

**Governing Council
Thirtieth Anniversary session
Schedule of work**

Wednesday, 13 February 2008			
Agenda item	10 a.m.–1 p.m.	Agenda item	3 p.m.-6 p.m.
1	Opening of the session		Statement by Ms Josette Sheeran, Executive Director of the World Food Programme
2	Adoption of the agenda		
3	Election of the Bureau of the Governing Council		Message of the Director-General of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, Dr Jacques Diouf, delivered on his behalf by Mr James Butler, Deputy Director-General
4	Application for non-original membership		
	Keynote address from His Excellency John Agyekum Kufuor, President of the Republic of Ghana, delivered on his behalf by His Excellency Alhaji Aliu Mahama, Vice-President of the Republic of Ghana	6	General statements (continued)
	Keynote address by His Excellency Massimo D'Alema, Vice-President of the Council of Ministers and Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Italian Republic	7	Report on the Seventh Replenishment of IFAD's resources
	Keynote address from His Excellency Paul Biya, President of the Republic of Cameroon, delivered on his behalf by His Excellency Jean Nkueté, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Agriculture and Rural Development of the Republic of Cameroon	8	Eighth Replenishment of IFAD's resources
	Keynote address from King Abdullah Bin Abdulaziz Al-Saud, Custodian of The Two Holy Mosques, delivered on his behalf by His Excellency Dr Fahad Bin Abdulrahman Balghunaim, Minister for Agriculture of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia	9	Audited financial statements of IFAD for 2006
	Message of His Excellency Ban Ki-moon, Secretary-General of the United Nations	10	Administrative and capital budgets of IFAD and its Office of Evaluation for 2008
5	Statement of the President of IFAD	11	Special expenditure for IFAD's new headquarters
	Keynote address by Mr Donald Kaberuka, President of the African Development Bank	6	General statements (continued)
	Keynote address by Dr Ngozi Okonjo-Iweala, Managing Director of the World Bank		
6	General statements		

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Agenda item	9:30 a.m.–10.30 a.m.	Agenda item	3 p.m.–6 p.m.
6	General statements (continued)		Synthesis of the deliberations at the second Farmers' Forum held in conjunction with the Thirtieth Anniversary session of the Governing Council Summary of the conclusions of the round-table discussions
	<p style="text-align: center;">10.30 a.m.-1 p.m.</p> Round-table discussions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Climate change and the future of smallholder agriculture: How can the rural poor people be a part of the solution to climate change? • Biofuel expansion: Challenges, risks and opportunities for rural poor people • Growing demand on agriculture and rising prices of commodities: An opportunity for smallholders in low-income, agricultural-based countries? 	6 6 12 13 14 15 16 6	General statements (continued) Progress report on implementation of the performance-based allocation system Report on lessons learned by the International Land Coalition Progress report on the Global Mechanism of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification Emoluments of the President Other business General statements (continued) Closure of the session