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1. Opening of the session
2. Adoption of the agenda
3. IFAD's Action Plan for Improving its Development Effectiveness
 - (a) Action Plan update
 - (b) IFAD results measurement framework
 - (c) IFAD innovation strategy
4. Strategic priorities for a results-based programme of work, Programme Development Financing Facility and administrative budget of IFAD and its Office of Evaluation for 2008
5. Evaluation
 - (a) Report of the Chairperson on the forty-eighth session of the Evaluation Committee
 - (b) Corporate-level evaluation of the Field Presence Pilot Programme
6. President's report on the implementation status of evaluation recommendations and management actions (PRISMA)
7. IFAD's participation in the Debt Initiative for Heavily Indebted Poor Countries
8. Country strategic opportunities programmes
 - (a) Western and Central Africa
 - (i) Burkina Faso
 - (ii) Cameroon
 - (iii) Mauritania
 - (b) Eastern and Southern Africa
 - (i) Kenya
 - (ii) Rwanda
 - (iii) United Republic of Tanzania
 - (c) Latin America and the Caribbean
 - Panama
9. Resources available for commitment
10. Project/programme proposals for consideration by the Executive Board
 - (a) Western and Central Africa
 - (i) Gabon: Agricultural and Rural Development Project
 - (ii) Guinea: Village Communities Support Project – Phase II
 - (iii) Guinea-Bissau: Rural Rehabilitation and Community Development Project
 - (b) Eastern and Southern Africa
 - (i) Lesotho: Rural Financial Intermediation Programme
 - (ii) Uganda: Community Agricultural Infrastructure Improvement Programme
 - (c) Asia and the Pacific
 - (i) Bangladesh: Finance for Enterprise Development and Employment Creation Project
 - (ii) Maldives: Fisheries and Agricultural Diversification Programme
 - (iii) Pakistan: Programme for Increasing Sustainable Microfinance
 - (d) Latin America and the Caribbean

- (i) El Salvador: Rural Development and Modernization Project for the Central and Paracentral Regions
 - (ii) Guatemala: President's Memorandum – National Rural Development Programme: Central and Eastern Regions (Loan No. 651-GT) – Extension of time limit for signature of the loan agreement
 - (iii) Nicaragua: Inclusion of Small-scale Producers in Value Chains and Market Access Project
- (e) Near East and North Africa
- (i) Armenia: Farmer Market Access Programme
 - (ii) Morocco: Rural Development Project in the Mountain Zones of Errachidia Province
 - (iii) Yemen: Rainfed Agriculture and Livestock Project
11. Grant proposals for consideration by the Executive Board
- (a) Grants under the global/regional grants window to CGIAR-supported international centres
 - (b) Grants under the global/regional grants window to non-CGIAR-supported international centres
 - (c) Grant under the country-specific grants window to the Ministry of Finance of Papua New Guinea for the Project for Local Governance and Community Participation in Oil-Palm-Growing Provinces
12. Planned project activities
13. Financial matters
- (a) Status reports
 - (i) Report on the status of contributions to the Seventh Replenishment of IFAD's Resources
 - (ii) Report on IFAD's investment portfolio for the second quarter of 2007
 - (b) Report of the Audit Committee
14. Draft provisional agenda for the thirty-first session of the Governing Council
15. Other business
- (a) Application for non-original membership
 - (b) Rural poverty report
 - (c) Collaboration on administrative and processing work among FAO, WFP and IFAD
 - (d) Election of representatives of the Governing Council to the IFAD Staff Pension Committee
 - (e) Minutes of the ninetieth session of the Executive Board
 - (f) Amendment to Rule 7 of the Rules of Procedure of the Executive Board

