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Agenda Item 14

HOUSING THE GLOBAL MECHANISM OF THE UNITED NATIONS CONVENTION TO COMBAT DESERTIFICATION IN THOSE COUNTRIES EXPERIENCING SERIOUS DROUGHT AND/OR DESERTIFICATION, PARTICULARLY IN AFRICA

Attached is the revised version of the draft resolution on the Housing of the Global Mechanism of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification, contained in the Attachment to document GC 21/L.10. The only change to that draft resolution is the addition of the third preambular paragraph.
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The Housing of the Global Mechanism of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification

The Governing Council of IFAD,

Noting the decision of the Conference of the Parties (COP) to the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification (CCD), at its First Session, to invite IFAD to house the Global Mechanism of the CCD (Decision 24/COP.1);

Further noting the important role played by IFAD in the first twenty years of its existence in combatting desertification;

Welcoming the collaborative institutional arrangement among IFAD, UNDP and the World Bank to support the effective implementation of the Global Mechanism;

Having considered document GC 21/L.10 on the Housing of the Global Mechanism of the CCD, the recommendations of the Executive Board thereon and the draft resolution contained in the said document;

Decides that:

1. IFAD shall accept the decision of the Conference of the Parties (COP) of the CCD at its First Session to select IFAD to house the Global Mechanism thereof.

2. The Executive Board is authorized to approve the modalities, procedures and administrative arrangements to be contained in a Memorandum of Understanding between the COP and IFAD for the housing of the Global Mechanism by IFAD.

3. The President of IFAD is authorized to sign a Memorandum of Understanding between COP and IFAD, containing such arrangements as the Executive Board may approve for the housing of the Global Mechanism.

4. The President of IFAD is requested to report periodically to the Executive Board on the administrative arrangements for the housing of the said Global Mechanism in IFAD and on such activities as IFAD may undertake in support of the Global Mechanism, while also keeping the Executive Board informed of the activities of the Global Mechanism.