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Working Group on the Transition Framework — Fourth Meeting
Rome, 20 September 2018

For: Approval
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   (a) Results-based lending (Terms of Reference, paragraph 7(iii))
   (b) Draft revised guidelines and procedures for results-based country strategic opportunities programmes (Terms of Reference, paragraph 7(iv))
   (c) Status of Reimbursable Technical Assistance and the way forward (Terms of Reference, paragraph 7(v))
5. Presentation by Management on the transformation of IFAD’s business model and financial architecture
6. Minutes of the Third Meeting of the Working Group on the Transition Framework (TBC)²
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² This item will be discussed only if members have comments on the minutes.
Annotations

The fourth meeting of the Working Group on the Transition Framework (TFWG) will be held on Thursday, 20 September 2018, at IFAD headquarters, Via Paolo di Dono 44, Rome. The meeting will begin in the Oval Room (S-120) at 2 p.m.

1. **Opening of the meeting**
   In accordance with paragraph 4 of the Terms of Reference of the Working Group on the Transition Framework (EB 2018/123/R.26/Rev.1), the purpose of the TFWG in phase II is to develop and finalize a Transition Framework to be approved by the Executive Board in December 2018, in line with the document Approach to a Transition Framework (EB 2017/122/R.34/Rev.1) and the relevant commitment of the Eleventh Replenishment of IFAD’s Resources (IFAD11) (IFAD11 commitment 2.1, monitorable action 8, time frame: by Q4 2018).

2. **Adoption of the agenda**
   The provisional agenda of the fourth meeting is contained in the present document (TFWG 2018/4/W.P.1).

3. **Terms of Reference of the TFWG**
   Management will present information on the following items for the Working Group's discussion:
   
   (a) **Results-based lending (Terms of Reference, paragraph 7(iii))**
   Building on the information provided in the Concept Note on Results-based Lending (RBL) submitted to the third meeting of the TFWG (document TFWG 2018/3/W.P.2) and on the comments made by Members, the Working Group will review the document presented by Management, aimed at developing a proposal to pilot RBL during IFAD11 (IFAD11 commitment 3.6, monitorable action 36, time frame: by Q2 2020).
   
   The TFWG will be asked to analyse and subsequently endorse the rationale and proposal for piloting RBL in IFAD and the next steps, as presented in document TFWG 2018/4/W.P.2.
   
   In addition, the Working Group will be asked to endorse the key elements as highlighted in the document in a specific text box. This will allow Management to continue working towards the final Transition Framework document.

   (b) **Draft revised guidelines and procedures for results-based country strategic opportunities programmes (Terms of Reference, paragraph 7(iv))**
   Management will present a draft of the Revised Procedures for Country Strategies (document TFWG 2018/4/W.P.3), which will explain how IFAD's country strategic opportunities programmes will incorporate, inter alia, transition scenarios. The Working Group's feedback will be sought with the objective of finalizing the procedures for Management's approval and subsequent submission to the fifth meeting of the TFWG in October 2018.

   (c) **Status of Reimbursable Technical Assistance and the way forward (Terms of Reference, paragraph 7(v))**
   Management will report on the current use of reimbursable technical assistance at IFAD, the lessons learned so far, and its vision on how to enhance the use of this instrument with the aim of increasing its effectiveness for countries in transition.

4. **Transition Framework – First Draft document**
   In document TFWG 2018/4/W.P.4, Management will present the first draft of the Transition Framework document which will incorporate feedback received on the
zero draft presented at the third TFWG meeting. The objective is to gather members' additional feedback on the structure and content of the document.

5. **Presentation by Management on the transformation of IFAD’s business model and financial architecture**
   For the information of the Working Group, Management will present the timeline for various elements related to the transformation of IFAD’s business model and financial architecture to be presented to IFAD’s governing bodies in the short and medium term.

6. **Minutes of the Third Meeting of the Working Group on the Transition Framework (TBC)**
   This item will be discussed only if members have comments on the minutes.

7. **Other business**
   The Working Group may consider additional topics that are not included in the provisional agenda but may be proposed by members and/or IFAD Management.