

31 July 2013

Distinguished Executive Board representative,

I am pleased to inform you that the following grant proposals under the country-specific and the global/regional grants windows, have been posted on IFAD's public website at www.ifad.org/gbdocs/lot/2013/e/approval.htm as well as on IFAD's Member States Interactive Platform at <https://webapps.ifad.org/members/lapse-of-time> today:

1. Country-specific grant:

Republic of Mozambique: Strengthening Artisanal Fishers' Resource Rights Project (Projeto de Direitos aos Recursos dos Pescadores Artesanais – PRODIRPA)

2. Global regional grant:

International Work Group for Indigenous Affairs (IWGIA): IFAD Support to the Processes of the United Nations World Conference on Indigenous Peoples

The proposals have been posted for your review in accordance with rule 24 of the Rules of Procedure of the Executive Board, which sets out the lapse-of-time procedure for the approval of IFAD-funded projects and programmes, approved by the Executive Board in December 2009 (EB 2009/98/R.15/Rev.1) and further revised in September 2012 (EB 2012/106/R.9).

In particular, rule 24 stipulates the following:

"Proposals for projects and programmes submitted by the President pursuant to article 7, section 2(c) of the Agreement [Establishing IFAD] shall be considered approved by the Executive Board if no request for consideration during a session of the Executive Board is received from any member within thirty days of the delivery to the members. For the purposes of this rule, delivery shall mean posting on the Fund's website and notification to members by e-mail."

Resource coverage would be ensured for these proposals as attested in document EB 2013/108/R.7/Rev.1 (see <https://webapps.ifad.org/members/eb/108/docs/EB-2013-108-R-7-Rev-1.pdf>).

Thus, in view of rule 24, in the absence of a request from an Executive Board representative for a proposal to be discussed at the forthcoming session of the Board, the proposals will be considered approved after the lapse of a period of 30 calendar days from the date of posting of the documents and transmission of the present communication.

Requests for consideration of any of these proposals at a regular session of the Executive Board should be submitted by the authorized Executive Board representative via e-mail/fax to the Office of the Secretary at gb_office@ifad.org, no later than 30 August 2013.

Accept, distinguished representative, the assurances of my highest consideration.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Cheryl Morden". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long, sweeping underline.

Cheryl Morden
Officer-in-charge, Office of the Secretary