# Information Note on Procedures and Modalities for the Appointment of the President of IFAD

# I. Background

- 1. Under article 6.8(a) of the Agreement Establishing IFAD, the President of the Fund "shall be appointed for a term of four years and shall be eligible for reappointment for only one further term." The current President of IFAD, Mr Gilbert F. Houngbo, was reappointed for a second term at the forty-fourth session of the Governing Council on 17 February 2021, and will depart to take up the role of Director-General of the International Labour Organization on 1 October 2022.
- 2. In accordance with section 6.2 of the By-laws for the Conduct of the Business of IFAD (the By-laws), when the office of President becomes vacant or a vacancy is due to occur, the Executive Board shall request that the Governing Council be convened in special session for the purpose of appointing the President. Pursuant to Governing Council resolution 227/XLV, the Governing Council will consider the appointment of the President of IFAD at its first special session, to be held on Thursday, 7 July.

## II. Nomination procedures

- 3. In accordance with IFAD's basic legal texts and in line with established good practice for the process leading to the appointment of the President of IFAD, as codified in document <u>GC 41/L.9</u> and endorsed by the Governing Council in 2018 through resolution 202/XLI, the following timeline which has been approved by the Governing Council Bureau sets out the activities relative to the nomination procedures to be followed prior to consideration of the appointment of the President of IFAD at the first special session of the Governing Council in July:
  - (a) **Call for nominations.** The Secretary of IFAD will send a call for nominations to all Member States on 30 March. The call for nominations is accompanied by a list of questions prepared by the List Convenors in consultation with the Governing Council Bureau which candidates for the IFAD Presidency are invited to answer in writing. The call also makes reference to the following established broad criteria for candidates running for presidency, as well as providing the guidelines for the campaign (herewith attached as annex I), developed for all candidates and endorsed by the Governing Council in document <u>GC 41/L.9</u> in order to promote an open, fair, equitable and transparent electoral process among candidates who are running for the office of President of IFAD.

#### CRITERIA FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF THE PRESIDENT OF IFAD

- Strategic leadership skills based on knowledge and experience on development issues;
- Strong demonstrated commitment to all the objectives of the Fund;
- Communication and advocacy skills to influence decision makers at the highest level, including ministers and heads of other development agencies;
- Ability to build and maintain a cohesive and effective top management team:
- Experience in managing substantial financial resources.
- (b) **Receipt of nominations.** In accordance with section 6.2 of the By-laws and as agreed with the Governing Council Bureau, all nominations for the office of the President shall be submitted no less than 60 days before the opening of

- the session at which the appointment of the President is to be decided. The deadline for receipt of nominations is set as Friday, 6 May.
- (c) **Communication of nominations.** As further prescribed by section 6.2 of the By-laws, the nominations so received<sup>1</sup> are communicated to all Members and to the Governing Council Bureau no less than 40 days prior to the session of the Council, in this instance Saturday, 28 May.
- (d) **Meeting with Membership**. As per established practice introduced in 2008, implemented and codified in 2013 and reconfirmed in 2018, a Membership meeting with candidates will be organized prior to the special session of the Governing Council. To this end, on behalf of all Member States, the Convenors of the three Lists, in consultation with the Governing Council Bureau, will invite the nominees for the Presidency of IFAD to an open meeting with IFAD's Membership during the week of 6 June.

# III. Appointment procedures

- 4. This section provides the statutory background and details of the appointment procedures. Excerpts from IFAD's basic legal texts relating to the appointment of the President are provided in annex II.
- 5. Rule 41.1 of the Rules of Procedure of the Governing Council provides that the appointment of the President of IFAD is to be considered by the Governing Council at a private meeting and the voting shall be in accordance with rule 38.1, unless otherwise decided by the Governing Council after considering a report of the Governing Council Bureau thereon. Rule 38.1 reads as follows:

"Except as provided otherwise in respect of elections pursuant to Rule 40, all elections shall be held by secret ballot unless the Governing Council decides otherwise in an election where the number of candidates does not exceed the number of elective places to be filled."

- 6. As per rule 41.2, in the case of only one nominee, the Governing Council may decide to appoint the President by acclamation.
- 7. In accordance with resolution 227/XLV, consultations have been held with the members of the Governing Council Bureau, and the decision has been made to hold an in-presence special session of the Governing Council. As such, paper ballots shall be the voting modality used for the purpose of the appointment of the President.
- 8. The relevant modalities of the appointment procedure by secret paper ballot are described in paragraphs 9 to 19 below.
- 9. Member States will be formally advised of their vote allocations prior to the first special session of the Governing Council. In order to allow for timely preparation of the appointment procedures, Member States wishing to make replenishment payments, for which contribution votes will be allocated, are urged to do so promptly so that their payments are received by 5 p.m. (Rome time) on Wednesday, 29 June.
- 10. Governors or, in their absence, Alternate Governors or, in the absence of both, a designated delegation member (hereinafter referred to as "voting representative") will cast their votes in complete privacy. To this effect, only voting representatives shall be granted access to the private meeting at which the appointment of the President is considered. In accordance with rule 33.2 of the Rules of Procedure of the Governing Council, Member States who do not have a permanent representation in Rome and who might experience difficulty in attending the first special session of the Governing Council may nominate, by means of a letter or

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The communication will include letters of nomination and curricula vitae submitted by governments of IFAD's Member States, together with any written replies to the questions.

- other communication from an accredited representative or the official channel of communication, any individual able to attend the meeting venue as a delegation member, including a national of another country, provided that the delegate is not part of the delegation of another Member State.
- The Chairperson of the Governing Council will outline specific procedures to be 11. followed during the session. The Secretary of IFAD will call the names of Member States in their English alphabetical order. The voting representatives will then proceed to a designated table at the voting venue, where they will receive an envelope containing one or more ballot papers, each indicating a specific number of votes. To safeguard the secrecy and confidentiality of the secret ballot, papers specifying any particular number of votes shall be received by at least four voting representatives. The total number of votes specified on the papers received shall equal the number of votes that the Member State is entitled to cast. Members' voting rights as at 25 March 2022 are provided in annex III, and the procedure for calculating Members' voting rights is explained in annex IV. It is essential that the voting representative checks the ballot papers immediately upon receipt and signs for them accordingly. If the total votes on the ballot papers do not tally with the number of votes that the Member State is entitled to cast, the voting representative should inform the relevant officials immediately of such discrepancy before signing.
- 12. After signing for the ballot papers, the voting representatives will be directed to voting booths, which will be set up to allow for voting in complete privacy and in compliance with health and safety regulations. The voting representatives shall indicate the surname of the nominee of their choice in the box space provided in each of the ballot papers (see attached sample in annex V) by using the stamp provided. Voting representatives shall cast the votes of the Member they represent in favour of a single person, as per rule 41.2 of the Rules of Procedure of the Governing Council. They will then proceed to the ballot box to deposit their ballots.
- 13. The Governing Council will remain in official session during the voting procedure. Voting representatives are requested to remain in the plenary hall prior to being called to cast their votes. After casting their votes, they may remain in or leave the room. No results are released outside the private meeting except the final outcome of the appointment process.
- 14. Ballot counting will take place in a special room designated for that purpose. The counting will be done by three tellers, one from each List, as appointed by the Chairperson of the Governing Council. The three tellers will be supported in their task by IFAD staff members, under the supervision of the Secretary of IFAD. When the counting of the votes is complete, the totals received by each nominee will be entered on a tally sheet, which will be signed by each teller.
- 15. The announcement of the results of the voting will be made by the Chairperson once the plenary has been called to order and the Chairperson has been presented with the signed tally sheet.
- 16. Should the results be final, the Chairperson will announce the results to the Council in open session.
- 17. As provided for in rule 41.2 of the Rules of Procedure of the Governing Council, if no nominee receives the required number of votes (two thirds of the total number of votes) on the first ballot, a second ballot will be taken in which the nominee who received the fewest votes will not participate.
- 18. The procedures outlined above will be repeated until one nominee receives at least two thirds of the total number of votes or the Council decides that the balloting should be discontinued and a decision taken on another date (rule 41.2 of the Rules of Procedure of the Governing Council).

19. Pursuant to Governing Council resolution 227/XLV, the term of office of the President elected at the special session of the Governing Council shall be extended for a period of six months, in accordance with article 6, section 8(a) and (b) of the Agreement Establishing IFAD, and will run from 1 October 2022 until 31 March 2027. Resolution 216/XLIV on the emoluments of the President of IFAD, adopted on 17 February 2021, shall apply to the President elected.

## **Guidelines for the campaign**

These guidelines relate only to the campaign leading up to the appointment of the President of IFAD. Their aim is to promote an open, fair, equitable and transparent electoral process among candidates who are running for the office of President of IFAD.

From the date on which nominations are announced and during the entire campaign process, Member States and candidates should:

- (a) Act in good faith and with mutual respect towards one another, bearing in mind the shared objectives of promoting equity, openness, transparency and fairness throughout the appointment process;
- (b) Refrain from:
  - Disrupting or impeding the campaign activities of other candidates and generally campaigning in an improper manner against other candidates;
  - Making any oral or written statement or other representation that could be deemed slanderous or libellous;
  - Making promises or commitments (other than as considered generally acceptable in diplomatic and international negotiations) that could undermine, or be perceived as undermining, the integrity of the appointment process or the governance of IFAD;
  - Attempting to influence the appointment process in an improper manner.

# Excerpts from IFAD's basic legal texts related to the appointment of the President

Relevant provisions of the Agreement Establishing the International Fund for Agricultural Development

#### ARTICLE 6 - ORGANIZATION AND MANAGEMENT

#### **Section 8 - President and Staff**

- (a) The Governing Council shall appoint the President by a two-thirds majority of the total number of votes. He shall be appointed for a term of four years and shall be eligible for reappointment for only one further term. The appointment of the President may be terminated by the Governing Council by a two-thirds majority of the total number of votes.
- (b) Notwithstanding the restriction on the term of office of the President of four years, contained in paragraph (a) of this Section, the Governing Council may, under special circumstances, on the recommendation of the Executive Board, extend the term of office of the President beyond the duration prescribed in paragraph (a) above. Any such extension shall be for no more than six months.

[...]

# Relevant provisions of the By-laws for the Conduct of the Business of IFAD SECTION 6 - THE PRESIDENT

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2. When the term of office of the President is due to expire, the appointment of a President shall be placed on the agenda of the annual session of the Governing Council immediately preceding the expiry of the term of office; whenever, for other reasons, the office of President becomes vacant or a vacancy is due to occur, the Executive Board shall request that the Governing Council be convened in special session for the purpose of appointing the President. Nominations for the office of President may be submitted to the Secretary of the Fund by Members, along with a curriculum vitae. Except as the Bureau of the Council may decide otherwise, all nominations shall be submitted no less than 60 days before the opening of the session at which the appointment of the President is to be decided. The President shall communicate timely nominations to all Members and the Bureau no less than 40 days prior to the session of the Council.

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#### Relevant provisions of the Rules of Procedure of the Governing Council

#### Rule 26: Quorum

1. A quorum for any meeting of the Governing Council shall be constituted by Governors exercising two-thirds of the total number of votes.

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#### **Rule 33: Voting Rights**

1. Each Member shall have the number of votes distributed to it in accordance with the formulae set out in Section 3(a) of Article 6 of the Agreement [Establishing the

- International Fund for Agricultural Development] and in the decisions that the Governing Council shall take, from time to time, in accordance therewith.
- 2. Each Governor shall be entitled to cast the votes of the Member he represents. In his absence, the alternate appointed by that Member or, in the absence of both, a member of their delegation shall be entitled to cast these votes.

#### **Rule 34: Majority Required**

1. The following decisions of the Governing Council shall require at least two-thirds of the total number of votes:

[...]

(c) Appointment or termination of the appointment of the President;

[...]

#### **Rule 35: Method of Taking Decisions**

- 1. At any meeting of the Governing Council, the Chairman should attempt to secure a consensus on a proposal in lieu of taking a vote thereon. However, the Council shall take decisions by vote at the request of any Governor.
- 2. Roll-call votes shall be taken in the English alphabetical order of the names of the Members, starting with the Member whose name is drawn by lot by the Chairman. The name of each Member shall be called in all roll-calls, and its representative shall reply "yes", "no" or "abstention". Unless otherwise decided by the Council, the vote of each Member participating in roll-call shall be recorded.
- 3. Secret ballots shall be taken by the casting of paper ballots<sup>3</sup> or, if available, through an electronic voting system, in such a way as to safeguard the secrecy and integrity of the secret ballot. Each Member shall have access to and the ability to cast, the specific number of votes to which they are entitled.

#### **Rule 36: Conduct Relating to Voting**

- 1. The Chairman shall announce the commencement of voting, after which no one shall be permitted to intervene until the results of the vote have been announced except on a point of order in connection with the process of voting.
- 2. Governors may make brief statements consisting solely of explanation of their votes, before the announcement of the commencement of voting or after the results of the vote have been announced.

#### **Rule 38: Elections**

1. [...] all elections shall be held by secret ballot unless the Governing Council decides otherwise in an election where the number of candidates does not exceed the number of elective places to be filled.

[...]

#### Rule 41: President

1. The appointment of the President shall be considered by the Governing Council at a private meeting, and voting shall be in accordance with Rule 38.1. unless otherwise decided by the Governing Council after considering a report of the Bureau thereon.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> In the case of paper ballots, each Governor shall be provided with one or more ballot papers each indicating a specific number of votes, which shall be so distributed that: (i) papers specifying any particular number of votes shall be received by at least four Governors, and (ii) the total number of votes specified on the papers received by any Governor shall equal the number of votes he is entitled to cast; each Governor may indicate his vote on all the papers he receives and deposit them in ballot boxes from which they shall be taken and counted by tellers appointed by the Chairman.

2. The Governing Council shall appoint the President by at least two-thirds of the total number of votes. In the case of only one nominee, the Council may use the method of acclamation to appoint the President. In the case of more than one nominee, if no nominee receives the required number of votes on the first ballot, a second ballot shall be taken in which the nominee who received the fewest votes shall not participate. This procedure shall be repeated until one nominee receives at least two-thirds of the total number of votes or the Council decides that such balloting be discontinued and decision be taken on another date. Each Governor casting the votes of the Member he represents shall cast them in favour of a single person.

# Voting rights of Member States at 25 March 2022

The total number of votes in the Governing Council is currently 6283.511. The table below shows the distribution of voting rights as at 25 March 2022. As explained in annex IV, contribution votes are distributed on the basis of contributions<sup>2</sup> actually paid and therefore will change as payments are received from Member States. The voting rights table shown below is therefore valid as at 25 March 2022 but will be adjusted according to the contributions received between 26 March 2022 and 29 June 2022 when the final voting rights for the appointment of the President will be determined (see section III, paragraph 9 of the present document).

<sup>2</sup> Complementary contributions shall not entitle contributing Members to receive contribution votes.

# **Voting rights of IFAD Member States as at 25 March 2022**

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Ecuador	15.660	0.25%
Egypt	25.597	0.41%
El Salvador	15.393	0.24%
Equatorial Guinea	15.212	0.24%
Eritrea	15.261	0.24%
Estonia	15.212	0.24%
Eswatini	15.334	0.24%
Ethiopia	15.347	0.24%
Fiji	15.357	0.24%
Finland	89.400	1.42%
France	175.719	2.80%
Gabon	16.568	0.26%
Gambia (The)	15.312	0.24%
Georgia	15.223	0.24%
Germany	272.329	4.33%
Ghana	18.693	0.30%
Greece	16.754	0.27%
Grenada	15.239	0.24%
Guatemala	15.807	0.25%
Guinea	15.444	0.25%
Guinea-Bissau	15.222	0.24%
Guyana	16.649	0.26%
Haiti	15.282	0.24%
Honduras	15.503	0.25%
	15.248	0.24%
Hungary Iceland	15.343	0.24%
India	107.468	1.71%
Indonesia		0.71%
Iran (Islamic Republic of)	44.653	0.32%
Iraq	20.029	0.34%
Ireland	32.682	0.52%
Israel	15.389	0.24%
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Italy	15.329	0.24%
Jamaica		
Japan Jordan	247.678 15.734	3.94% 0.25%
Kazakhstan	15.734	0.24%
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Kenya Kiribati	15.222	0.21%
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Kyrgyzstan	15.212	0.24%
Lao People's Democratic Republic	15.488	0.25%
Lebanon	15.389	0.24%
Lesotho	15.626	0.25%
Liberia	15.257	0.24%
Libya	31.575	0.50%
Luxembourg	21.601	0.34%

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Madagascar	15.604	0.25%
Malawi	15.369	0.24%
Malaysia	15.644	0.25%
Maldives	15.307	0.24%
Mali	15.760	
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Malta	15.232	0.24%
Marshall Islands	15.212	0.24%
Mauritania	15.280	0.24%
Mauritius	15.317	0.24%
Mexico	34.054	0.54%
Micronesia (Federated States of)	15.213	0.24%
Mongolia	15.288	0.24%
Montenegro	15.225	0.24%
Morocco	18.929	0.30%
Mozambique	15.450	0.25%
Myanmar	15.305	0.24%
Namibia	15.345	0.24%
Nauru	15.212	0.24%
Nepal	15.447	0.25%
Netherlands	240.951	3.83%
New Zealand	23.556	0.37%
Nicaragua	15.433	0.25%
Niger	15.613	0.25%
Nigeria	61.729	0.98%
Niue	15.212	0.24%
North Macedonia	15.212	0.24%
Norway	147.063	2.34%
Oman	15.335	0.24%
Pakistan	31.691	0.50%
Palau	15.212	0.24%
Panama	15.366	0.24%
Papua New Guinea	15.271	0.24%
Paraguay	15.845	0.25%
Peru	16.061	0.26%
Philippines	16.437	0.26%
Poland	15.212	0.24%
Portugal	16.765	0.27%
Qatar	29.130	0.46%
Republic of Korea	31.500	0.50%
Republic of Moldova	15.260	0.24%
Romania	15.388	0.24%
Russian Federation	22.588	0.36%
Rwanda	15.473	0.25%
Saint Kitts and Nevis	15.219	0.24%
Saint Lucia	15.220	0.24%
Saint Vincent and the Grenadines	15.212	0.24%
Samoa	15.239	0.24%

Annex III

Country	Total Votes	% of total votes
Sao Tome and Principe	15.233	0.24%
Saudi Arabia	183.657	2.92%
Senegal	15.575	0.25%
Seychelles	15.283	0.24%
Sierra Leone	15.354	0.24%
Solomon Islands	15.215	0.24%
Somalia	15.215	0.24%
South Africa	15.903	0.25%
South Sudan	15.216	0.24%
Spain	50.637	0.81%
Sri Lanka	19.353	0.31%
Sudan	15.838	0.25%
Suriname	15.212	0.24%
Sweden	270.093	4.30%
Switzerland	119.541	1.90%
Syrian Arab Republic	15.769	0.25%
Tajikistan	15.215	0.24%
Thailand	15.958	0.25%
Timor-Leste	15.251	0.24%
Togo	15.307	0.24%
Tonga	15.289	0.24%
Trinidad and Tobago	15.212	0.24%
Tunisia	17.536	0.28%
Turkey	25.560	0.41%
Tuvalu	15.212	0.24%
Uganda	15.877	0.25%
United Arab Emirates	37.435	0.60%
United Kingdom	213.345	3.40%
United Republic of Tanzania	15.637	0.25%
United States	389.235	6.19%
Uruguay	15.613	0.25%
Uzbekistan	15.288	0.24%
Vanuatu	15.212	0.24%
Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)	83.902	1.34%
Viet Nam	16.611	0.26%
Yemen	16.771	0.27%
Zambia	15.535	0.25%
Zimbabwe	16.441	0.26%
Grand TOTAL	6 283.511	100.00%

Any discrepancy in totals is due to rounding.

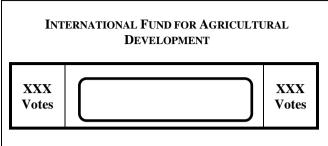
## **Voting rights of Member States in the Governing Council**

Under article 6, section 3(a), of the Agreement Establishing IFAD, "Voting in the Governing Council":

"The total number of votes in the Governing Council shall be comprised of Original Votes and Replenishment Votes. All Members shall have equal access to those votes on the following basis:

- (i) **Original Votes** shall consist of a total of one thousand eight hundred (1 800) votes made up of membership votes and contribution votes:
  - (A) **membership votes** shall be distributed equally among all Members; and
  - (B) **contribution votes** shall be distributed among all Members in the proportion that each Member's cumulative paid contributions to the resources of the Fund, authorized by the Governing Council prior to 26 January 1995 and made by Members in accordance with Sections 2, 3 and 4 of Article 4 of this Agreement, bear to the aggregate of the total of the said contributions paid by all Members;
- (ii) **Replenishment Votes** shall be made up of membership votes and contribution votes in a total amount of votes to be decided by the Governing Council upon each occasion that it calls for additional contributions under Section 3 of Article 4 of this Agreement (a "replenishment") commencing with the fourth such replenishment. Except as the Governing Council shall by a two-thirds majority of the total number of votes otherwise decide, the votes for each replenishment shall be established in the ratio of one hundred (100) votes for the equivalent of each one hundred and fifty eight million United States dollars (USD 158 000 000) contributed to the total amount of that replenishment, or a fraction thereof:
  - (A) **membership votes** shall be distributed equally among all Members on the same basis as that set forth in provision (i)(A) above; and
  - (B) **contribution votes** shall be distributed among all Members in the proportion that each Member's paid contribution to the resources contributed to the Fund by Members for each replenishment bears to the aggregate of the total contributions paid by all Members to the said replenishment; and
- (iii) The Governing Council shall decide the total number of votes to be allocated as membership votes and contribution votes under paragraphs (i) and (ii) of this Section. Upon any change in the number of Members of the Fund, the membership votes and contribution votes distributed under paragraphs (i) and (ii) of this Section shall be redistributed in accordance with the principles laid down in the said paragraphs. In the allocation of votes, the Governing Council shall ensure that those Members classified as members of Category III before 26 January 1995 receive one-third of the total votes as membership votes."

#### **SAMPLE BALLOT PAPER**



#### **Governing Council**

This ballot is for use within the Governing Council during secret balloting. Please indicate the surname of the participating candidate of your choice in the box above. After completion, this ballot should be placed in the ballot box. Ballots indicating more than one candidate or a candidate not participating will be considered null and void.

Bulletin pour les scrutins secrets du Conseil des gouverneurs. Prière d'inscrire le nom du candidat de votre choix dans la case ci-dessus. Ensuite, déposer le bulletin dans l'urne prévue. Les bulletins sur lesquels figureront plus d'un nom ou celui d'un candidat ne faisant pas partie de la liste officielle seront considérés nuls.

Esta papeleta se utilizará para la votación secreta que celebrará el Consejo de Gobernadores. Sírvase indicar el apellido del candidato de su elección en el recuadro que figura más arriba. Una vez rellenada, la papeleta se depositará en la urna instalada al efecto. Las papeletas en las que se indiquen varios candidatos, o un candidato que no participa, se considerarán nulas.

تُستخدم هذه البطاقة في عمليات الاقتراع السري في مجلس المحافظين. يرجى كتابة الاسم العائلي للمرشح المشارك الذي تختارونه ضمن الإطار المدرج أعلاه، ثم وضمع البطاقة في صمندوق الاقتراع. وتعتبر هذه البطاقة باطلة ولاغية إذا ما احتوت على أكثر من اسم واحد أو إذا ما تضمنت اسم مرشح غير مشارك.