

Transition Framework

Revised Guidelines and Procedures for Results-based Country Strategic Opportunities Programmes

Ruth Farrant

Director, Financial Management Division (FMD) Financial Operations Department (FOD)

Lisandro Martin

Director, Operational Policy and Results Division, a.i Programme Management Department



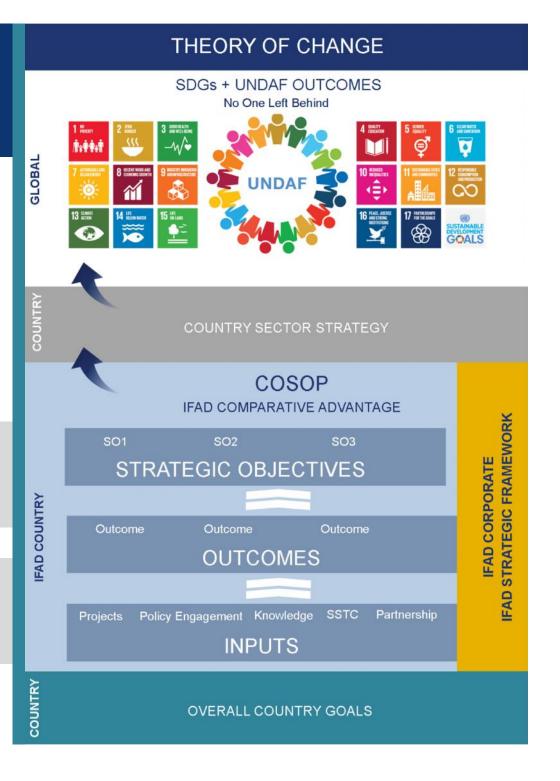
Introduction

Country strategies position IFAD and provide a framework for country programmes

Based on a theory of change, which:

Contributes to achievement of development outcomes through investment projects, policy engagement and other non-lending activities

Links strategic objectives to national policy and strategies, IFAD strategic framework and SDGs



New vision and elements for COSOPs

COSOPs for IFAD11 will



Analysis of fragility



Transition scenarios



Define financial envelope / establish co-financing targets



Resources and strategies for non-lending activities

and enhance focus on



Partnerships



Mainstreamed themes



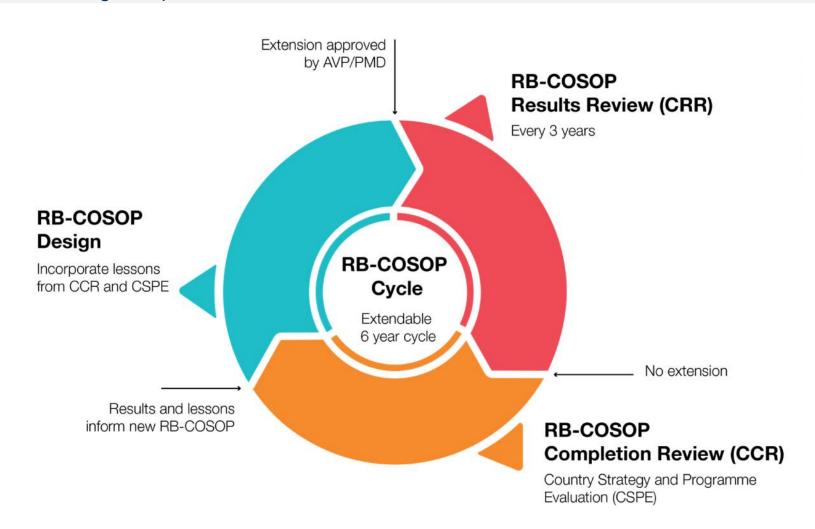
SSTC



Communication, transparency and citizen engagement

COSOPs based on knowledge and experience

Flexible timing, depending on political policy cycles, UNDAF and other relevant circumstances, but building in experience





Basic principles and features COSOP vs CSN

COSOPs done for all borrowing countries...

COSOPs

Medium-term framework (~6 years)

Includes results framework, results review, completion review

...but in exceptional cases (e.g. re-engagement, conflict, SIDS, etc)

CSNs

Short-term framework (2 years)

Intended for learning and future strategy development



Basic principles and features



Tailored support packages and financial envelopes for diverse country contexts and needs



Projects, policy engagement, KM, SSTC all serving strategic objectives



Alignment with SDGs and UNDAF



SECAP background studies for mainstreaming



COSOP results framework to summarise logic for the ToC



Potential risks identified and mitigated



Defining the financial envelope

COSOPs and CSNs tailored to the resources available including:



IFAD's lending/grant envelope for project financing, based on expected PBAS allocations through the 2-3 cycles



Co-financing targets, derived from regional targets - amounts and types of co-financing dependent on country context



Resources for nonlending activities identified, particularly for CLPE and SSTC

COSOP design and approval

COSOPs



COSOPs prepared jointly with Government and local stakeholders - civil society, smallholder farmers, private sector, development partners

IFAD's review



Broad consultations and validation an important part of the COSOP preparation, during drafting and after IFAD's own review

OCS



IFAD internal review of COSOP through Operational and Strategy and Policy Guidance Committee (OSC) chaired by President

OSC approves



With the COSOP, OSC approves >1 project idea (through project identification form), or project concept note if concept advanced

COSOP and **CSN** approved



COSOP approved by AVP/PMD and presented to EB for review. CSN approved by AVP/PMD. Both are disclosed on IFAD website



