



**Wednesday 29 November 2017**

**IFAD Headquarters, Italian Conference Room S105  
10.00 – 12.00 (welcome coffee from 09.30 to 10.00)  
Rome, Italy**

This event is held to celebrate the winners of the 2017 IFAD Gender Awards. The Awards, initiated in 2013, spotlight one programme or project per region that has used innovative approaches to address gender inequalities and empower women. Representatives from the winning projects will share insights on their achievements and challenges. This year's Awards celebrate operations in Bangladesh, Colombia, Mauritania, Morocco, Mozambique.

A mini share fair will accompany the event to showcase project activities and distribute relevant materials.

## Agenda

29 November 2017	
09:30 – 10:00	Coffee and refreshments
10:00	Welcome remarks (Cassandra Waldon, Director, Communications Division)
10:05	Awards ceremony <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Bangladesh, the Char Development and Settlement Project (Phase IV)</li> <li>Colombia, the Building Rural Entrepreneurial Capacities: Trust and Opportunity Programme</li> <li>Mauritania, the Poverty Reduction Project in Aftout South and Karakorum (Phase II)</li> <li>Morocco, The Agricultural Value Chain Development Project in the Mountain Zones of the Al-Haouz Province</li> <li>Mozambique, The Rural Markets Promotion Programme</li> </ul>
10:30	Roundtable discussion with staff from the winning projects (Moderator: Ndaya Beltchika, Country Programme Manager, WCA) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Experiences of addressing gender inequalities and empowering women in agricultural and rural development</li> </ul>
11:30	Video: <a href="#">UNiTE for International Day to End Violence Against Women</a>
11:35	Violence against women is a human rights violation: 16 Days campaign against gender-based violence (Maria Hartl, Senior Technical Specialist, Gender and Social Equity)
11:40	Closing remarks
11:45 – 12:30	Share Fair with the Winners

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