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As communicated to the Executive Board at its ninety-sixth session, the Chairperson of the Board – the President of IFAD – has proposed the implementation of a number of measures to enhance the effectiveness of the Executive Board.

Among these is the proposal that items presented for information will be discussed during a Board session only at the specific request of a Board member. Such requests should be submitted in writing to the Secretary of IFAD three weeks before the Board session.

The schedule of work will include only items to be discussed during the Board session (i.e. items for approval or review and items for information for which a written request for discussion at the Board has been received) and will be posted on the IFAD website two weeks before the session.

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

A = For approval

I = For information

R = For review

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“...The four-week dispatch limit with respect to documents presented for and requiring action by the Executive Board at a session shall not be exceeded. However, if necessary, information relating to matters that do not require decisions by the Board, or additional information regarding projects, may be provided subsequently. ”

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1. Opening of the session
2. Adoption of the agenda **[A]**
3. Oral update on global trends in food security and rural development **[I]**
4. Results Measurement Framework for the Eighth Replenishment period (2010-2012) **[A]**
5. IFAD Policy on Engagement with Indigenous Peoples **[A]**
6. High-level preview of IFAD's 2010 results-based programme of work and administrative and capital budgets, and the Office of Evaluation's three-year (2010-2012) rolling work programme and 2010 resource issues **[R]**
7. Evaluation
 - (a) Reports of the Chairperson of the Evaluation Committee
 - (i) Report of the Chairperson on the fifty-sixth session of the Evaluation Committee **[A]**
 - (ii) Report of the Chairperson on the fifty-seventh session of the Evaluation Committee **[A]**
 - (iii) Report of the Chairperson on the fifty-eighth session of the Evaluation Committee **[R]**
 - (b) Peer Review of IFAD's Office of Evaluation and Evaluation Function – Review Approach Paper **[A]**
8. President's Report on the Implementation Status of Evaluation Recommendations and Management Actions **[R]**
9. Country strategic opportunities programmes **[R]**
 - (a) Chad
 - (b) Peru
 - (c) Philippines
10. Resources available for commitment **[A]**
11. Project/programme proposals for consideration by the Executive Board **[A]**
 - (a) Western and Central Africa
 - (i) Chad: Pastoral Water and Resource Management Project in Sahelian Areas
 - (ii) Mauritania: Value Chains Development Programme for Poverty Reduction
 - (b) Eastern and Southern Africa
 - (i) Ethiopia: Pastoral Community Development Project II
 - (ii) Uganda: District Livelihoods Support Programme – Supplementary loan
 - (iii) Uganda: Community Agricultural Infrastructure Improvement Programme – Supplementary loan
 - (iv) Zambia: Smallholder Agribusiness Promotion Programme

- (c) Asia and the Pacific
 - (i) Bangladesh: Participatory Small-scale Water Resources Sector Project
 - (ii) Pakistan: Crop Maximization Support Project
 - (d) Latin America and the Caribbean
 - (i) Brazil: Semi-arid Sustainable Development Project in the State of Piauí (Viva o Semi-Árido)
 - (ii) Ecuador: Ibarra-San Lorenzo Development Project
 - (iii) Haiti: Small-scale Irrigation Development Project (PPI-2) – Supplementary grant
 - (iv) Mexico: Community-based Forestry Development Project for Southern States (Campeche, Chiapas and Oaxaca)
 - (v) Paraguay: President’s memorandum: Proposed supplementary financing for the Empowerment of Rural Poor Organizations and Harmonization of Investments (*Paraguay Rural*) Project
 - (e) Near East and North Africa
 - (i) Djibouti: President’s memorandum: Microfinance and Microenterprise Development Project – Amendment to the loan agreement
 - (ii) Lebanon: Hilly Areas Sustainable Agricultural Development Project
 - (iii) Sudan: Revitalizing The Sudan Gum Arabic Production and Marketing Project
 - (iv) The West Bank and Gaza: President's memorandum: Proposal to channel the net balance due under the Rehabilitation and Development Project in Gaza and the West Bank (Phase II) (RDP-II) into the IFAD Fund for Gaza and the West Bank
 - (f) President’s memorandum: Modification of supervision arrangements
 - (g) IFAD Policy on the Disclosure of Documents **[A]**
12. Grant proposals for consideration by the Executive Board **[A]**
- (a) Grant under the global/regional grants window to a Consultative Group on International Agricultural Research (CGIAR)-supported international centre
 - (b) Grants under the global/regional grants window to non-CGIAR-supported international centres and organizations
 - (c) Grant under the global/regional grants window to the Global Mechanism of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification (UNCCD), for the Programme for Designing Integrated Financing Strategies for UNCCD Implementation in Selected Countries of Asia and the Pacific, and Latin America and the Caribbean – Second instalment
13. Planned project activities **[I]**
14. High-Level Task Force on the Global Food Security Crisis and the administered account for its financial coordination mechanism **[R]**
15. Directions for collaboration among the Rome-based agencies **[R]**
16. Financial matters
- (a) Report on the Eighth Replenishment of IFAD’s resources **[A]**

- (b) Status reports **[I]**
 - (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 2009
 - (c) Reports of the Audit Committee
 - (i) Report of the Chairperson on the 105th meeting of the Audit Committee **[R]**
 - (ii) Report of the Chairperson on the 106th meeting of the Audit Committee **[R]**
 - (iii) Report of the Chairperson on the 107th meeting of the Audit Committee **[R]**
 - (iv) Terms of Reference and Rules of Procedure of the Audit Committee of the Executive Board **[A]**
 - (d) IFAD's lending terms and conditions: interest rates for the year 2010 for loans on ordinary and intermediate terms **[A]**
17. Draft provisional agenda for the thirty-third session of the Governing Council **[A]**
18. Other business
- (a) Appointment of members to the Working Group on the Performance-based Allocation System **[A]**
 - (b) Minutes of the ninety-sixth session of the Executive Board **[A]**