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## **Establishment of the Consultation on the Ninth Replenishment of IFAD's Resources**

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**For: Approval**

## **Recommendation for approval**

The Governing Council is invited to consider this report and adopt the draft resolution contained in the attachment.

### **Establishment of the Consultation on the Ninth Replenishment of IFAD's Resources**

1. Resolution 154/XXXII/Rev.1 on the Eighth Replenishment of IFAD's Resources specifies that the period provided for the said Replenishment shall conclude on 31 December 2012 (paragraph I.2(x)).
2. Article 4, section 3, of the Agreement Establishing IFAD provides that, in order to assure continuity in the operations of the Fund, the Governing Council shall periodically review the adequacy of the resources available to the Fund.
3. In order to provide for the timely review of the availability of resources before the expiration of the Eighth Replenishment period, a draft resolution to establish a Consultation on the Ninth Replenishment of IFAD's Resources should be considered by the Executive Board and subsequently submitted to the Governing Council, together with the Board's recommendations thereon, for consideration and adoption.
4. To this end, and in light of:
  - (a) The endorsement by the Board during its September 2010 session<sup>1</sup> of document EB 2010/100/R.8/Rev.1 (Consultation on the Ninth Replenishment of IFAD's Resources: Establishment and selection of chair); and
  - (b) The proposal by List C for expansion of its membership of the Consultation discussed during the December 2010 session of the Board,<sup>2</sup>

a draft resolution as approved by the Board during its December 2010 session is herewith attached for adoption by the Governing Council in February 2011.
5. The Secretariat will prepare the necessary documentation for the consideration of the Consultation, outlining IFAD's past and current operations, the programme and policy focus of the Fund's operations and the future resource requirements of the Fund.
6. Further to the decision by the Board to select an external chair to be recommended to the Governing Council, the process was as follows: (i) Member States submitted nominations on 15 October 2010 through the Secretariat to Convenors and Friends for their review and selection of a short list of three candidates; (ii) Convenors and Friends submitted the short list to the President on 12 November 2010 for him to select, in a transparent manner, the best suited candidate for the role; and (iii) the President will make a recommendation for the nomination of this candidate to the Governing Council at its session in February 2011.
7. The Board wishes to extend participation on the Consultation of the Ninth Replenishment of IFAD's Resources by List C Member States to 18.

<sup>1</sup> EB/100/Rev.1, Minutes of the 100<sup>th</sup> session of the Executive Board, paragraph 27.

<sup>2</sup> EB/100/Rev.1, Minutes of the 100<sup>th</sup> session of the Executive Board, paragraph 29.

## **Draft resolution on the establishment of the Consultation on the Ninth Replenishment of IFAD's Resources**

### **Resolution .../XXXIV**

#### **The Establishment of the Consultation on the Ninth Replenishment of IFAD's Resources**

##### **The Governing Council of IFAD,**

**Recalling** article 4, section 3, of the Agreement Establishing IFAD, which provides that, in order to assure continuity in the operations of the Fund, the Governing Council shall periodically review the adequacy of the resources available to the Fund;

**Further recalling** that the period established by Governing Council resolution 154/XXXII/Rev.1 for the Eighth Replenishment of the Fund's resources will conclude on 31 December 2012;

**Having considered** the statement of the President on the need for a review of the adequacy of the resources available to the Fund;

**Having further considered** the need for the establishment of a Consultation on the Ninth Replenishment of IFAD's Resources;

##### **Decides that:**

1. A Consultation on the Ninth Replenishment of IFAD's Resources ("the Consultation") shall be established, chaired by Mr Johannes F. Linn, to review the adequacy of the Fund's resources and to report to the Governing Council. The tasks of the chair of the Consultation are annexed to this resolution.
2. The first session of the Consultation shall be held on 21 February 2011.
3. The Consultation shall consist of all Member States from Lists A and B and 18 Member States from List C, the latter to be appointed by the members of List C and communicated to the President no later than 20 February 2011. The Consultation may subsequently invite such other Member States to participate in the Consultation as may facilitate its deliberations.
4. The Consultation shall submit a report on the results of its deliberations and any recommendations thereon to the thirty-fifth session and, if required, subsequent sessions of the Governing Council, with a view to adopting such resolutions as may be appropriate.
5. The President is requested to keep the Executive Board informed of the progress of the deliberations of the Consultation.
6. The President and the staff are requested to provide such assistance to the Consultation as may be necessary for the effective and efficient discharge of its functions.

## **Tasks of the chair of the Consultation**

Under the authority of the Consultation on the Ninth Replenishment of IFAD's Resources, the chair will:

- (a) Chair formal consultation meetings;
- (b) With the support of the Secretariat, synthesize discussions and prepare the chair's summary of each meeting, concisely and accurately reflecting the status of negotiations;
- (c) Ensure that the final report and recommendations of the Consultation respond to the terms of reference of the Consultation – as set forth in the present resolution – and conform to the Agreement Establishing IFAD and other basic documents adopted by the Governing Council;
- (d) Oversee all aspects of the Consultation meetings, discussions and deliberations, including providing guidance and support to the Secretariat of the Governing Council;
- (e) Critically review and comment on draft documentation and reports prepared for each consultation, ensuring good quality control and strategic coherence;
- (f) Lead and facilitate discussions and negotiations among the membership, as well as between the IFAD's leadership and the membership, to build consensus to achieve successful outcomes for the review of the adequacy of the resources of the Fund; and
- (g) Work with the President and staff on the preparations for meetings or negotiations to ensure issues are presented effectively.