

15-16 February 2016

The Farmers' Forum

In conjunction with the thirty-ninth session
of IFAD's Governing Council



Agenda

OVERVIEW

The sixth global meeting of the Farmers' Forum (FAFO) will be organised in four different segments from 12 to 18 February.

Segment 1: Friday 12 February/ Special Session with Pastoralists and Livestock Breeders

This special session, organised at the request of the 2014 FAFO meeting, will gather 20 representatives of Pastoralist and Livestock breeders Organizations involved in the regional consultations together with selected IFAD staff.

Segment 2: Saturday and Sunday 13-14 February / Preparatory Sessions amongst FOs delegates managed by the FAFO Orientation Committee – (Barceló Aran Mantegna Hotel)

The preparatory sessions have been requested by the members of the FAFO Orientation Committee to allow FOs to better prepare their meeting with IFAD. They will include a meeting of the Steering Committee on Saturday morning and plenary sessions of all FOs delegates on Sunday. The meetings will take place at Barceló Aran Mantegna Hotel where the delegates are hosted.

Segment 3: Monday and Tuesday 15-16 February / Main sessions of the Farmers' Forum

The main sessions of the Forum are organised as business discussion between FOs representatives and IFAD staff and managers focussed on FOs-IFAD partnership. Their agenda is defined by the FAFO Steering Committee and they are chaired by FOs leaders. The plenary session in the Italian Conference Room will be opened on Monday at 9:00 by the President of IFAD and closed on Tuesday at 18:00 by the Vice President of IFAD. Country Programme Managers (CPM) and Officers (CPO) are requested to actively participate during these two days to contribute to the thematic and/or Regional Working Groups that will take place on Monday afternoon and Tuesday morning. IFAD Governors and Executive Board representatives are invited to the final plenary session of Tuesday 16 afternoon. FAFO participants are invited to the 10th Year Anniversary Dinner on the evening of Tuesday 16.

Segment 4: Wednesday and Thursday 17-18 February / Bilateral meetings between FOs and IFAD staff and Side Events to the Farmers Forum.

During the two days of the IFAD Governing Council, FOs delegates can follow the GC as observers while others will have the opportunity to meet with IFAD staff. Wednesday will include one working session of exchange of experience between FOs involved in the SFOAP and MTCP programmes. Thursday 18 is dedicated to the Side Events of the Farmers Forum.

The statement of the Farmers Forum meeting will be delivered to the plenary of the IFAD Governing Council in late morning of 18 February.

Special Session of the Farmers' Forum with Pastoralists and Livestock Breeders

Jointly organized by IFAD and VSF International

Friday, 12 February 2016 (IFAD Italian Conference Room)

Annotation: Participants are selected IFAD staff and representatives of pastoralist and livestock breeders organizations involved in the regional consultations organised by Vétérinaires sans Frontières International in January 2016.

8:00 - 9:00	Registration (For those that did not register in the evening of 11 February at the Hotel).
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9:00 - 13:00	Plenary Session with Pastoralists and Livestock Breeders <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Opening and review of the Agenda• Presentation and validation of the mapping of pastoralists and livestock breeders organizations• Feedback from regional consultation and synthesis• Findings from IFAD/FAO Joint Evaluation Synthesis report on IFAD/FAO Engagement with Pastoral Development (2003-2013)
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13:00 - 14:00	Lunch
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14:00 - 16:00	3 Parallel Working Groups <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Priority areas for investments (Italian Conference Room)• Policy dialogue and advocacy (Oval Conference Room)• Partnership with IFAD (Meeting Room C500)
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16:30 - 17:30	Plenary Discussion
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18:00 - 20:00	<i>Special Session Committee with statement writers (IFAD Italian conference room)</i>
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Preparatory Meetings

Saturday, 13 February 2016 (Hotel Barceló Aran Mantegna)

10:00 – 11:00	FAFO Steering Committee Meeting (Plenary room)
11:00 – 12:30	FAFO Orientation Committee Meeting (Plenary room)
12:30 – 14:00	Free lunch hour
14:00 – 18:00	FAFO Orientation Committee Meeting (Plenary room)
9:00 – 12:30	Drafting of the Statement of the Special Session with pastoralists and livestock breeders by Special Session rapporteurs (breakout room)
14:00 - 16:00	Validation of the statement of the Special Session by Special Session participants (breakout room)

Sunday, 14 February 2016 (Hotel Barceló Aran Mantegna)

9:00 – 11:00	FAFO Orientation Committee meeting (plenary room)
11:00-12:30	Preparatory meeting of FOs delegations (plenary room and 2 breakout rooms)
12:30 – 14:00	Free lunch hour
14:00 – 16:30	Preparatory meetings of FOs delegations (plenary room and 2 outbreak rooms)
17:00 – 18:00	Information for all FOs delegates by the Orientation Committee (plenary room)
18:00 – 19:00	FAFO Steering Committee meeting (plenary room)

Main sessions of the Farmers' Forum

Monday, 15 February 2016

8:00 - 9:00	Registration (For those that did not register during the weekend at the Hotel).
9:00 - 10:30	Plenary Main Session / Italian Conference Room webcast <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Opening and Presentation of the agenda• Welcome address by the President of IFAD• Interventions by members of the Orientation Committee
10:30 - 11:00	Coffee break
11:00 - 12:30	Plenary session: Presentation and discussion of the <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Orientation Committee Autonomous Assessment• IFAD 2014/15 Partnership in progress Report
12:30-12:45	Presentation of the statement of the Special Session with Pastoralists and Livestock Breeders
12:45-13:00	Orientation for Thematic Working Groups
13:00 - 14:15	Lunch
14:15 - 16:30	4 Parallel thematic working group sessions: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Which markets work for smallholders? Learning from FOs and IFAD experiences in Connecting smallholders to markets <i>Italian Conference Room</i>• Smallholders and Climate Change: How to mainstream agro-ecological approaches for CC adaptation and mitigation <i>Oval Conference Room</i>• Working together to support and implement women and youth rights in agriculture development: Follow up of Special session on Women in Agriculture (2010) and Special session on Youth in Agriculture (2012) <i>Meeting Room C500</i>• Preparing the Farmers' Forum process for future challenges <i>Meeting Room C600</i>
16:30-17:00	Coffee Break
17:00 - 18:30	Meeting of all FOs Delegates on draft FAFO statement (Italian conference room)
18:30 - 20:00	Meeting of the Orientation Committee (Italian conference room)

Main sessions of the Farmers' Forum

Tuesday, 16 February 2016 (IFAD Italian and Oval Rooms)

8:30 - 10:30 **5 Parallel regional working group sessions:** operational partnership between IFAD and FOs at regional and country levels

Western and Central Africa Regional working group session
Italian Conference Room

Eastern and Southern Africa Regional working group session
Oval Conference Room

Near East and North Africa Regional working group session
Meeting room C400

Asia and the Pacific Regional working group session
Meeting Room C500

Latin America and the Caribbean Regional working group session
Meeting Room C600

10:30 - 11:00 Coffee break

11:00 - 12:30 **Plenary session / Italian Conference Room**

Reports of the thematic working groups of day 1 and preliminary findings from regional working groups of day 2

12:30 - 14:00 Lunch

14:00 - 15:30 **Plenary session / Italian Conference Room**

Continuation of the discussion on working groups reports
Discussion and finalisation of the FAFO statement

15:30-16:00 Coffee break

16:00 - 18:00 **Closing Plenary Session: / Italian Conference Room webcast**

Session open to representatives of IFAD Governing Bodies

Presentation of the FAFO Statement to be delivered at IFAD Governing Council

Reactions of IFAD management

Exchanges with representatives of IFAD Governing Bodies

Closure

19:30 **Farmers' Forum 10 Year Anniversary Dinner**

Bilateral Meetings

Wednesday, 17 February 2016 (IFAD HQ)

9:00 - 13:00	SFOAP/MTCP knowledge sharing event / <i>Meeting Room C 500</i>
9:00 - 10:30	Follow up on 2014 Special Session with Small Scale Fisheries / <i>Meeting Room C 600</i>
10:30 - 13:00	Regional Meeting (follow up of regional working group of 16 February) / <i>Meeting Room C 600</i>
13:00 - 14:00	Lunch
14:00 - 16:00	Regional Meeting (follow up of regional working group of 16 February) / <i>Meeting Room C 500</i> Regional Meeting (follow up of regional working group of 16 February) / <i>Meeting Room C600</i>
16:00 - 18:00	Regional Meeting (follow up of regional working group of 16 February) / <i>Meeting Room C 500</i> Regional Meeting (follow up of regional working group of 16 February) / <i>Meeting Room C600</i>

Wednesday 17 February entirely dedicated to bilateral meetings between the participants of the Farmers' Forum and IFAD Regional Divisions and exchange between regional programmes.

The participants in the Farmers' Forum can follow the IFAD Governing Council with observer status.

Side Events

Thursday, 18 February 2016 (IFAD Italian Conference Room)

9:00 - 10:45	<p><u>Side Event #1:</u> The experience of Italian Cooperatives and the development of partnerships with farmers' organizations. Organizer: Coopermondo, Fedagri-Alliance of Italian Cooperatives and IFAD/ <i>Italian Conference Room</i></p> <p><u>Side Event #2:</u> 2016 - A new scenario for Latin America and the Caribbean: risks and challenges for strengthening progress of distinct policies in family farming. Organizer: COPROFAM, Programa FIDA Mercosur, CLAEH and Corporación PBA / <i>Meeting Room C500</i></p> <p><u>Side Event #3:</u> to be confirmed / <i>Meeting Room C600</i></p>
11:00 - 12:00	Reading of the Farmers' Forum Statement to the Governing Council Plenary Session / <i>Governing Council Tent</i>
12:00 - 14:00	Lunch
14:00 - 15:30	<p><u>Side Event #4:</u> The International Year of Family Farming +10: Strengthening common action in favour of Family Farming after the IYFF. Organizer: WRF, AFA, COPROFAM, ROPPA / <i>Oval Conference Room</i></p> <p><u>Side Event #5:</u> Participatory Guarantee Systems (PGS) and its potential to facilitate market access, livelihood improvement and social capital. Organizer: INOFO / <i>Meeting Room C500</i></p> <p><u>Side Event #6</u> to be confirmed / <i>Meeting Room C600</i></p>
15:30 - 17:00	<p><u>Side Event #7</u> Back to the Future: Farmers re-envisaging the value and role of agricultural research for development and innovation. Organizer AFA and GFAR / <i>Oval Conference Room</i></p> <p><u>Side Event #8:</u> Economic activities of Farmers' organisations: recent initiatives, approaches for support, complementarities between national and local organisations. Organizer: AgriCord (Farmers Fighting Poverty) / <i>Meeting Room C500</i></p> <p><u>Side Event #9:</u> Purchase from Africans for Africa (PAA)/ <i>Meeting Room C600</i></p>
