

IOE



Investing in rural people

Independent Office of Evaluation



# Preview of IOE's Work programme and budget for 2023

Evaluation Committee, September 2022

## Objectives



1. Contribute to forge IFAD as a **transparent, learning-oriented and accountable** organization



3. Engage with Management, member states and other external partners to support **evaluation capacity inside and outside IFAD**



2. Improve evaluation **coverage**, promote **transformative evaluations**, ensuring rigour, and cost-effectiveness.



4. Retain and deepen IOE's position as an **internationally recognised leader** in rural development evaluation

- ☐ Continue the application of the 2022 Evaluation Manual to all IOE evaluation products
- ☐ Complete a Thematic Evaluation on IFAD's progress on gender equality.
- ☐ Complete a Corporate-level evaluation (CLE) on knowledge management at IFAD.
- ☐ Start a Thematic Evaluation on the progress made by IFAD on nutrition and food security (for completion in 2024)
- ☐ Corporate-level reviews, (i) a review on the Result Management Framework for IFAD12; and (ii) an ex-post review on the actions taken on the recommendations of the 2018 CLE on the Financial Architecture of IFAD
- ☐ ARIE 2022

# Improving evaluation coverage

- ❑ Country strategy and programme evaluations  
Complete CSPEs in China and Ethiopia
- ❑ Conduct CSPEs in:  
Argentina; India; Mauritania (first CSPE); Rwanda; Haiti (first CSPE)
- ❑ Sub-regional evaluation Dry Corridor of Meso-America
- ❑ Complete Project cluster evaluation (PCE) on rural finance projects in East and Southern Africa region in 2023.
- ❑ Project Performance Evaluations in : Bosnia and Herzegovina\*; Chad, Solomon Islands\*  
\* First PPE in the country
- ❑ Project Completion Report Validations (about 30-35)

# Evaluation capacity development and IOE's leadership in rural development evaluation

## **Evaluation capacity development**

- 'Internal' capacity support to IFAD staff, focusing on the 2022 Evaluation Manual
- 'External' capacity targeting member countries, in collaboration with IFAD Management and facilitating contacts with international networks such as the Global Evaluation Initiative

## **IOE's leadership role in rural development evaluation**

- Continue engaging with international networks and associations on evaluation (e.g., ECG, UNEG, IDEAS, AfREA, EES)
- In 2023, IOE will host the annual meeting of the International Research Group for Policy and Program Evaluation (IntEval)
- Annual workshop with the Evaluation Advisory Panel



- IOE Multi-year strategy and IFAD Management request drive an increase in strategic evaluations (country-level, sub-regional, thematic and corporate)
- Pressure on current staff. IOE takes prudent approach and will continue to be selective in accepting evaluation requests
- IOE staff will continue to lead evaluations to guarantee quality, independence and internalization of knowledge.

## IOE request

- Upgrading of a vacant P3 position to P4 (to lead CSPEs / SRE / TE)
- One new P3 position (to lead PPE, PCE)
- One new G4 position (need admin support for multi-country evaluations, capacity development). Part of the costs internalized by IOE

# Budget Implications

	Approved 2022 budget (000 US\$)	Proposed 2023 budget (000 US\$)	Diff 2023-2022 (000 US\$)
<b>Non-staff costs</b>	2 460	2 490	+30
<b>Staff costs</b>	3 388	3 619	+231
<b>Total</b>	5 848	6 109	+261
<b>% of POLG</b>	0.50%	0.52%	

