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# Forty-third Session of the Governing Council Organizational Aspects

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Governing Council — Forty-third Session Rome, 11-12 February 2020

For: **Information** 

# Forty-third Session of the Governing Council

# **Organizational Aspects**

# General information for delegates

- **Dates:** Tuesday, 11 and Wednesday, 12 February 2020.
- **Location:** the headquarters of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO), Viale delle Terme di Caracalla, Rome.
- For more information see www.fao.org/about/meetings/information/fao-hq/en.
- **Lunch:** a buffet luncheon open to all delegates will be held in the Atrium on each day.
- **Reception:** a reception for all participants will be held in the Atrium at the close of the first day.

# II. Organization of the sessions

#### Meetings and hours

- Plenary meetings will be held in the Plenary Hall (third floor).
- Opportunities for interactive dialogue will be provided throughout the two-day session.

#### **Tuesday 11 February**

- The opening and inaugural session will start at 9.30 a.m.
- Delegates are kindly requested to take their seats in the Plenary Hall before the session begins.

#### Wednesday 12 February

- Meetings will start at 9.30 a.m.
- Please check the Governing Council programme closer to the date for more details.

#### **Interactive sessions**

- There will be two interactive sessions, as follows:
  - (i) Rural development as a means of addressing conflict, promoting peace and building smalholders' resilience to climate shocks; and
  - (ii) Disability, food security and rural development: How can innovation and technology help?

#### **Special event**

• **Wednesday, 12 February:** Creating jobs for rural youth: Opportunities in agribusiness.

#### Meeting rooms for delegations

Meeting rooms will be provided for List meetings and other events related to
the Governing Council. Meeting rooms can be booked by sending a request to
the Office of the Secretary (conferencestaff@ifad.org) indicating the date,
preferred time, name of delegation and number of attendees. The booking
will be confirmed by e-mail before the meeting.

#### Schedule of work and summary records

• The schedule of work will be available on the first day of the session. Provisional summary records will be issued as soon as possible after the session.

#### **Distribution of documents/PaperSmart**

- Documents for the session will be posted as they become available on the Member States Interactive Platform <a href="https://webapps.ifad.org/members/gc/43">https://webapps.ifad.org/members/gc/43</a> and on the IFAD website <a href="https://webapps.ifad.org/members/gc/43">www.ifad.org/en/governing-council</a> in the official languages of the Fund. Please check both regularly for new information.
- Documents finalized and posted after the last working day of the week prior to the Governing Council session will be tabled and made available in limited quantities at the documents desk (Korean Lounge first floor).

#### **Simultaneous interpretation**

- Provided in Arabic, English, French and Spanish.
- Note: speakers are requested to please speak at a reasonable pace to enable the interpreters to convey their ideas accurately and clearly.

# III. Access to FAO premises and registration for the Governing Council

#### Access to FAO premises and security measures

- **Pedestrian entrance:** Enter FAO by the main entrance on Viale Aventino.
- **Accessibility:** FAO headquarters is fully wheelchair accessible. Restroom facilities for visitors with disabilities are available on each floor. For any further assistance, delegates are invited to write to conferencestaff@ifad.org.
- **Vehicle entrance:** Due to limited parking space, only vehicles accompanying Heads of State, Heads of Government or Ministers will be granted access to the car park. Access the FAO site through Ramp 1 and the Main Entrance of Building A.
- **Security:** Strict security measures will be in place at the entrance and inside the building. Metal detectors and x-ray machines for baggage scanning will be in operation at all entrances to FAO.
- To facilitate smooth entry, please avoid carrying large bags and metallic objects. Participants with implanted electronic devices such as pacemakers should notify the security guards of their condition and should not go through the metal detectors.
- Only pre-registered participants will be admitted to the building (see the "registration procedures" section for details). Participants should then proceed to the registration desk located in the Security Screening Pavilion to collect their meeting badges.
- Access to certain areas of the building will be restricted. Delegates
  with specific security requirements should contact the Chief, Security Service
  (FAO), at security-services@fao.org, and specify "IFAD Governing Council" in
  the subject line.
- **Meeting badges must be displayed at all times**. Delegates should not lend their meeting badges to other participants.
- Delegations are invited to contact the Chief, Security Services (FAO) in advance (e-mail: security-services@fao.org) to agree on access for official vehicles and close protection officers accompanying Heads of Delegation and dignitaries to the Governing Council.

#### Nomination of delegations

- Credentials and notifications of the names of advisers shall be submitted to the President at least two weeks before the opening of the Governing Council session. Unless otherwise specified, such credentials and notifications shall be considered valid for subsequent sessions until withdrawn by a notification to the President.
- It would be greatly appreciated if this information could be provided to the Secretary of IFAD by e-mail to <a href="mailto:mr@ifad.org">mr@ifad.org</a> not later than 31 January 2020.
- For planning purposes, observers are also requested to confirm their participation or non-participation prior to 31 January 2020 by e-mail to mr@ifad.org.

#### Registration

- Delegates should register and pick up their Governing Council meeting badges immediately upon arrival at FAO at the registration desk located in the Security Scanning Pavilion.
- To speed up registration, delegates are encouraged to provide their names and photographs in advance. Photographs will be taken on site if necessary.
- Registration will take place on:

Monday, **10** February: 10.00-17.00 Tuesday, **11** February: 08.00-18.30

**Wednesday, 12 February**: 08.00-closure of the session.

• **Journalists** are requested to send an e-mail to IFADnewsroom@ifad.org, to obtain an accreditation form.

### IV. Statements by delegates

- Under the new procedures introduced in 2018, general statements are no longer included in the agenda of the session. The Governor, head of delegation or other representatives of a Member State may opt to submit a video recording of their statement or have it posted on the IFAD website. A link to the general statement page on the IFAD website will be provided in the Governing Council Report.
- To submit a written or video-recorded statement please notify the Secretary of IFAD, via the Country Statements Desk (countrystatements@ifad.org) by Friday, 7 February 2020. IFAD cannot guarantee that requests received after the start of the session will be accommodated.
- Further information on the specifications and submission procedures is provided in document GC 43/INF.2 Procedures for Statements by Governors.

# V. Entry into Italy

- Travel documents United Nations laissez-passer or national passport should be valid for at least six months after their expected date of departure from Italy.
- **National passport holders:** Delegates who require an entry visa should contact the Italian representation in their country of residence at least four weeks before they intend to travel to Italy. Should difficulties arise, delegates are advised to inform the IFAD Travel and Visa Section by completing and forwarding attachment I. The information provided will be used as the basis for a note verbale that IFAD will send to the relevant Italian embassy in support of the delegate's visa application.
- Delegates coming from countries that have no Italian consulate may be able to obtain a visa either from the representation of a Schengen country that

- has been authorized to represent Italy or from the Italian embassy/consulate nearest to the country of departure.
- **United Nations laissez-passer holders**: Holders of a United Nations laissez-passer, irrespective of their nationality, do not require a visa when visiting Italy on official mission and for a stay of less than 90 days. The invitation letter to the Governing Council provides sufficient reason for travel. Use the "Staff Only/Lasciapassare" line at passport control.

# VI. Guidelines to Prevent Harassment, Sexual Harassment and Discrimination at IFAD Events

In line with its zero tolerance policy on sexual harassment, sexual exploitation and abuse, IFAD has issued a set of Guidelines to Prevent Harassment, Sexual Harassment and Discrimination at IFAD Events. With the release of these guidelines, IFAD joins the broader United Nations efforts to clarify the standard of conduct expected from participants and provide information on reporting mechanisms. The guidelines are available here:

(https://www.ifad.org/documents/38711624/41372004/guidelines\_conduct\_e vents.pdf/ef9100f1-21f2-832b-1756-0d7678c4f81f).

# VII. Travel arrangements

#### **Hotel bookings**

• Delegates are responsible for making their own hotel bookings. A list of hotels that offer corporate rates to IFAD is provided in attachment II.

#### **Travel arrangements**

- Assistance with travel arrangements may be obtained from the IFAD travel agent, Carlson Wagonlit Travel (CWT), located on the ground floor of Building D (Room D074). The Agency is open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
- CWT can also assist delegations with flight bookings, transfers and tour reservations and can change or modify tickets and flight reservations made through their office.
- Tickets booked elsewhere must be changed by the original travel agent, or directly with the airline/service provider concerned. CWT will assist travellers in contacting airlines to amend tickets issued by other agencies during working hours.
- The IFAD Secretariat is not in a position to make travel arrangements for Council participants.

# VIII. Arriving at FAO headquarters

- By air:
  - **Leonardo da Vinci (Fiumicino) Airport** is approximately a 35-minute drive to FAO headquarters. Trains from the airport arrive at Termini Station from where participants can take the B Line metro to FAO headquarters at Circo Massimo station. Also regional trains are available stopping at Stazione Ostiense where metro B is also available, stop at Circo Massimo station. **Ciampino Airport** is a 25-minute drive to FAO headquarters and is connected to Termini Station by shuttle buses.
- Public transport: Metro station Circo Massimo (on the blue B Line) is by FAO headquarters. FAO can also be reached by bus and tram. Tickets for public transport must be purchased in advance of boarding.
- **Taxi:** Use licensed taxis with meters (white cars bearing the "TAXI" sign on the roof). Taxis can be requested from the Main Reception (Ground floor,

Building A). Participants can also call Radio Taxi Services: Tel.: +39 06 3570 / 06 4994.

• For more information on transportation see: www.fao.org/about/meetings/information/travel/en.

#### IX. Medical services

• The IFAD Medical Adviser and Nurse will be on the premises during the session and first aid facilities will be available. In the event of a medical emergency, the IFAD medical team will make the necessary response arrangements.

#### X. Other facilities

#### **Banking**

• Branches of Banca Intesa (ground floor, Building B) and Banca Popolare di Sondrio (ground floor, Building D) and cash dispensers are located within FAO headquarters. Opening hours: 8.40-16.30.

#### Postal service

• Poste Italiane: ground floor, Building B, 8.30-15.00.

#### **Internet facilities**

• Wi-Fi coverage is available and password is wifi2internet.

#### Cloakroom

• By main entrance of Building A (opposite the Turkish Lounge).

#### **Meditation room**

• Available in Building A, second floor, room A-250.

#### Catering facilities at FAO headquarters

#### **Ground floor**

- Building A Polish Bar: from 7.30 until end of the daily session (cash only)
- Building D Bar D: from 7.30-17.30

#### 8<sup>th</sup> floor - Terrace

- Building C Restaurant: from 12.00-14.30 (reservation recommended: tel.: 06 570 56823)
- Building C Open Buffet: from 12:00-14:30
- Building C Blue Bar: from 8:30-17:00
- Building B Bar B: from 8:30-17:00 (cash only)

There are also restaurants and cafés located close to FAO on Viale Aventino.

## XI. Practicalities

- Delegates can contribute to the greening of the meeting by downloading documents to their personal electronic devices and by choosing double-sided printing if hard copies are needed. Recycling bins will be provided for document disposal.
- It is essential that meetings start on time and that the schedule be respected. Please be punctual.
- Delegates are kindly reminded to turn off mobile telephones before entering meeting rooms.

# Request for IFAD declaration for entry to Italy

Kindly complete this form if you need to submit a visa request.

The form should be sent **not later than 30 days before your departure date** to the IFAD Travel and Visa Section at visa-lp@ifad.org.

Country of departure of the delegate:
Period of stay in Rome:
Ms/Mr:
Name:
Surname:
Nationality:
Date of birth:
Passport no.:
Country of issue:
Date of issue:
Date of expiry:
E-mail:
Fax:
Flight details:

# Hotels in Rome - Special rates for IFAD 2019-20201

Rates shown below are special United Nations rates provided for hotels in Rome. Rates may vary according to low/high season. The agreement is with IFAD and is extended to other United Nations agencies. Bookings and payments must be made directly with the hotel.

Please note that daily city tax will be applied.

#### **AVENTINO - (FAO VICINITY)**

Euro

**HOTEL VILLA SAN PIO** 

Via di Santa Melania, 19 Double for single use: 95.00

00153 Rome

Tel: +39 06 570 057

E-mail: info@aventinohotels.com Website: www.aventinohotels.com

**HOTEL AVENTINO** 

Via di San Domenico, 10 Double for single use: 90.00

00153 Rome

Tel: +39 06 570 057

E-mail: info@aventinohotels.com Website: www.aventinohotels.com

**HOTEL SANTA PRISCA** 

Largo Manlio Gelsomini, 25 Single: 80.00 00153 Rome Double for single use: 85.00

Tel: +39 06 574 1917

E-mail: hsprisca@hotelsantaprisca.it

Website: wwww.hotelsantaprisca.it

**HOTEL DOMUS AVENTINA** 

Via di Santa Prisca, 11/B Single standard: 90.00 00153 Rome Double for single use: 102.00

Tel: +39 06 5746 135

Website: www.hoteldomusaventina.it

**SAN ANSELMO HOTEL** 

Piazza Sant'Anselmo, 2 Double for single use: 130.00

00153 Rome Tel: +39 06 570057

E-mail: info@aventinohotels.com Website: www.aventinohotels.com

**CIRCO MASSIMO EXCLUSIVE SUITE** 

Via dei Cerchi 87 Single: 95.00

00186 Rome

Tel: +39 06 93575484

E-mail: reservation@circomassimoexclusive.com Website: www.circomassimoexclusivesuite.com

#### **CENTRAL AREA ROME**

**HOTEL LANCELOT** 

Via Capo d'Africa, 47Single:110.0000184 RomeDouble for single use:120.00

Tel: +39 06 7045 0615 E-mail: info@lancelothotel.com Website: www.lancelothotel.com

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Rates may slightly vary for 2020.

CENTRAL AREA ROME (cont'd)		
BETTOJA HOTEL ATLANTICO		Euro
Via Cavour, 23 00184 Rome	Single: Double for single use:	113.00 129.00
Tel: +39 06 485 951	bouble for single user	123.00
E-mail: atlantico@bettojahotels.it Website: www.romehotelatlantico.it		
BETTOJA HOTEL MASSIMO D'AZEGLIO	Single:	115.00
Via Cavour, 18 00184 Rome	Double for single use:	122.00
Tel: +39 06 487 0270 E-mail: dazeglio@bettojahotels.it		
Website: www.romehoteldazeglio.it		
BETTOJA HOTEL MEDITERRANEO	Single	117.00
Via Cavour, 15 00184 Rome	Double for single use:	123.00
Tel: +39 06 488 4051	_	
E-mail: mediterraneo@bettojahotels.it Website: www.romehotelmediterraneo.it		
HOTEL ANTICO PALAZZO ROSPIGLIOSI Via Liberiana, 21	Double for single use:	99.00
00185 Rome	Double for single use.	99.00
Tel: +39 06 4893 0495		
E-mail: info@hotelrospigliosi.com Website: www.hotelrospigliosi.com		
<b>HOTEL PALAZZO AL VELABRO</b> Via del Velabro, 16	Double for single use:	125.00
00186 Rome	Double for single user	123.00
Tel: +39 06 679 2758 E-mail: velabro@velabro.it		
Website: www.velabro.it		
HOTEL NORD NUOVA ROMA Via Giovanni Amendola, 3	Single:	71.00
00185 Rome	Double for single use	04.00
Telephone: +39 06 4885441 E-mail: info@hotelnordnuovaroma.it		91.00
Website: www.hotelnordnuovaroma.it		
MERCURE CENTRO COLOSSEO Via Labicana, 144	Single:	117.00
00184 Rome	Single superior:	130.00
Tel: +39 06 50834111 E-mail: H2909@accor.com		
Website: www.mercure.com		
HOTEL FORTYSEVEN Via Luigi Petroselli 47	Double for single use:	160.00
00186 Rome	Boable for single ase.	100.00
Tel: +39 06 6787816 E-mail: reservations@fortysevenhotel.com		
Website: www.fortysevenhotel.com		
KOLBE HOTEL ROME Via di San Teodoro 48	Double for single use:	135.00
00186 Rome	sgic doci	222.00
Tel: +39 06 6798866 E-mail: info@kolbehotelrome.com		
Website: www.kolbehotelrome.com		

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**CENTRAL AREA ROME (cont'd)** 

Euro
RESIDENZA DI RIPETTA

Via di Ripetta 213 Double for single use: 140.00

00186 Rome

Tel: +39 (06) 3231144

E-mail: reservations@residenzadiripetta.com

Website: www.residenzadiripetta.com

**RIPA HOTEL** 

Via degli Orti di Trastevere, 3 Double for single use: 110.00

00153 Rome

Tel: + 39 (06) 58611

E-mail: reservations@hotelriparoma.com

Website: www.hotelriparoma.com

**EUR - (IFAD & WFP VICINITY)** 

**HOTEL TRE FONTANE** 

Via del Serafico, 51Single:100.0000142 RomeDouble for single use:120.00

Tel: +39 06 5195 6556 / 5196 3538 E-mail: info@hoteltrefontane.it Website: www.hoteltrefontane.it

**CASA SAN BERNARDO** 

Via Laurentina, 289 Double for single use: 70.00

00142 Rome

Tel: +39 06 540 7651

E-mail: info@casasanbernardo.it Website: www.casasanbernardo.it

**SHERATON ROMA HOTEL & CONFERENCE CENTER** 

Viale del Pattinaggio, 100 Double for single use: 110.00

00144 Rome

Tel: +39 06 5453 7000/ 800 780 525 E-mail: sales.sheratonrome@sheraton.com

Website: www.sheraton.com/roma

**HOTEL PULITZER ROMA** 

Viale Guglielmo Marconi, 905 Double for single use: 120.00

00146 Rome

Tel: +39 06 598 591

E-mail: bookings@hotelpulitzer.it Website: www.hotelpulitzer.it

**HOTEL ANTICA LOCANDA PALMIERI** 

Via di Grotta Perfetta, 555/A Double for single use: 60.00

00142 Rome

Tel.: +39 06 5153 30428

E-mail: info@anticalocandapalmieri.it Website: www.anticalocandapalmieri.com

**IBIS STYLES ROMA EUR HOTEL** 

Viale Egeo, 133 Double for single use: 108.00

00144 Rome

Tel: +39 06 9444 2000 E-mail: H9301@accor.com

Website: www.ibisstylesromaeur.it/en

#### EUR - (IFAD & WFP VICINITY) cont'd

**OCCIDENTAL ARAN PARK** 

Via Riccardo Forster 24 Double for single use

00143 Rome Superior: 80.00

Tel: + 39 06 510721

E-mail: aranpark@occidentalhotels.com Website: https://www.barcelo.com

**AMERICAN PALACE** 

Via Laurentina 554 Double for single use: 85.00

00143 Rome

Tel: +39 06 5913552

E-mail: info@americanpalace.it Website: www.americanpalace.it

#### **OTHER AREAS**

**BARCELO ARAN MANTEGNA** 

Via Andrea Mantegna, 130 Double for single use

00147 Rome Superior: 100.00

Tel: +39 06 989521

E-mail: aranmantegna@barcelo.com

Website: https://www.barcelo.com/en-gb/barcelo-hotels/hotels/italy/rome/barcelo-aran-mantegna/

**HOTEL MERCURE EUR ROME WEST** 

Viale Eroi di Cefalonia, 301 Double for single use: 84.00

00128 Rome

Tel: +39 06 5083 4111

E-mail: info@mercureromawest.com

Website: www.mercure.com/gb/hotel-8516-mercure-rome-

west

**HOTEL H10 ROME CITTA - UI** 

Via Amedeo Avogadro, 35 (Ex Via Pietro Blaserna, 101) Double for single use: 100.00

00146 Rome

Tel: +39 06 556 5215

E-mail: h10.roma.citta@h10hotels.com

Website: www.hotelh10romacitta.com/it/index.html