

**Executive Board** 

## President's report on a proposed grant under the global window to the International Land Coalition for the Programme for Securing Land Rights for Inclusive and Sustainable Rural Transformation, Prosperity and Resilience

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#### FOR: APPROVAL

**Action**: The Executive Board is invited to approve the recommendation contained in paragraph 12.

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## I. Background and compliance with the IFAD Regular Grants Policy

- 1. The proposed programme is in line with the goal and objectives of the IFAD Regular Grants Policy.<sup>1</sup> This proposal for a contribution to the basket fund to support the Strategy 2030 of the International Land Coalition (ILC) and the updated IFAD-ILC roadmap 2022–2025 responds to the grant policy by:
  - Facilitating inclusive policy environments by promoting multi-stakeholder dialogue that engages diverse, especially non-state, actors representing rural people;
  - (ii) Leveraging strategic and operational partners' expertise and resources to complement IFAD's work; and
  - (iii) Improving availability and uptake of knowledge and innovation for enhanced impact and sustainability of IFAD initiatives, and evidence-based advocacy of the central role of land governance in addressing global challenges.
- 2. The main priority area is priority commitment area 3: Strategic partnerships to enhance impact (IFAD12 commitment 1.4). ILC will facilitate engagement of national land coalitions (NLCs) with IFAD programming in nine countries, increase focus on land beyond those, and coordinate advocacy in key global processes. ILC's Council and the ILC-facilitated "convergence group" (with the World Bank and the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations [FAO]) are spaces for engagement with global partners.
- 3. The recipient was identified through direct selection, which was approved on 28 February 2023 by the Operational Strategy and Policy Guidance Committee.

# II. The proposed programme

- 4. The overall goal of the programme is to secure land rights for inclusive and sustainable rural transformation, prosperity and resilience. The objectives are to:
  - (i) Deliver a stronger impact on secure land tenure by NLCs, including through alignment with IFAD's own programming;
  - (ii) Produce people's data on land to enhance transparency, accountability and evidence-based policy; and
  - (iii) Build and strengthen political commitment to people-centred land governance through regional and global advocacy.
- 5. The target group will be composed of rural people living off the land with unsecured tenure rights or lacking control over the land they need. They are people whose lives depend on land, especially those lacking tenure security (women, youth, family and poor farmers, Indigenous and local communities, pastoralists, forest dwellers, hunter-gatherers, fishers, Afro descendants), representing ILC's target group of more than 70 million people. More than 40 per cent of members belong to these constituencies.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> See EB 2021/132/R3.

- 6. The programme will be implemented over two years, with the following activities by objective/component:
  - 1.1 Joint transformative country programming with NLCs aligned with IFAD's programme cycle
  - 1.2 Facilitate the Land Collaborative for cross-country learning
  - 2.1 Strengthen skills for land data collection, analysis and use
  - 2.2 Tracking of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and production of a global land governance report
  - 2.3 Specific focus on land and environmental defenders, and gender justice
  - 3.1 Support member advocacy to influence regional and global processes/agendas with potential to shape national land governance
  - 3.2 Raise awareness and visibility of land rights on policy agendas

### **III. Expected outcomes/outputs**

7. The programme is expected to have the following outcomes: (i) NLCs are inclusive and influential in advancing people-centred land governance; (ii) data are produced to enhance transparency, accountability and evidence-based policy; and (iii) global and regional processes recognize the key role of land rights, and ILC members give space and a voice to farmers, pastoralists, Indigenous Peoples, women and youth in events. Indicators in italics are to be confirmed with IFAD to fine-tune collaboration.

# (i) NLCs are inclusive and influential in advancing people-centred land governance<sup>2</sup>

- Number of countries in which governmental/multilateral agencies (World Bank, FAO), IFAD (country strategic opportunities programme [COSOPs] and investments) collaborate with NLCs and include member inputs/contributions/expertise.
  - **Target:** Five countries (five of the priority countries that will go through a COSOP process during the implementation period of the grant Bangladesh, Cameroon, Colombia, Kyrgyzstan, Madagascar, Philippines, Sierra Leone, Togo and Uganda)
- Percentage of NLCs with participation of people's organizations (smallholders, women, youth, Indigenous Peoples).
  - **Target:** 50 per cent
- Number of policy changes and practices (behaviours, programmes, budget allocations) that contribute to securing land rights.
  - **Target:** 25 changes in policies and 35 changes in practices in 15 countries, with a focus on women's land rights

# (ii) Data are produced to enhance transparency, accountability and evidence-based policy

- Number of countries in which people's data contribute to SDG voluntary national reviews, alternative reports and IFAD reporting.
  - o **Target:** At least 10 countries
- Number and type of key actors (including people's organizations) that contribute to producing/using people's data.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> In 30 countries with special focus on Bangladesh, Cameroon, Colombia, Kyrgyzstan, Madagascar, Philippines, Sierra Leone, Togo and Uganda.

- **Target:** At least 30 NLCs have full data collection systems and applications
- (iii) Global and regional processes recognize the key role of land rights, and ILC members give space and a voice to farmers, pastoralists, Indigenous Peoples, women and youth in events
  - Number of international, regional and national processes influenced by ILC members of farmers', women, youth, pastoralists' and Indigenous Peoples' organizations coordinating advocacy efforts with IFAD.
    - **Target:** 12 regional and global processes and 20 national processes
  - Number of ILC members and spokespersons for women, youth and people's organizations.
    - 2024 target: 10 grassroots women leaders with speaking roles; and at least 50 per cent of advocacy strategies involving people's organizations
  - Number of ILC members and NLCs that use and promote gender justice.
    - **Target:** 40 per cent

#### **IV.** Implementation arrangements

- 8. ILC's triennial workplan 2022–2024 is costed at US\$43 million of core<sup>3</sup> and leveraged<sup>4</sup> funding. Through this grant, IFAD contributes to core funding for the period 2023–2024 only. In 2022, IFAD contributed US\$0.75 million.<sup>5</sup> This grant would contribute another 7 per cent (US\$1.5 million) with the remaining US\$19.5 million from signed/ready-to-sign contracts<sup>6</sup> and US\$1.5 million still under negotiation. Member-led initiatives will mobilize an additional US\$4 million against the core target. Since 2016, members have also contributed to ILC's reserve fund.
- 9. Endorsed by ILC's Council, IFAD's contribution will go into a basket fund, which pools donor funds (from SDC, BMZ and other participating organizations). This process simplifies reporting, enhances Council oversight and streamlines IFAD's financial management processes for ILC.
- 10. For this contribution, ILC will report on the entire workplan and results framework and outcomes achieved under the IFAD/ILC roadmap. ILC and the Sustainable Production, Markets and Institutions Division will also prepare annual roadmap progress reports to the Programme Management Committee. The latter will also be reflected in the annual supervision report for this grant.

# V. Indicative programme costs and financing

11. The total grant amount for the period 2023–2024 is calculated as US\$17,359,325, of which IFAD's in-cash contribution totals US\$1,500,000. The remaining US\$15,859,325 includes US\$1,640,000 of in-kind contribution and US\$14,219,325 cash contribution.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> In support of ILC functioning and providing seed support to all member-led initiatives.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> For specific member-led initiatives, national or thematic, based on donor interest.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Through GRIPS/2000003739.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> European Commission, the German Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ), the Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation (SDC), the Netherlands Enterprise Agency, Wellspring and previous IFAD contributions.

#### Table 1 Costs by component and financier (United States dollars)

Components	IFAD 2023-24	Non-IFAD cash 2023–24	Non-IFAD in kind 2023–24
1. SO1: National land coalitions advance people-centred land governance	1 400 000	12 829 335	1 640 000
<ol> <li>SO2: People's data is produced and used to hold governments and corporations accountable</li> </ol>			
3. Leveraged support on data including Land Matrix Initiative Phase 3			
<ol> <li>SO3: Regional and global advocacy builds political commitment to people-centred land governance</li> </ol>			
ILC institutional pledges (gender justice, and land and environmental defenders) Network support, including communications			
Regional and global governance One Team (global and regional)			
Subtotal: Direct costs		12 829 335	1 640 000
Hosting fee and other admin	100 000	1 389 990	
Total	1 500 000	14 219 325	1 640 000

# VI. Recommendation

12. I recommend that the Executive Board approve the proposed grant in terms of the following resolution:

RESOLVED: that the Fund, in order to finance, in part, the Programme for Securing Land Rights for Inclusive and Sustainable Rural Transformation, Prosperity and Resilience, shall provide a grant of one million five hundred thousand United States dollars (US\$1,500,000) to the International Land Coalition for 24 months, and upon such terms and conditions as shall be substantially in accordance with the terms and conditions presented herein.

> Alvaro Lario President

# **Results-based logical framework**

	Objectives hierarchy	Objectively verifiable indicators (in italics: tbc with IFAD)	Means of verification	Assumptions
Goal	People Centred Land Governance	<ul> <li>% of people with secure land rights in NLC countries (by age and sex disaggregated)</li> <li>% of NLC countries in which women's land rights are recognised</li> <li>% of countries that report on land SDG</li> </ul>	LANDex Indicator 4A Data available: LANDex + SDG official data for 5.a.2. Data available: SDG Process & Land Momentum Group (LMG)	Multi stakeholder platforms use Landex; the indicators cover all spheres of ILC work GLOBAL (ILC as a convener) NATIONAL (policy sphere) LOCAL (change for people in land tenure security); Countries monitor and report on SDGs
Objectives	<ul> <li>(i) Deliver a stronger impact on secure land tenure by NLCs, including through alignment with IFAD's own programming;</li> <li>(ii) Produce people's data on land to enhance transparency, accountability and evidence-based policy; and,</li> <li>(iii) Build and strengthen political commitment to people-centred land governance through regional and global advocacy.</li> </ul>	See below outcome indicators		
Outcomes/ outputs Indicators in italics are to be confirmed with IFAD to fine tune collaboration	NLCs are inclusive and influential to advance people-centred land governance	<ul> <li><i>#</i> of countries in which governmental/multilateral agencies (WB, FAO), IFAD (COSOPs and investments) collaborate with NLCs and include member inputs/contributions/expertise</li> <li>% of NLCs with participation by people's organisations (smallholders, women, youth, indigenous peoples)</li> <li><i>#</i> of policy changes and practices (behaviours, programs, budget allocations) that contribute to securing land rights</li> </ul>	Platform Monitoring tool (internal)/ Members reports as part of ILC's M&E system (external) Members reports as part of ILC's M&E system ONE team monitoring (internal)/ Members reports as part of ILC's M&E system (external TBD)	Members collaborate with IFAD National, regional and global context is conducive to dialogue and collaboration on people-centred land governance
	Data produced to enhance transparency, accountability and evidence-based policy;	<ul> <li># of countries in which people's data contributes to SDG Voluntary National Reports (VNRs), alternative reports and IFAD reporting</li> <li># and type of key actors (incl. POs) that contribute to producing / using people's data</li> </ul>	ONE team and Members reports as part of ILC's M&E system	ONE Team and members provide detailed reports
	Global and regional processes recognise the key role of land rights, ILC members give space to	# of international, regional and national processes influenced by ILC farmers, women,	ONE team and Members reports as part of ILC's M&E system	ONE Team and members provide detailed reports

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		(in italics: tbc with IFAD)		
	Farmers, Pastoralists, Indigenous people, women and youth voices in events.	youth, pastoralists and indigenous people's members coordinating advocacy efforts with IFAD		
		# of ILC members women/youth/People's Organisations spokespersons		
		# of ILC members and NLCs that use and promote Gender Justice		
Key activities by component	<ul> <li>1.1 Joint transformative country programming with NLCs aligned with IFAD's programme cycle</li> <li>1.2 Facilitate Land Collaborative for cross-country learning</li> <li>2.1. Strengthen skills for land data collection, analysis and use</li> <li>2.2 SDG tracking and production of a Global Land Governance report</li> <li>2.3 Specific focus on defenders and gender justice</li> <li>3.1 Support member advocacy to influence regional and global processes/agendas with potential to shape national land governance</li> <li>3.2 Raise awareness and visibility of land rights on policy agendas</li> </ul>	<ul> <li># of platforms that include/engage with IFAD</li> <li># of Land Collaborative learning cycles</li> <li># of land data trainings</li> <li># number of reports</li> <li># of gender audits and trainings</li> <li># of cases supported (defenders/communities protected) via emergency funds</li> <li># of advocacy actions</li> </ul>	ONE team and Members reports as part of ILC's M&E system	Members provide detailed reports