
Establishment of the Consultation on the Fourteenth Replenishment of IFAD's Resources

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

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1. Paragraph 1 of resolution 235/XLVII on the Thirteenth Replenishment of IFAD's Resources (IFAD13) specifies that the period provided for the said Replenishment is the three-year period commencing 1 January 2025.
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 IFAD13 period, the attached draft resolution to establish a Consultation on the Fourteenth Replenishment of IFAD's Resources (IFAD14) was considered by the Executive Board at its 145th session in September 2025; the Board recommended that the draft resolution be submitted to the Governing Council for consideration and adoption.
4. Based on the favourable experiences with an external chair during the Consultations on the Ninth, Tenth, Eleventh, Twelfth and Thirteenth Replenishments, the Governing Council decided that the chairperson for the IFAD14 Consultation would be selected through an open process to be completed prior to the first session of the IFAD14 Consultation, in collaboration with the Executive Board. Subsequently, the Executive Board approved the process whereby the Board would select the external chair to be recommended to the Governing Council.
5. In accordance with this approved process, on the recommendation of the IFAD President, Ms Åslaug Marie Haga was selected to be the External Chair for the IFAD14 Consultation.
6. The IFAD14 Consultation will be launched on 12 February 2026, following an IFAD14 Governors' Roundtable at the forty-ninth session of the Governing Council. During this discussion, members of the Consultation will agree on the agenda and issues to be considered at each subsequent session. Management is also exploring the possibility of organizing some subsequent sessions away from IFAD headquarters, to be hosted by IFAD Member States. The final location for each session will be subject to approval by the Consultation.
7. With regard to the composition of the IFAD14 Consultation, the Executive Board, following informal discussions between Management and Convenors, agreed to maintain the composition that was adopted for the IFAD13 Consultation by resolution 230/XLVI, i.e. 25 Member States from List A, 10 Member States from List B and 22 Member States from List C. The Consultation may also invite other Member States and/or representatives of other organizations or groups to participate in the Consultation as appropriate to facilitate its deliberations. Member States not designated as one of the 57 members of the Consultation may attend the sessions of the Consultation virtually as silent observers.

Draft resolution on the Establishment of the Consultation on the Fourteenth Replenishment of IFAD's Resources

Resolution .../

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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 235/XLVII for the Thirteenth Replenishment of the Fund's resources will conclude on 31 December 2027;

Having considered the statement of the President on the need for a review of the adequacy of the resources available to the Fund and document GC [...] thereon;

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

Decides that:

1. A Consultation on the Fourteenth Replenishment of IFAD's Resources (the IFAD14 Consultation) shall be established to review the adequacy of the Fund's resources and to report to the Governing Council. Based on the favourable experiences with an external chair during the Consultations on the Ninth, Tenth, Eleventh, Twelfth and Thirteenth Replenishments, the Governing Council approves the appointment of an external chair for the IFAD14 Consultation and selects Ms Åslaug Marie Haga as External Chair of the Consultation. The tasks of the External Chair of the Consultation are annexed to this resolution.
2. An initial convening to launch the IFAD14 Consultation shall be held on Thursday, 12 February 2026.
3. The Consultation shall consist of 25 Member States from List A, 10 Member States from List B and 22 Member States from List C. The countries participating from each List should be determined by the members of that List and communicated to the President no later than 11 February 2026. The Consultation may also invite other Member States and/or representatives of other organizations or groups to participate in the Consultation as appropriate to facilitate the deliberations. Member States not designated as one of the 57 members of the Consultation shall be authorized to attend the sessions of the Consultation as silent observers.
4. The Consultation shall submit a report on the results of its deliberations and any recommendations thereon to the fiftieth 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.

Role and tasks of the External Chair of the Consultation

The External Chair will enjoy the status of an expert serving on committees of or performing missions for IFAD pursuant to the Convention on the Privileges and Immunities of the Specialized Agencies, annex XVI. This will ensure that the Chair shall be granted a certain degree of Privileges and Immunities in the performance of their duties.

Under the authority of the IFAD14 Consultation, the External Chair would:

- (i) Chair formal Consultation sessions;
- (ii) Facilitate the Consultation meetings, discussions and deliberations, with the support of the Secretariat;
- (iii) Review draft documentation and reports prepared for each Consultation session;
- (iv) 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;
- (v) Lead and facilitate discussions and negotiations among the Membership, as well as between IFAD's leadership and the Membership, to build consensus in order to achieve successful outcomes for the review of the adequacy of the resources of the Fund;
- (vi) Mobilize external support for IFAD, including at the political level within Member States, in collaboration with the respective delegates and IFAD Management.