

## **Staff Appointment: Dina Saleh, Chief of Staff, Office of the President and the Vice-President**



I am pleased to announce that I have decided to appoint **Ms Dina Saleh** to the position of Chief of Staff, at the Office of the President and the Vice-President, effective 6th January 2025 after a competitive recruitment process.

Dina brings a wealth of experience and a track record of excellence, having dedicated 17 years to the International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD) in various leadership capacities. Currently, she serves as the Director of IFAD's Near East, North Africa, and Europe Division (NEN). Throughout her career at IFAD, Dina has held several roles, including Head of the Multi-Country Office in Cairo, Country Director, Lead Portfolio Adviser, and Head of the Supervision Support Unit in the AVP-DCO Front Office to spearhead IFAD's transition to Direct Supervision.

Before joining IFAD, Dina worked with the United Nations Office for Project Services (UNOPS) in Nairobi, Tunis, and Rome, as well as with the private sector.

A dual national of Yemen and Kenya, Dina holds a Master of Science in Development Finance from the University of London and a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration (Accounts and Finance) from the United States International University. She is married and a proud mother of two.

Please join me in warmly welcoming Dina to her new role. I am confident that her leadership, experience, and dedication will be invaluable as we advance our institution's mission and goals in the coming years.

I want to take this opportunity to sincerely thank **Charles Tellier** for his outstanding work as Chief of Staff and Director of the Office of the President and the Vice-President. I am deeply grateful for everything Charles has done for IFAD and for me personally. From day one, he's been a steady CoS, a wise advisor, and someone I could always count on. His work in strengthening our outreach for IFAD13, guiding our decentralisation approach, and shaping IFAD's leadership in the Public Development Bank platform has left a legacy.

I am also pleased to announce that **Naoufel Telahigue**, who currently serves as IFAD's Head of the IFAD's Multi-Country Office for North Africa and Eastern European Countries and is the IFAD Country Director for Morocco, Armenia, Ukraine, Saudi Arabia, and Serbia will act as Officer-in-Charge Director of IFAD's Near East, North Africa, and Europe Division (NEN) from the 6<sup>th</sup> January 2025. Dina will support in ensuring a smooth transition.