

IOE



Investing in rural people

Independent Office of Evaluation

**Evaluation
Committee
130th session**

A photograph of tall grass silhouettes against a bright, hazy sunset sky, with the sun low on the horizon creating a warm, golden glow.

Preview of IOE's Work programme and budget for 2026

05 September 2025

FORGE CORPORATE CULTURE

Contribute to forging IFAD's corporate culture as a transparent, learning-oriented and accountable organization.



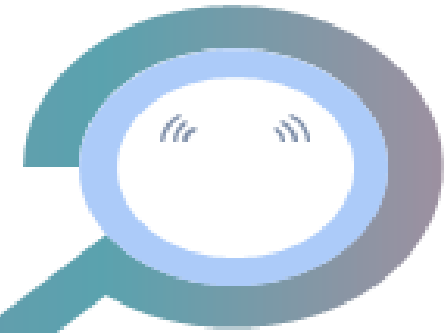
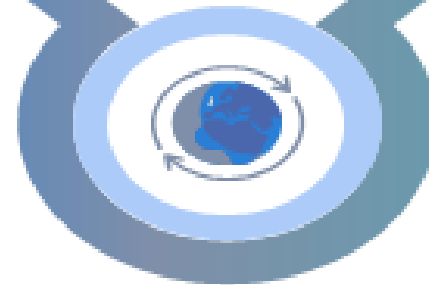
IMPROVE COVERAGE

Improve evaluation coverage and promote transformative evaluations that reflect the scale and scope of IFAD operations.



BUILD EVALUATION DIALOGUES

Engage with Management, Member States and external partners to support evaluation capacity and use within and outside IFAD.



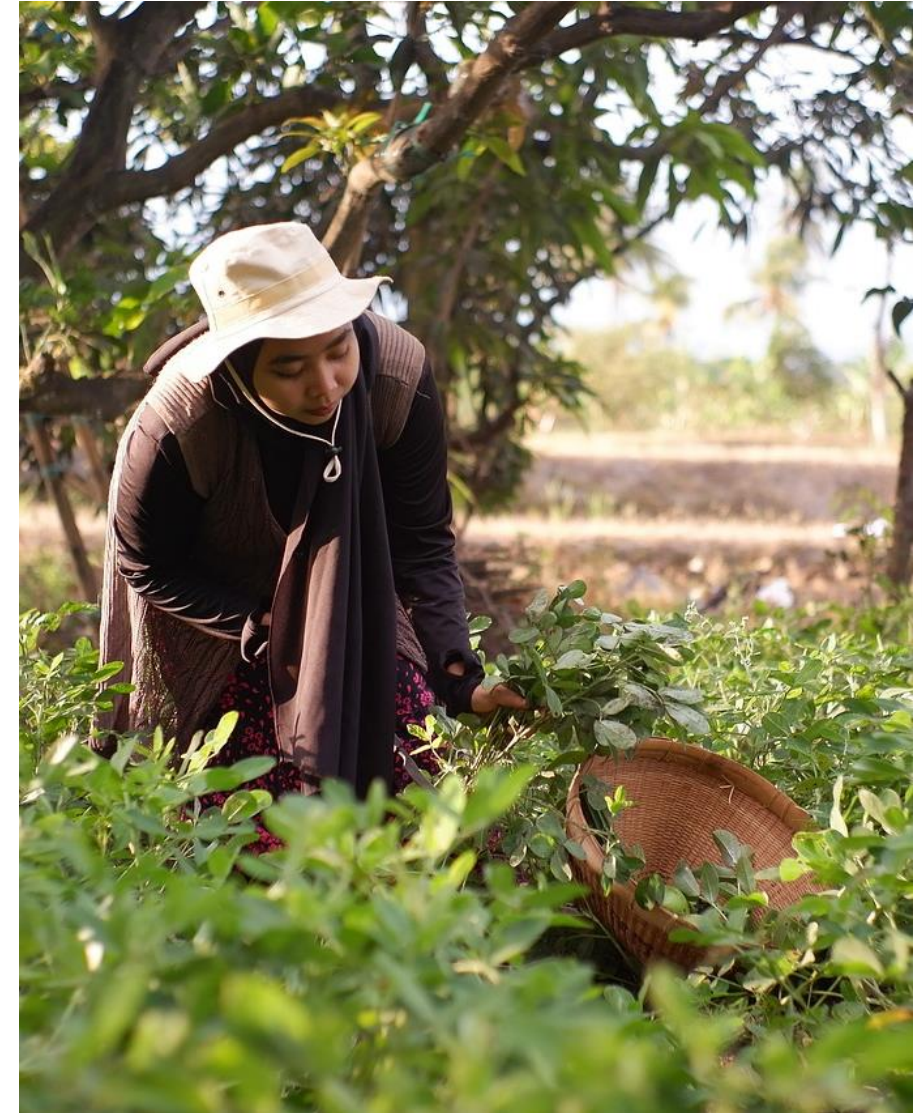
RETAIN & DEEPEN LEADERSHIP

Retain and deepen IOE's position as an internationally recognized leader in the evaluation of rural development programmes, policies and strategies.

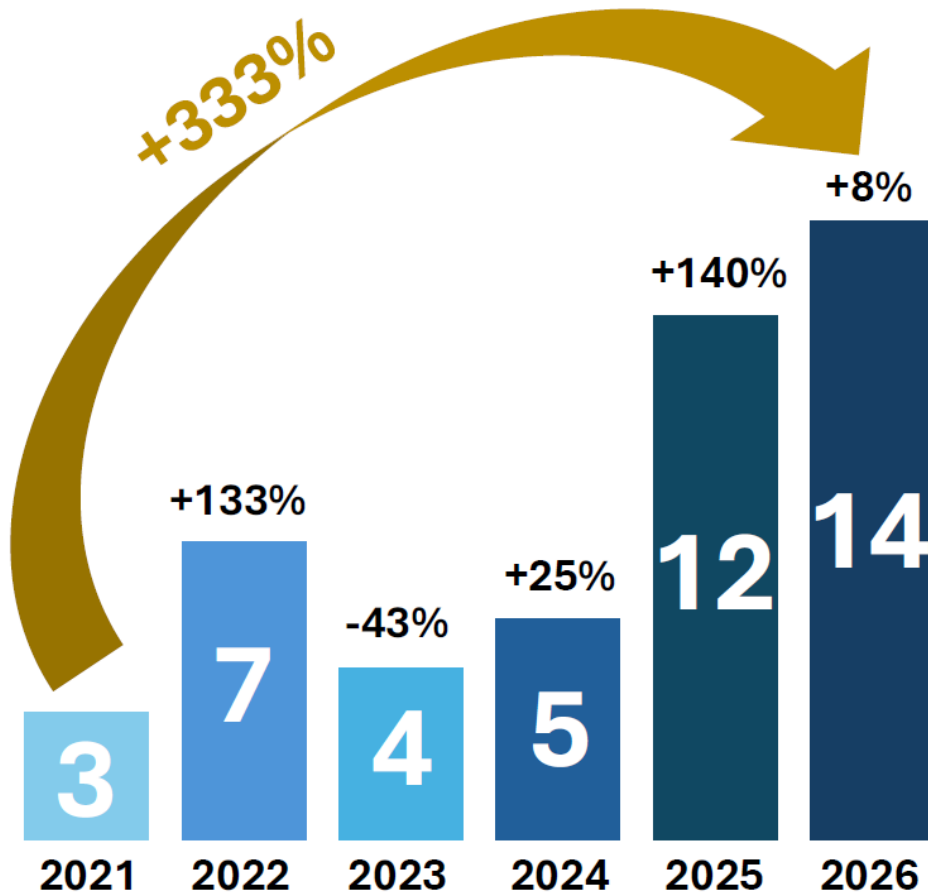


- ❑ Thematic Evaluation on IFAD-funded interventions in human nutrition
- ❑ Evaluation on IFAD's experience in the Small Island Development States
- ❑ Planned completion of CLE on IFAD11 and IFAD12
- ❑ Annual Report on the Independent Evaluation of IFAD (ARIE), with analysis on sustainability of benefits
- ❑ Increased CSPE coverage – 5 completed and presented to the EC and 9 scheduled for completion by end of 2025. 69% of COSOPs going to the EB will be preceded by a CSPE – up from 56% in 2024 and 20% in 2023.
- ❑ Continued thought leadership and knowledge generation: Chair of Evaluation Cooperation Group, AfrEA keynote, AI for Good Summit, ReLAC keynote, Asian Evaluation Week

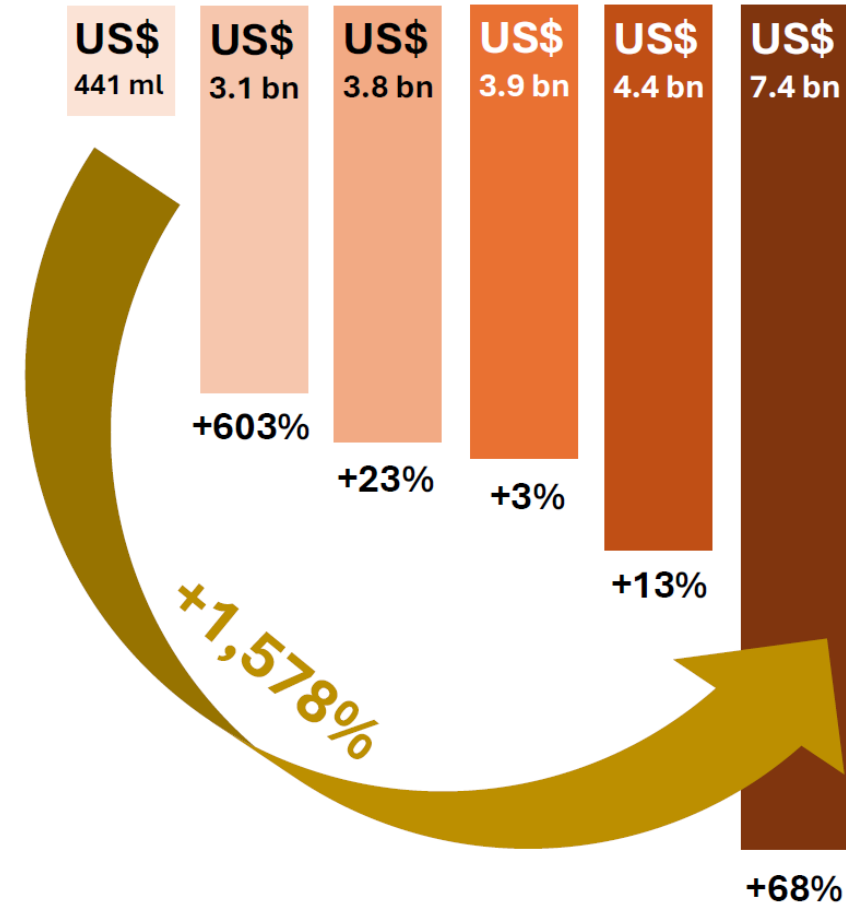
- ❑ Corporate-level evaluation (CLE) of IFAD's Human Resource Policy Framework
- ❑ CLE on Supplementary Funding
- ❑ Sub-regional evaluation (SRE) on conflict-affected states in the Near East and North Africa
- ❑ Continued increased coverage in 2026 with 23 total evaluations: 14 CSPEs, 5 PPEs, 2 project cluster evaluations, 1 SRE, 2 CLEs
- ❑ Annual Report on the Independent Evaluation of IFAD (ARIE). Annual topic for the ARIE to be decided in consultation with the governing bodies and IFAD Management



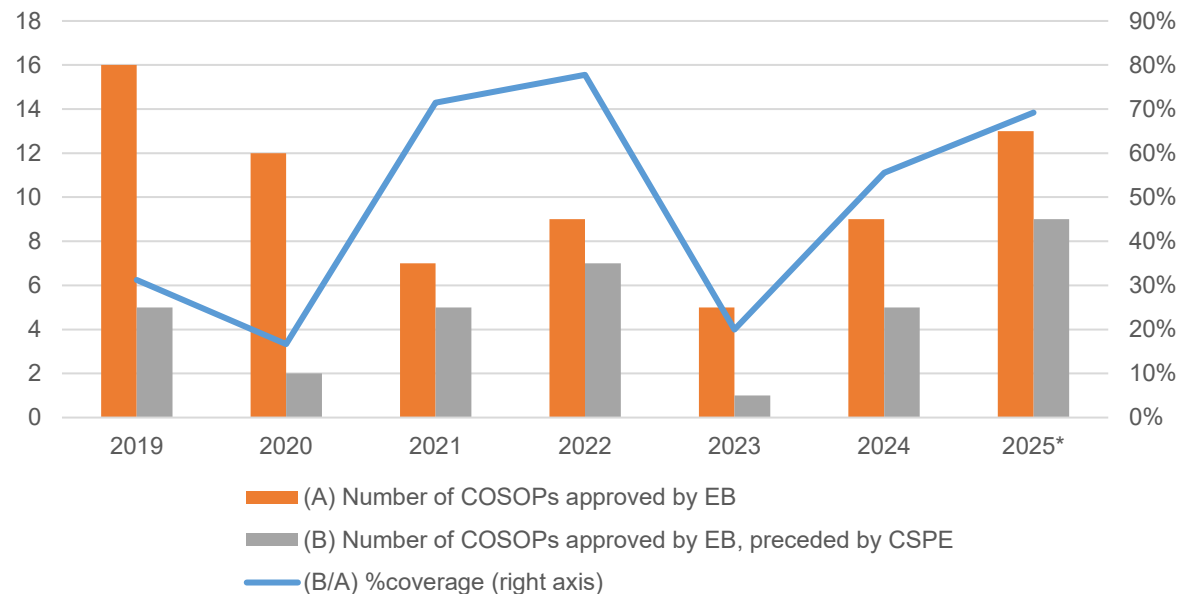
CSPE growth 2021-2026



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Significantly increased evaluation coverage



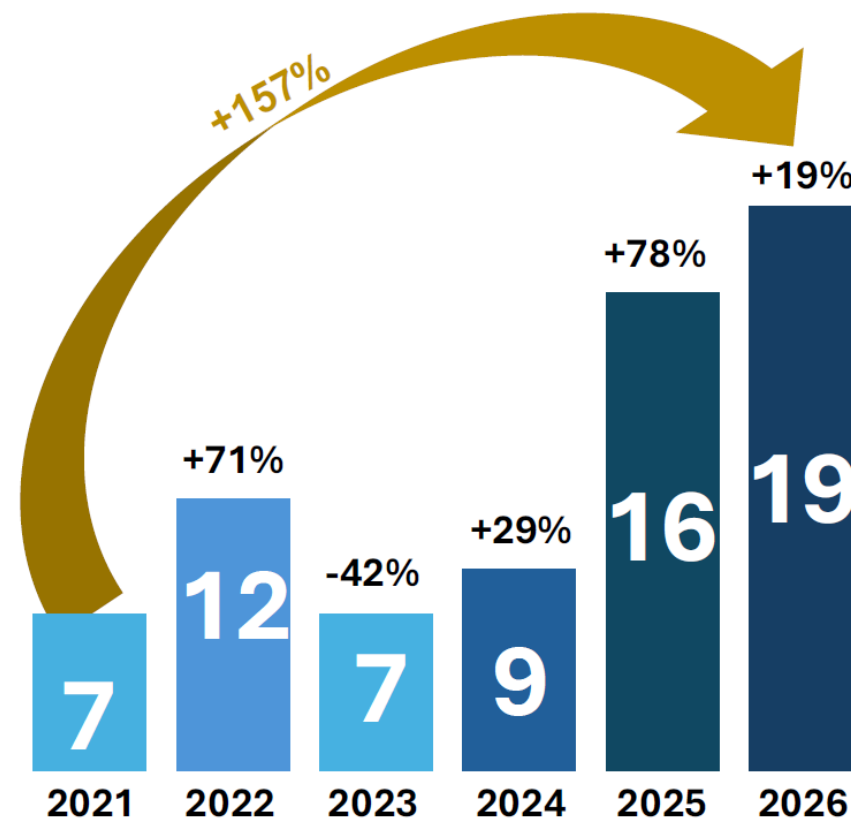
*2025 include Sept and Nov EC sessions

In 2026, IOE evaluations - CSPEs, PPEs and higher plane evaluations** - are estimated to cover **over 30 countries** representing one-third of total IFAD operations

**higher plane country coverage not represented in the infographic

Consolidated Country Strategy and Programme Evaluation and Project Performance Evaluation

Progression: 2021 - 2026

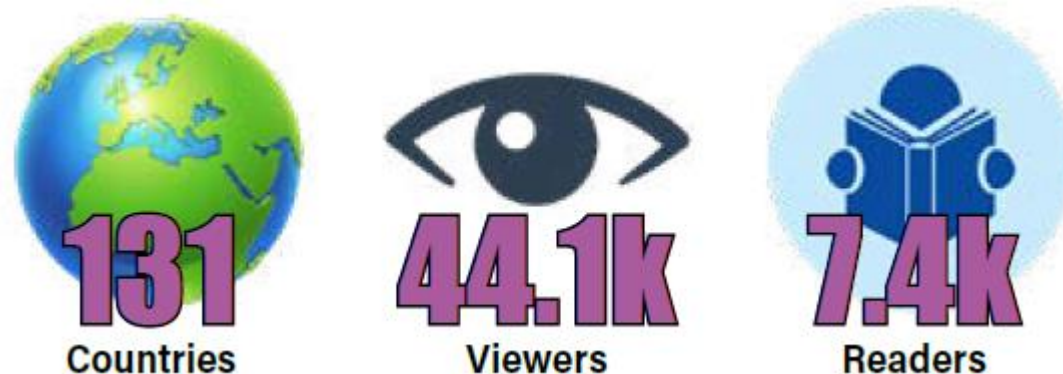


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IOE website's strong global reach



Independent Magazine's increased readership



IOE reports published for transparency



Fast-growing social media engagement

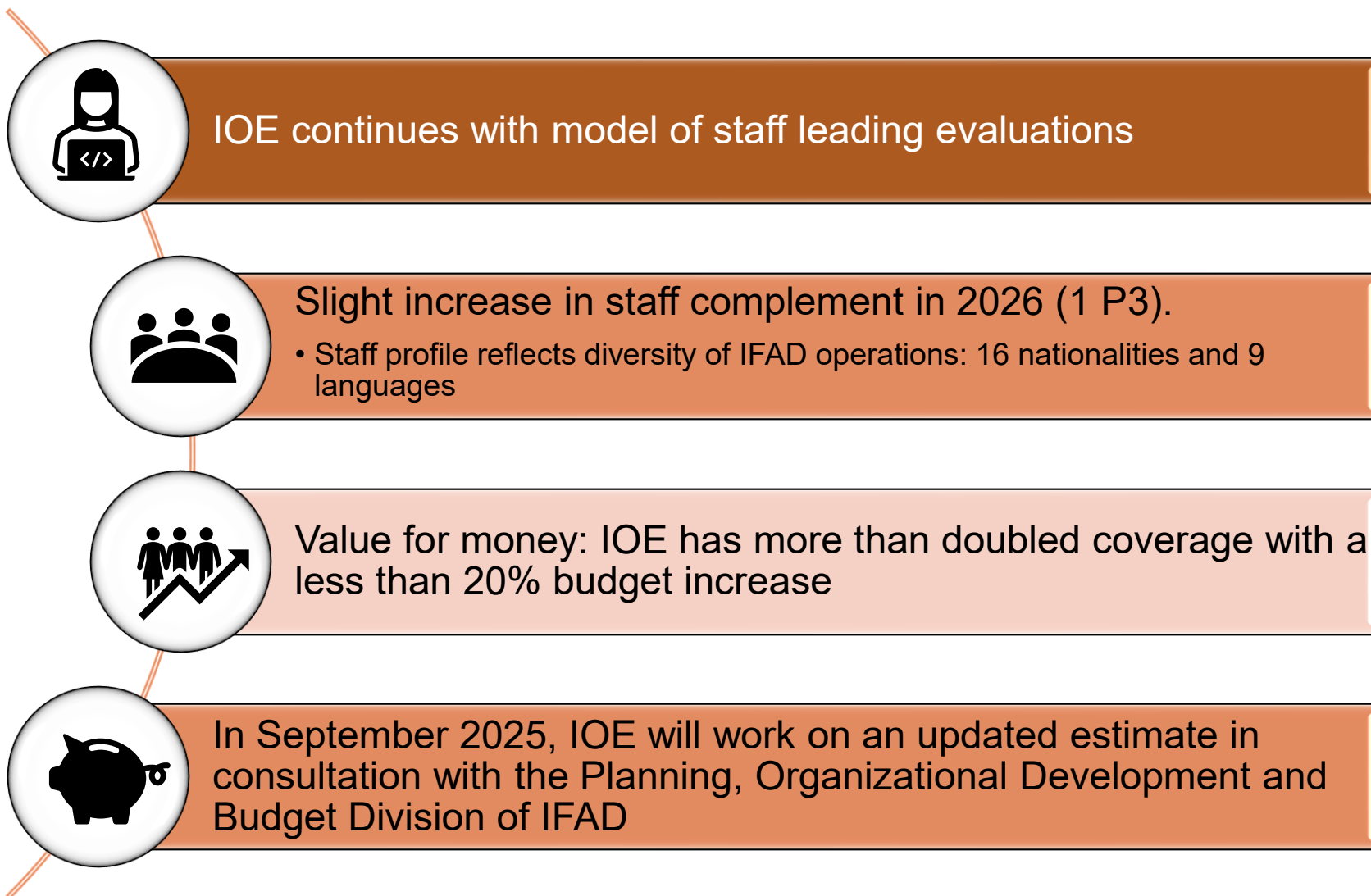


Furthering IOE's leadership in evaluation and accountability

- In coordination with Management, undergo the **External Peer Review of the IFAD evaluation function**, in 2026, led by ECG, covering self- and independent evaluation
- Engage with international evaluation networks (ECG, UNEG, IntEVAL)
- IOE will co-host the UN Evaluation Group in February 2026.
- Engage with its Evaluation Advisory Panel, hold the fourth workshop in 2026

Capacity development

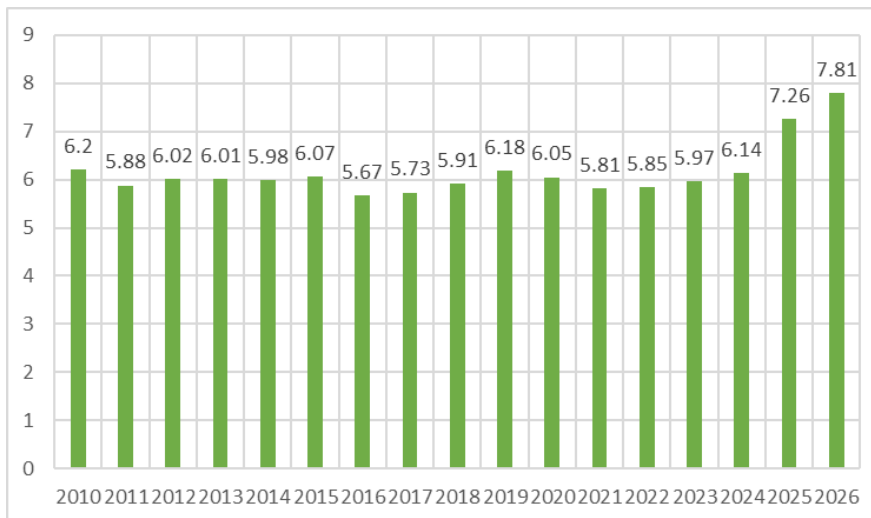
- IOE to continue to organize on demand seminars on evaluation practices and evaluation methodology
- Continue support to the Global Evaluation Initiative, led by the World Bank's Independent Evaluation Group, in collaboration with the World Bank's Independent Evaluation Group



	Approved budget 2025 (000 US\$)	Proposed 2026 budget (000 US\$)
Non-staff costs	3 050	3 455
Staff costs	4 207	4 350
Total	7 257	7 805
% of POLG (est)	0.64%	0.69%

- Proposed 2026 budget is a 7.55% increase from 2025, as a right sizing vis-à-vis its increased programme of work to meet evaluation demand, learning and accountability needs
- IOE's proposed budget is a 0.69% of the estimated PoLG – well below its 0.9% cap

IOE budget in US\$ million (2010-2026)



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