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Provisional agenda of the Evaluation Committee for 2017

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For: Review

Provisional agenda of the Evaluation Committee for 2017

- 1. Background. In accordance with the Terms of Reference and Rules of Procedure of the Evaluation Committee of the Executive Board, approved by the Executive Board in May 2011, this document contains the programme of work for the Evaluation Committee for 2017.
- 2. 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 includes dates for the four Committee sessions planned for 2017. The dates have been defined in consultation with the Office of the Secretary in order to avoid overlap with planned governing body meetings of the two other Rome-based agencies. Moreover, at its ninety-second session, the Evaluation Committee reviewed and approved the proposed dates for its sessions in 2017 so as to avoid scheduling conflicts with other major events planned during the same period.
- 4. 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 IFAD Evaluation Policy. 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 and rules of procedure. 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 (CLEs), a selected number of country strategy and programme evaluations (CSPEs), project performance evaluations (PPEs), impact evaluations and evaluation synthesis reports; 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 CLEs, a selected number of CSPEs, one or two PPEs, and one impact evaluation. 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 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 to decide on the proposed dates and agendas for its four planned sessions in 2017. In accordance with 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 for 2017 in order to effectively discharge its oversight functions.

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¹ Document EB 2011/102/R.47/Rev.1.

Dates and provisional agenda of the Evaluation Committee in 2017

Session and date	Item	Provisional title
Ninety-sixth session		
(Thursday, 23 March)	1	Country strategy and programme evaluation for the Philippines
	2	Draft approach paper on the corporate-level evaluation of IFAD's financial architecture
	3	Revised harmonization agreement between IFAD's independent and self-evaluation systems
	4	Technical proposal on the performance-based allocation system, with IOE comments thereon
	5	Evaluation synthesis report on scaling up
	6	Other business
Ninety-seventh session		
(Wednesday, 12 July)	1	Country strategy and programme evaluation for the Democratic Republic of the Congo
	2	Country strategy and programme evaluation for Nicaragua
	3	One project performance evaluation (to be determined)
	4	Evaluation synthesis report on policy dialogue
	5	Proposed dates for sessions of the Evaluation Committee in 2018
	6	Other business
Ninety-eighth session (Tuesday, 5 September)	1	Preview of the results-based work programme and budget for 2018, and indicative plan for 2019-2020 of IOE
	2	Annual Report on Results and Impact of IFAD Operations (ARRI) with Management's response
	3	Report on IFAD's Development Effectiveness (RIDE) with IOE comments
	4	President's Report on the Implementation Status of Evaluation Recommendations and Management Actions (PRISMA) with IOE comments
	5	New impact evaluation
	6	Other business
Ninety-ninth session (Thursday, 26 October)	1	Results-based work programme and budget for 2018 and indicative plan for 2019-2020 of IOE
	2	Country strategy and programme evaluation for Mozambique
	3	Country strategy and programme evaluation for Egypt
	4	Evaluation synthesis report on gender equality
	5	Provisional agenda of the Evaluation Committee for 2018
	6	Other business