

Governing Council 2016

Tentative schedule of events

as of 12 February 2016

Tuesday, 16 February 2016 - Governing Council programme of seminars

11.00 – 12.30	Briefing by China on the G20 Presidency (Plenary Hall)
	Lunch break
14.00 – 15.30	Outcomes of COP21 and the Road to COP22: How do we build on the momentum for incorporating sustainable agriculture and food security objectives into the climate change agenda? Briefing by France, Morocco and Peru on the United Nations Climate Change Conference (Plenary Hall)

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16.00 – 18.00	Sixth global meeting of the Farmers' Forum – afternoon session (open to Governors and Executive Board representatives) (Italian Conference Room)
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Inclusive investment – Rural people, state and business in the post-2015 agenda

Day 1 of the Governing Council

Wednesday, 17 February 2016

9.30	Opening of the session
9.30 – 9.40	Adoption of the agenda
9.40 – 9.45	Remarks by the outgoing Chairperson
9.45 – 9.55	Election of the Governing Council Bureau
9.55 – 10.15	Remarks by the incoming Chairperson
10.15 – 10.20	Welcoming statement by the President of IFAD, Kanayo F. Nwanze, on the occasion of the visit of His Excellency Sergio Mattarella, President of the Italian Republic
10.20 – 10.30	Keynote speaker – His Excellency Sergio Mattarella, President of the Italian Republic
10.30 – 10.50	Statement by Kanayo F. Nwanze, President of IFAD *** End of inaugural ceremony ***
10.50 – 12.10	Implementing the sustainable development goals: Galvanizing private-sector action Moderator: Babita Sharma Panellists: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Sunny Verghese, Co-Founder & Group Chief Executive Officer, Olam International, Singapore• Jussara Dantas de Souza, Commercial Manager of Family Agribusiness Cooperative of Canudos, Uauá and Curaçá, Brazil• Beatrice Nkatha, Founder and Managing Director, Sorghum Pioneer Agencies, Kenya• Victor Rosca, Director, IFAD Consolidated Programme Implementation Unit, Republic of Moldova
12.10 – 13.00	Business items for approval and for information (agenda items 6, 7 and 8)
13.00 – 13.30	General statements
13.30 – 15.00	Lunch in honour of special guests and heads of delegations
15.00 – 18.00	Governors' Round Table: Leveraging financing for smallholder agriculture – What is needed to achieve Sustainable Development Goal 2? Moderator: Zeinab Badawi (Italian Conference Room)
18.00 – 18.30	Business items for approval and for information (agenda items 9 and 10)
18.30 – 19.30	General statements
19.30 – 21.00	A taste of inclusion – local ingredients with global flavours Reception for all delegates in association with the World Association of Chefs' Societies [Worldchefs]

Day 2 of the Governing Council

Thursday, 18 February 2016

8.30 – 9.30	Networking breakfast
9.30 – 10.00	General statements
10.00 – 11.15	IFAD lecture series: Private sector, good governance and rural development Dr Mohamed Ibrahim, Founder and Chair, Mo Ibrahim Foundation Moderator: Babita Sharma
11.15 – 11.45	Business items for approval and for information (agenda items 11 and 12)
11.45 – 11.55	The agriculture of tomorrow: A conversation with Dr Ismahane Elouafi, Director General, International Center for Biosaline Agriculture (ICBA)
11.55 – 13.00	Innovative investments for rural transformation Moderator: Périn Saint-Ange, Associate Vice-President, Programme Management Department (IFAD) Panellists: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Glayson Ferrari Dos Santos, Country Programme Manager for El Salvador, Latin America and the Caribbean Division (IFAD)• Ronald Hartman, Country Director - Indonesia, Asia and the Pacific Division (IFAD)• Jacopo Monzini, Environment and Climate Change Senior Technical Specialist, Near East, North Africa and Europe Division (IFAD)• Elizabeth Ssendiwala, Gender and Youth Technical Specialist, East and Southern Africa Division (IFAD)
13.00 – 13.15	Report back from the Governors' Round Table
13.15 – 13.30	President's concluding remarks
13.30	Closure of the session

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14.30 – 16.00	Innovative value chain approaches that work for smallholder farmers in Ghana (Italian Conference Room)
16.00 – 17.30	Linking research to development for impact: Highlights from the Near East, North Africa and Europe region (Italian Conference Room)