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Consultation on the Tenth Replenishment of IFAD's Resources –
First Session
Rome, 20-21 February 2014

For: Approval

Sessions, workplan and themes of the Consultation on the Tenth Replenishment of IFAD's Resources

1. Article 4, section 3 of the Agreement Establishing IFAD requires the Governing Council to periodically review the adequacy of the resources available to IFAD to ensure continuity in its operations. In order to allow for the timely review of resource availability before the Ninth Replenishment period expires on 31 December 2015, the Executive Board, at its 109th session in September 2013, reviewed a draft resolution on the Establishment of the Consultation on the Tenth Replenishment of IFAD's Resources (IFAD10) and decided to submit the resolution as contained in document GC37/L.4, together with its recommendations, to the Governing Council for approval at its thirty-seventh session. In anticipation of the adoption of this resolution and after consultations with the List Convenors, the President of IFAD sent out an invitation to the organizational session of the IFAD10 Consultation, to be held on 20-21 February 2014 at IFAD headquarters, together with a midterm review of the Ninth Replenishment (IFAD9).
2. To ensure IFAD10 effectiveness by 2016, Consultation sessions will be held in 2014 and the Consultation's recommendations reported to the thirty-eighth session of the Governing Council in 2015. One organizational and three substantive sessions are expected to suffice to conclude the IFAD10 negotiations. Accordingly, Member States are invited to approve the following proposed dates for the second, third and fourth sessions of the IFAD10 Consultation:
 - Second session: Monday and Tuesday, 9-10 June 2014
 - Third session: Tuesday and Wednesday, 7-8 October 2014
 - Fourth session: Thursday and Friday, 18-19 December 2014
3. A proposed workplan and themes for the IFAD10 consultation for consideration by Consultation members is attached hereto as an annex. The proposed themes are based on an assessment of anticipated challenges, opportunities, trends and risks, along with the policies, practices and reforms needed to achieve targeted results during the IFAD10 period and beyond. The themes also reflect informal consultation and discussions with List Convenors and Consultation Members.

Indicative IFAD10 workplan and themes

Second session (9–10 June 2014)

Strategic vision

1. Management will present strategic directions with a particular focus on inclusive and sustainable economic development, food security and nutrition, and what it proposes to achieve during the IFAD10 period. Based on IFAD's recent changes and reforms, the strategic vision will describe what Management envisions as the changing demands and the investments needed to better enable smallholders to contribute to economic development, poverty reduction, food security and nutrition, and environmental sustainability in the rapidly changing and increasingly complex rural environment leading up to 2018 and beyond. In that context, it will describe IFAD's value proposition and comparative advantage, and will propose an overarching theme and goal for work during IFAD10.

IFAD10 business model

2. Management will describe how it proposes to achieve more ambitious results and impact during the IFAD10 period and beyond. It will explain how project-level operations will better contribute to country-level results and how such results can be extended to reach millions more of the world's under-producing smallholders and rural producers. It will highlight the approaches (private-sector engagement, innovation, knowledge management and capacity strengthening, South-South cooperation, policy dialogue and advocacy, partnerships, grant making and scaling up), focus areas (climate, inclusive finance, nutrition) and targeting (women, indigenous peoples, youth) that will enable IFAD to leverage and catalyse greater impact.
3. Management will also propose the operational changes needed to implement the IFAD10 strategic vision and business model (decentralization, specialized resources, tools, analysis and products for more effective country-level partnership and private-sector engagement).
4. Management will give particular attention to IFAD's comparative advantage and role in lower-income countries, middle-income countries and fragile and conflict-affected states. It will identify any new products, approaches, tools, resources and measurements to improve its relevance and results in each. Finally, it will discuss how IFAD will ensure optimal efficiency and value for money during IFAD10.

Programme of work for IFAD10

5. Management will present the projected programme of work for IFAD10, including the number and geographic distribution of projects and focus of grants, based on demand for IFAD financing, absorptive capacity and the performance-based allocation system.

Financial framework and modalities

6. Management will then propose an IFAD10 financial framework that reflects the replenishment target, compensation for forgone principal repayment¹ and climate finance, along with new options and potential sources for additional finance identified through its ongoing Additional Resource Mobilization initiative, including sovereign debt. It will discuss how to strengthen fiduciary and risk management systems and tools and will explore options for a new financial structure and products to better equip IFAD to access additional sources of finance. Based on all of this, it will present various financing scenarios for IFAD10.

¹ The recommended approach reviewed and endorsed by the Executive Board in December 2013 will be the basis for the Consultation's consideration of modalities for compensation, consistent with IFAD's Debt Sustainability Framework.

Draft replenishment resolution

7. Management will present a draft resolution on IFAD10. The final draft resolution will reflect the Consultation's report on the result of its deliberations, commitments to be undertaken by Management during the replenishment period and the conditions governing IFAD10 replenishment contributions.

Presentations by IOE on the corporate-level evaluation on the achievements of IFAD replenishments and evaluation synthesis report on IFAD's engagement in middle-income countries

Third session (7–8 October 2014)

IFAD10 results measurement framework

8. Management will review the evolving structure of IFAD's results measurement framework with regard to logic and coherence, taking into account developments in similar frameworks of other international financial institutions (IFIs); integrate new results measures and targets recommended in the course of the IFAD10 Consultation; outline a theory of change that makes explicit the linkages between the activities and accomplishments measured and IFAD's overall objectives; and indicate the steps to be taken to enhance the basis for results measurement.

Scaling up impact

9. Management will articulate its overall strategy for expanded impact on the basis of scaling up innovations and successes with development partners; describe the evolution and expansion of its engagement at country, regional and global levels; and lay out steps towards further consolidating scaling up impact in programme, policy, knowledge management, partnership and South-South and triangular cooperation activities.

Innovative financing for IFAD's future

10. Management will discuss its findings regarding new financing instruments and other innovative approaches as identified through the Additional Resource Mobilization initiative that was authorized in IFAD9. In relation to the actual demand for development services and in line with IFAD's mandate and evolving business model, the presentation will assess each instrument in terms of its potential impact, feasibility, and risk. It will describe available options for incorporating various instruments within IFAD's operations.

Draft IFAD10 Consultation report and revised draft replenishment resolution

11. Management will summarize the opportunities and challenges discussed during the Consultation and explain the rationale for the overarching theme and focus areas for IFAD10. It will present a framework of actions and commitments to be undertaken, along with the financial framework and a revised results measurement framework.

Presentation on corporate-level evaluation on IFAD's engagement in fragile states

Fourth session (18–19 December 2014)

Final IFAD10 Consultation report

12. Management will present a revised IFAD10 report, based on feedback from the third session, comments received on the Member State Interactive Platform and bilateral consultations with Member States.

Final draft replenishment resolution

Pledges to IFAD10

13. Member States will be invited to announce their pledges to IFAD10.