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Provisional agenda of the Evaluation Committee for 2025

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Action: The Evaluation Committee is invited to review the provisional agenda of the Evaluation Committee for 2025.

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- 1. **Background**. In accordance with the revised Terms of Reference and Rules of Procedure of the Evaluation Committee of the Executive Board,¹ approved by the Executive Board in April 2021, this document contains the Evaluation Committee's programme of work for 2025.
- 2. Dates of Evaluation Committee sessions. The present document also includes the dates for the four Committee sessions planned for 2025. The dates have been determined in consultation with the Office of the Secretary to avoid overlap with the planned governing body meetings of the two other Rome-based agencies. Moreover, at its 125th session in June 2024, the Evaluation Committee reviewed and approved the proposed dates for its sessions in 2025 in order to avoid scheduling conflicts with other major events planned during the same period.
- 3. **Objective**. The proposed agenda will enable the Committee to carry out its role and responsibilities in accordance with its Terms of Reference and Rules of Procedure, and the Revised IFAD Evaluation Policy. The aim is to ensure that the Committee has the opportunity to review and comment on the main reports produced by the Independent Office of Evaluation of IFAD (IOE) and IFAD Management. These reports fall into three categories:
 - (i) The Annual Report on the Independent Evaluation of IFAD (ARIE) and a selection of independent evaluation reports, as decided by the Committee, together with IFAD Management's response to the selected evaluations; and draft approach papers for corporate-level evaluations and other evaluations as requested by the Evaluation Committee.
 - (ii) Self-evaluation products included in the Committee's approved annual work programme. These include the President's Report on the Implementation Status of Evaluation Recommendations and Management Actions (PRISMA), the Report on IFAD's Development Effectiveness (RIDE) and the Report on IFAD's Mainstreaming Effectiveness (RIME), together with IOE comments thereon.
 - (iii) Draft operational policy and strategy proposals stemming from evaluations conducted, as well as proposals on other matters referred to the Committee for study and report in accordance with rule 11.1 of the Rules of Procedure of the Executive Board, including IOE's comments and Management's responses on the proposals, before they are considered by the Executive Board.
- 4. **Decision**. The Committee is requested to consider the information contained in the following table and decide on the proposed agendas for its four planned sessions in 2025. In accordance with its Terms of Reference and Rules of Procedure, the Evaluation Committee may decide to hold additional sessions during the year over and above the four planned for 2025 in order to discharge its oversight functions effectively.

¹ EB 2021/132/R.6/Rev.1.

Dates and provisional agenda of the Evaluation Committee in 2025*

Session and date	Item	Provisional title
128th session Wednesday, 19 March	1	Country strategy and programme evaluation for Dominican Republic
	2	Country strategy and programme evaluation for Mauritania
	3	Country strategy and programme evaluation for Ghana
	4	Other business
129th session Tuesday, 10 June	1	Country strategy and programme evaluation for Lao People's Democratic Republic
	2	Country strategy and programme evaluation for Egypt
	3	Thematic evaluation of IFAD's support to nutrition
	4	Proposed dates for sessions of the Evaluation Committee in 2026
	5	Other business
130th session Friday, 5 September	1	2025 ARIE with Management's response
	2	2025 RIDE with IOE comments
	3	2025 RIME with IOE comments
	4	2025 PRISMA with IOE comments
	5	IFAD12 Impact Assessment Initiative with IOE comments
	6	Preview of the results-based work programme and budget for 2026 and indicative plan for 2027–2028 of IOE
	7	Other business
131st session Thursday, 6 November	1	Results-based work programme and budget for 2026 and indicative plan for 2027–2028 of IOE
	2	Evaluation of IFAD's engagement in small island developing states: Global and regional perspectives
	3	Provisional agenda of the Evaluation Committee for 2026
	4	Approach paper of the external peer review of IFAD's evaluation function
	5	Other business

* Further items may be added by Management in due course.