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Management response to Member States' comments

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<p>Brazil welcomes the presentation of the country strategic opportunities programme for Mexico for 2026–2031 and thanks Management for the work carried out with the Government. We see this COSOP as a relevant framework for IFAD’s engagement in a country that, despite its upper-middle-income status, continues to face significant rural, territorial and social disparities, particularly in the southern states.</p>	<p>Management appreciates the comments from Brazil.</p>
<p>Brazil sees several positive elements in this COSOP. Its strong alignment with Mexico’s national priorities gives the programme a solid basis of ownership and relevance. We also welcome its coherent focus on productive capacities and market access, resilience, and the social, economic and financial inclusion of women and Indigenous Peoples. Brazil also welcomes the emphasis on innovation, digital solutions, climate action and global public goods. We see merit in the effort to position IFAD not only as a source of financing, but also as a strategic partner that can support coordination, mobilize additional resources and contribute to broader development impact.</p>	<p>Management thanks Brazil for its positive and constructive comments on the country strategic opportunities programme (COSOP). The programme is firmly grounded in Mexico’s national priorities and thus reinforces ownership and relevance. It is deliberately focused on strengthening productive capacities and market access, building resilience, and advancing the social, economic and financial inclusion of women and Indigenous Peoples. The COSOP also places strong emphasis on innovation, digital solutions, climate action and global public goods as cross-cutting enablers of rural transformation. In this framework, IFAD is positioned not only as a source of financing, but as a strategic partner that will support coordination across institutions, mobilize additional public and private resources, and contribute to broader and more sustainable development impact during the 2026–2031 period.</p>
<p>Another positive feature is the COSOP’s emphasis on partnerships. The document explicitly foresees collaboration with public institutions, development banks, civil society, international financial institutions, universities and knowledge centres, as well as private sector actors. In the Mexican context, this broad partnership approach can</p>	<p>Management thanks Brazil for highlighting the COSOP’s strong emphasis on partnerships. The programme deliberately adopts a broad partnership approach to strengthen delivery, coordination and impact, recognizing the importance of leveraging complementary capacities across actors in the Mexican context.</p> <p>As outlined in appendix II, the COSOP envisages collaboration with key public institutions (such as the Ministry of Agriculture, the Ministry of Environment and Natural Resources, the National Forestry Commission, the National Institute of Indigenous Peoples and the Ministry of Finance and Public Credit), development banks and financial</p>

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help strengthen delivery, coordination and impact.	<p>institutions (including the Trust Funds For Rural Development, the Financial Institution for Well-Being and Nacional Financiera), international financial institutions and United Nations agencies, universities and knowledge centres, and civil society and private sector actors engaged in priority value chains.</p> <p>Through these partnerships, the COSOP aims to align investments, deepen policy dialogue, generate and share evidence, and mobilize additional resources, thereby enhancing the effectiveness and sustainability of rural development interventions during the 2026–2031 period.</p>
Brazil sees value in the emphasis on South-South and Triangular Cooperation. Mexico’s dual role as both a provider and a recipient of rural development solutions can further enhance the strategic relevance of the programme through knowledge exchange and practical cooperation.	Management thanks Brazil for its positive comment and for recognizing the value of the COSOP’s emphasis on South-South and Triangular Cooperation (SSTC). The programme explicitly builds on Mexico’s dual role as both a provider and a recipient of rural development solutions, using knowledge exchange and practical cooperation as strategic tools to enhance impact beyond financing. Appendix VII provides detailed information on the proposed themes and implementation pathway for SSTC.
Brazil supports continued efforts to strengthen implementation arrangements, institutional coordination and evidence generation throughout the COSOP period, particularly in areas such as women’s inclusion, Indigenous Peoples, rural financial inclusion and climate resilience, so that the programme’s priorities can translate into sustainable and scalable results.	<p>Management thanks Brazil for its positive comment and for underscoring the importance of implementation arrangements, institutional coordination and evidence generation. The COSOP places these elements at the centre of its approach in order to ensure that strategic priorities translate into concrete and sustainable results.</p> <p>Throughout the COSOP period, IFAD will continue working with key institutions and partners to strengthen coordination, improve implementation effectiveness and generate robust evidence, particularly in priority areas such as inclusion of women and Indigenous Peoples, financial inclusion of rural populations, and climate resilience. This focus will support learning, adaptation and scaling up of successful approaches, contributing to durable development outcomes and broader impact over time.</p>
Overall, Brazil considers that this COSOP provides a solid platform for IFAD’s next phase of engagement in Mexico. It is strategically relevant, aligned with national priorities, and responsive to persistent rural development challenges. We therefore welcome the programme and support its effective implementation.	<p>Management thanks Brazil for its positive assessment and for its support of the COSOP. The programme provides a solid and coherent platform for IFAD’s next phase of engagement in Mexico, grounded in national priorities and focused on addressing persistent rural development challenges.</p> <p>Management welcomes Brazil’s endorsement and will continue working closely with national and international partners to ensure the successful implementation of the programme during the 2026–2031 period.</p>