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## Revised provisional agenda of the Evaluation Committee for 2016

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- 1. Background. As per the Terms of Reference and Rules of Procedure of the Evaluation Committee of the Executive Board<sup>1</sup> approved by the Executive Board in May 2011, this document contains the revised programme of work for the Evaluation Committee in 2016.
- 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 four Committee sessions planned in 2016. 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. Furthermore, at its eighty-ninth session, in discussing the proposed provisional agenda of the Evaluation Committee in 2016, Committee members agreed to anticipate the session planned for November 2016 to June 2016. Therefore, the provisional agenda is being resubmitted to the ninetieth session of the Evaluation Committee for final review.
- 4. Objective. The proposed agenda will enable the Committee 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. It seeks to ensure that the Committee has the opportunity to review and comment on the main evaluation reports produced by the Independent Office of Evaluation of IFAD (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 and 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, and 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, a selected number of country programme evaluations, and two or three project evaluations. Specifically, the selection of evaluation reports to be considered by the Evaluation Committee is based on evaluation exercises recently concluded, and on the necessity to inform decision-making processes, such as the approval of a new country strategic opportunities programme (COSOP) by the Executive Board. These criteria 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 agendas for its four planned sessions in 2016. 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 2016 in order to effectively discharge its oversight functions.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> See EB 2011/102/R.47/Rev.1.

## Proposed dates and provisional agenda of the Evaluation Committee in 2016

Ninety-first	t Session (Tuesday, 29 March and Wednesday, 30 March)
Item 1	Corporate-level evaluation on IFAD's performance-based allocation system (PBAS)
Item 2	Draft approach paper on the corporate-level evaluation on IFAD's decentralization
Item 3	Country programme evaluation for Brazil
Item 4	Country programme evaluation for Turkey
Item 5	Strategy for IFAD's engagement with countries in fragile situations, with IC comments
Item 6	Synthesis report on the impact evaluation initiative under the Ninth Replenishment of IFAD's Resources (IFAD9) with IOE comments
Item 7	Other business
Item 1	ond Session (Tuesday, 21 June)  Country programme evaluation for The Gambia
Item 2	Country programme evaluation for Ethiopia
Item 3	Project performance assessment of the Environment Conservation and Poverty Reduction Programme in Ningxia and Shanxi in China
Item 4	Evaluation synthesis on non-lending activities in the context of South-South Cooperation
Item 5	Joint evaluation synthesis on IFAD/FAO's engagement with pastoral development (2003-2013)
Item 6	Other business
Ninety-thir	d Session (Tuesday, 6 September)
Item 1	Preview of the results-based work programme and budget for 2017 and indicative plan for 2018-2019 of IOE
Item 2	Annual Report on Results and Impact of IFAD Operations (ARRI) with Management's response
Item 3	Report on IFAD's Development Effectiveness (RIDE) with IOE comments
Item 4	President's Report on the Implementation Status of Evaluation Recommendations and Management Actions (PRISMA) with IOE comments
Item 5	Country programme evaluation for Nigeria
Item 6	Other business
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Item 1	Results-based work programme and budget for 2017 and indicative plan for 2018-2019 of IOE
Item 2	Provisional agenda of the Evaluation Committee for 2017
Item 3	Country programme evaluation for India
Item 4	Evaluation synthesis on the IFAD Environment and Natural Resource Management Policy
Item 5	Evaluation synthesis on smallholders' access to markets
Item 6	Impact evaluation of the Sofala Bank Artisanal Fisheries Project in Mozambique
Item 7	Other business