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Governing Council — Forty-first Session
Rome, 13-14 February 2018
Agenda

1. Opening of the session
2. Adoption of the agenda
3. Election of the Bureau of the Governing Council
4. Statement of the President of IFAD
5. Report on the Tenth Replenishment of IFAD’s Resources
6. Eleventh Replenishment of IFAD’s Resources
7. Consolidated financial statements of IFAD for 2016
8. IFAD’s 2018 results-based programme of work and regular and capital budgets, the Independent Office of Evaluation of IFAD’s results-based work programme and budget for 2018 and indicative plan for 2019-2020, and the HIPC and PBAS progress reports
9. Review of the adequacy of the level of the General Reserve
10. Amendments to the Policies and Criteria for IFAD Financing
11. Amendment to the Agreement Establishing IFAD
12. Proposal for the revision of the established good practice for the process leading to future appointments of the President of IFAD
13. Election of members and alternate members of the Executive Board
14. Other business
Governing Council 2018
Schedule of events

Day 1 of the Governing Council

Tuesday, 13 February 2018

9.30 Opening of the session of the forty-first Governing Council
Adoption of the agenda
Election of the Governing Council Bureau

10.00 Inaugural ceremony
Welcoming statement by Mr Gilbert F. Houngbo, President of IFAD
H.E. António Guterres
Secretary-General of the United Nations (video message)
H.E. Sheikh Hasina
Prime Minister of the People's Republic of Bangladesh
H.E. José Berley Arista Arbildo
Minister for Agriculture and Irrigation of the Republic of Peru on behalf of
H.E. Pedro Pablo Kuczynski Godard, President of the Republic of Peru

Statement by Mr Gilbert F. Houngbo, President of IFAD

11.30 Business items for approval and information

13.00 Lunch in honour of special guests and to welcome heads of Member State delegations (by invitation)

15.00 IFAD Lecture: We need to talk about state fragility
Introduction by Ms Cornelia Richter, Vice-President of IFAD

Mr J.J. Messner
Executive Director, The Fund for Peace

Moderator: Mr Paul Winters, Associate Vice-President, ad interim, Strategy and Knowledge Department, IFAD
16.00 Interactive Session 1 – From fragility to long-term resilience

- Mr Helder da Costa
  General Secretary of the g7+ Secretariat

- H.E. Said Hussein Iid
  Minister for Agriculture and Irrigation of the Federal Republic of Somalia

- Ms Majida Mcheik
  Chief, Programme Department, Ministry of Agriculture of the Lebanese Republic

- Mr Kaushik Barua
  Acting Country Programme Manager for Somalia, Near East, North Africa and Europe Division, IFAD

- Mr Tarek Kotb
  Country Programme Manager for Lebanon, Near East, North Africa and Europe Division, IFAD

Moderator: Mr Périn Saint-Ange, Associate Vice-President, Programme Management Department, IFAD

17.45 Business items for approval and information

18.30 Reception for all delegates in collaboration with the World Association of Chefs’ Societies (Worldchefs)

Day 2 of the Governing Council

Wednesday, 14 February 2018

8.30 Networking breakfast

9.30 A perspective on fragility

Introduction by Mr Gilbert F. Houngbo, President of IFAD

H.E. Dr Olusegun Obasanjo GCFR, former President of the Federal Republic of Nigeria

Moderator: Appointed Associate Vice-President, External Relations and Governance Department, IFAD

10.15 Business items for approval and information

11:30 Interactive Session 2 – Multilateralism: Opportunities and challenges

- Dr Ibrahim Assane Mayaki
  Chief Executive Officer of the New Partnership for Africa's Development (NEPAD) Agency

- H.E. Martha Elena Federica Bárzaca Coqui
  Ambassador and Permanent Representative to Rome-based United Nations Organizations of the United Mexican States
• Mr David Nabarro  
  Director, Skills Systems and Synergies for Sustainable Development (4SD)

• Mr Alvaro Lario  
  Associate Vice-President, Chief Financial Officer and Chief Controller, Financial Operations Department, IFAD

Moderator: Mr Johannes F. Linn, Non-resident Senior Fellow in the Global Economy and Development Program, Brookings Institution; Distinguished Resident Scholar, Emerging Markets Forum; Senior Advisor, Results for Development Institute and Chairperson of the Consultation on the Ninth, Tenth and Eleventh Replenishments of IFAD’s Resources

13.00 Buffet lunch for all participants

14.30 Business items for approval and information

15:30 Interactive Session 3 – Investing in rural youth

  • Mr. Victor Roşca  
    Director of IFAD’s Consolidated Programme Implementation Unit in Republic of Moldova (CPIU-IFAD), Ministry of Agriculture, Regional Development and Environment

  • Mr Dominik Ziller  
    Director-General, International Development Policy, Federal Ministry of Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ) of the Federal Republic of Germany

  • Ms Rita Kimani  
    Chief Executive Officer, FarmDrive, Republic of Kenya

  • Mr Sebastián Pedraza  
    Member, National Rural Youth Network, Republic of Colombia

  • Ms Mai Thin Yu Mon  
    Representative, Global Indigenous Youth Caucus

Moderator: Mr Paul Winters, Associate Vice-President, ad interim, Strategy and Knowledge Department, IFAD

17.00 Other business

17.15 Concluding remarks by the President of IFAD and Chairperson

18.00 Closure of the session