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Proposed provisional agenda of the Evaluation Committee for 2013

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Evaluation Committee — Seventy-fourth Session
Rome, 21-22 November 2012

For: Review

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1. **Background.** As per the Terms of Reference and Rules of Procedure of the Evaluation Committee¹ approved by the Executive Board in May 2011, this document contains the proposed provisional programme of work (hereafter "provisional agenda") for the Evaluation Committee in 2013.
2. It is to be noted that rule 2 of the Committee's rules of procedure provides that "the Committee retains the prerogative to revise by adding, deleting, defining or amending items on the agenda during the course of the year".
3. **Dates of Evaluation Committee sessions.** The document also proposes dates for the five Committee sessions planned for 2013. The dates have been defined in consultation with the Office of the Secretary in order to avoid overlap with the planned governing body meetings of the two other Rome-based United Nations food and agriculture organizations.
4. **Objective.** The proposed provisional agenda ensures that the Committee is enabled to carry out its role and responsibilities in accordance with the revised IFAD Evaluation Policy and the Terms of Reference and Rules of Procedure of the Evaluation Committee. As such, given the Committee's role in the procedure for the selection and appointment of the Director of the Independent Office of Evaluation of IFAD (IOE), the establishment of the search panel and the Board's consideration of the appointment of a new Director of IOE at its April 2013 session, a meeting of the Evaluation Committee on this issue has been scheduled for February 2013. Furthermore, the proposed provisional agenda seeks to ensure that the Committee has, as in the past, the opportunity to review and comment on the main evaluation reports produced by IOE and IFAD Management. These reports fall into three categories:
 - (a) Evaluation reports produced annually by IOE and Management, as called for by the IFAD Evaluation Policy as well as the Committee's terms of reference. This category includes the Annual Report on Results and Impact of IFAD Operations (ARRI), the Work Programme and Budget of IOE, the Report on IFAD's Development Effectiveness (RIDE), and the President's Report on the Implementation Status of Evaluation Recommendations and Management Actions (PRISMA);
 - (b) A variety of evaluation reports prepared by IOE, including all corporate-level evaluations, a selected number of country programme and project evaluations, as well as evaluation syntheses; and
 - (c) All corporate operational policy and strategy proposals arising from evaluation lessons and recommendations, including IOE's comments on the proposals before they are considered by the Executive Board.
5. **Criteria for the selection of evaluations to be presented to the Evaluation Committee.** IOE reviewed past Committee agendas and found that each year the Committee considered all corporate-level evaluations prepared by IOE, two country programme evaluations, and two or three project evaluations produced by IOE.² These figures have been taken into account in preparing this provisional agenda.
6. **Decision.** The Committee is requested to consider the information contained in the following table, and decide on the proposed dates and agenda for its five planned

¹ See document EB 2011/102/R.47/Rev.1.

² The report on the production status of agreements at completion point (ACPs), originally foreseen for submission to the Committee for information on a biannual basis, from now on will be submitted to the Committee, if and when required, to seek the Committee's guidance on the finalization of ACPs where there may be a difference of opinion between the Programme Management Department, the government and/or IOE on the way forward.

sessions in 2013 and the 2013 annual country visit of the Evaluation Committee. As per its Terms of Reference and Rules of Procedure, the Evaluation Committee may, during the year, decide to hold additional sessions – over and above the four planned in 2013 – in order to effectively discharge its oversight functions.

Proposed dates and provisional agenda of the Evaluation Committee in 2013

Seventy-fifth Session (Friday, 21 February 2013) (closed session)

Item 1	Report of the search panel on the selection of the Director, IOE
Item 2	Other business

Seventy-sixth Session (Wednesday-Thursday, 3-4 April 2013)

Item 1	Minutes of the seventy-fourth and seventy-fifth sessions
Item 2	Approach paper on the corporate-level evaluation on the achievements of IFAD replenishments
Item 3	Approach paper on the corporate-level evaluation on the revised IFAD policy for grant financing
Item 4	Approach paper on the Impact evaluation of the Dry Zone Livelihood Support and Partnership Programme in Sri Lanka
Item 5	PowerPoint presentation on the emerging findings from the corporate-level evaluation on direct supervision and implementation support
Item 6	Corporate-level evaluation on an assessment of IFAD's institutional efficiency and the efficiency of IFAD-funded operations
Item 7	Other business

Seventy-seventh Session (Wednesday-Thursday, 26-27 June 2013)

Item 1	Minutes of the seventy-sixth session
Item 2	Chairperson's report on the country visit to Viet Nam
Item 3	Preview of the Office of Evaluation's results-based work programme and budget for 2014 and indicative plan for 2015-2016
Item 4	Corporate-level evaluation on direct supervision and implementation support
Item 5	Country programme evaluation for Mali
Item 6	Follow-up study to assess the implementation of recommendations from the Joint Evaluation of the Agriculture and Rural Development Policies and Operations in Africa of the African Development Bank and IFAD
Item 7	President's Report on the Implementation Status of Evaluation Recommendations and Management Actions (PRISMA) with IOE comments
Item 8	Other business

Seventy-eighth Session (Monday-Tuesday, 30 September-1 October 2013)

Item 1	Minutes of the seventy-seventh session
Item 2	IOE's results-based work programme and budget for 2014 and indicative plan for 2015-2016
Item 3	One project performance assessment
Item 4	Country programme evaluation for Ecuador
Item 5	Other business

Seventy-ninth Session (Wednesday-Thursday, 27-28 November 2013)

Item 1	Minutes of the seventy-eight session
Item 2	Annual Report on Results and Impact of IFAD's Operations (ARRI)
Item 3	Corporate-level evaluation on the achievements of IFAD replenishments
Item 4	Impact evaluation of the Dry Zone Livelihood Support and Partnership Programme in Sri Lanka
Item 5	Evaluation synthesis on water management and conservation
Item 6	Provisional agenda of the Evaluation Committee for 2014
Item 7	Report on IFAD's Development Effectiveness (RIDE) with IOE's comments
Item 8	Other business

2013 Annual Country Visit of the Evaluation Committee

- At its sixty-sixth session of 3 March 2011, the Evaluation Committee considered the document Annual country visits of the Evaluation Committee 2011-2013 (EC 2011/66/W.P.4), which proposed that the Committee undertake country visits to Brazil (2011), Ghana (2012) and Viet Nam (2013).
- It is proposed that the country visit to Viet Nam be held from 20 to 24 May 2013, which does not coincide with any governing body meetings of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO), IFAD or World Food Programme.