD11 and IFAD12 Consultations the Governing Council approves that an external chair be maintained for the IFAD13 Consultation and selects Mr Kyle Peters for the role. The tasks of the Chair of the Consultation are annexed to this resolution.
2. The first session of the Consultation shall be held on Thursday 16, and Friday 17 February 2023.
3. The Consultation shall consist of 25 Member States from List A, 10 Member States from List B and 22 Member States from List C. The countries participating from each List should be determined by the Members of that List and communicated to the President no later than 14 February 2023. List A Members not designated as one of the 25 Members of the Consultation from that List shall be authorized to attend the sessions of the Consultation as silent observers. The Consultation may also subsequently invite such other Member States to participate in sessions of the Consultation as may facilitate its deliberations. The Consultation shall submit a report on the results of its deliberations and any recommendations thereon to the forty-seventh session and, if required, subsequent sessions of the Governing Council, with a view to adopting such resolutions as may be appropriate.
4. The President is requested to keep the Executive Board informed of the progress of the deliberations of the Consultation.
5. The President and the staff are requested to provide such assistance to the Consultation as may be necessary for the effective and efficient discharge of its functions.

Tasks of the Chair of the Consultation

The responsibilities of the IFAD13 External Chair would be similar to those of previous IFAD replenishment chairs. Under the authority of the IFAD13 Consultation, the Chair would:

- (i) Chair formal Consultation meetings;
- (ii) Oversee all aspects of the Consultation meetings, discussions and deliberations, providing guidance and support to the Secretariat;
- (iii) Critically review and comment on draft documentation and reports prepared for each Consultation, ensuring quality control and strategic coherence;
- (iv) With support from the Secretariat, synthesize discussions and prepare a summary of each meeting concisely and accurately, reflecting the status of negotiations;
- (v) Lead and facilitate discussions and negotiations among Member States, as well as between IFAD's leadership and Member States, to build consensus in order to achieve successful outcomes for reviewing the adequacy of the Fund's resources;
- (vi) Mobilize external support for IFAD, including at the political level, within Member States in collaboration with delegates and IFAD Management;
- (vii) Ensure that the final report and recommendations of the Consultation respond to the terms of reference of the Consultation and conform to the Agreement Establishing IFAD and other documents adopted by the Governing Council; and
- (viii) Work with the President and staff to prepare for meetings and negotiations in order to ensure that issues are presented effectively.