

# **SUMMARY OF 2011 PROGRAMMES, PROJECTS AND GRANTS**

## **Programmes and projects**

### ***West and Central Africa***

#### **CENTRAL AFRICAN REPUBLIC: Project for Reviving Food Crops and Small Livestock Production in the Savannah**

This project is the first IFAD-financed intervention in the Central African Republic since the end of the civil war and follows more than ten years in which IFAD was not present in the country. It will help strengthen food security and raise the incomes of poor rural producers in the four subprefectures of the Savannah region that were most severely affected by the war. The project will adopt a two-phased approach – activities will start in three subprefectures and, when the security situation improves, will be extended to the fourth. It will build the capacity of producers' organizations to deliver services to their members effectively and sustainably, and increase the production and marketing of food crops and small animals.

**Loan amount:** SDR 3.5 million (approximately US\$5.4 million) on highly concessional terms

**Debt sustainability grant amount:** SDR 3.5 million (approximately US\$5.4 million)

**Total project cost:** estimated at US\$13.2 million, of which beneficiaries will provide US\$724,000 and national government US\$1.6 million

**Approximate reach:** 10,450 households

**Directly supervised by IFAD**

#### **CONGO: Agricultural Value Chains Development Programme (PADEF)**

The programme's objective is to improve food security and incomes of small-scale producers (farmers, livestock breeders and fishers) and to create sustainable employment for rural people, particularly women and young people. It will strengthen small-scale producers' access to appropriate agricultural and fishing technologies for production, processing, storage and conservation, and transparent markets for inputs and agricultural and fishing products. The programme will also support the capacity of peasant organizations and local authorities to provide services to their members and increase their participation in local development.

**Loan amount:** SDR 6.2 million (approximately US\$9.8 million) on highly concessional terms

**Total programme cost:** estimated at US\$17.4 million, of which cofinanciers will provide US\$533,000 and national government US\$7.0 million

**Approximate reach:** 15,000 households

**Directly supervised by IFAD**

### **CÔTE D'IVOIRE: Support to Agricultural Development and Marketing Project**

This project is designed to complement past and ongoing IFAD-financed projects – the Small Horticultural Producer Support Project and the Agricultural Rehabilitation and Poverty Reduction Project – within the same geographical area. Emphasis will be placed on rehabilitation, development and sustainability of productive infrastructure; post-harvest activities (storage, processing and marketing); and strengthening of the organizational, functional and economic capacity of producers' organizations.

**Debt sustainability grant amount:** SDR 14.5 million (approximately US\$22.5 million)

**Total project cost:** estimated at US\$29.0 million, of which beneficiaries will provide US\$1.1 million and national government US\$5.4 million

**Approximate reach:** 25,000 households

**Directly supervised by IFAD**

### **GHANA: Rural Enterprises Project**

This is the third phase of the Rural Enterprises Project and it is part of the Government of Ghana's efforts to improve the livelihoods and incomes of entrepreneurial poor people in rural areas. Work under the first phase started in 13 districts in 1995, and continued under a second phase in 66 districts in 2003. Now a nationwide programme, the third phase will scale up and mainstream district-based small business and microenterprise support systems within the private and public sectors. The programme will provide business development services through business advisory centres. It will set up facilities for training in technical skills and demonstrations of new and improved technologies. And it will also boost access to rural finance for small businesses and microenterprises through linkages with participating financial institutions.

**Loan amount:** SDR 19.7 million (approximately US\$31.5 million) on highly concessional terms

**Total programme cost:** estimated at US\$185.1 million, of which the African Development Bank will provide US\$70.0 million, beneficiaries US\$20.1 million and national government US\$63.5 million

**Approximate reach:** 68,000 households

**Directly supervised by IFAD**

### **LIBERIA: Smallholder Tree Crop Revitalization Support Project**

The project will be implemented in the county of Lofa. It will focus on poor smallholders relying on subsistence farming, households headed by women, young people, and the war-wounded and disabled. The project's main objectives will be to rehabilitate cocoa and coffee plantations, improve farm-to-market roads, and strengthen farmer-based organizations and Ministry of Agriculture extension services.

**Loan amount:** SDR 10.5 million (approximately US\$16.9 million) on highly concessional terms

**Total project cost:** estimated at US\$25.0 million, of which a private sector entity identified by the borrower and agreed by IFAD will provide US\$5.1 million, beneficiaries US\$923,000 and national government US\$2.0 million

**Approximate reach:** 15,000 households

**Directly supervised by IFAD**

### **MAURITANIA: Poverty Reduction Project in Aftout South and Karakoro – Phase II (PASK II)**

The key objective of PASK II will be to help build an economic and social fabric based on sustainable natural resource management that is inclusive of poor rural households, particularly women and young people. The project will focus on soil restoration, surface water mobilization and management; development of crop, livestock and natural resource management systems; and support for local development.

**Loan amount:** SDR 5.6 million (approximately US\$9.0 million) on highly concessional terms

**Debt sustainability grant amount:** SDR 5.6 million (approximately US\$9.0 million)

**Total project cost:** estimated at US\$38.4 million, of which the Least Developed Countries Fund will provide US\$3.5 million, additional financing of US\$9.5 million will be provided, beneficiaries US\$2.3 million and national government US\$5.2 million

**Approximate reach:** 21,000 households

**Directly supervised by IFAD**

### **NIGER: Food Security and Development Support Project in the Maradi Region (PASADEM)**

The project will be implemented in the central-south of the Maradi region. It will increase agricultural and pastoral household productivity through improved practices and technologies for producers; promote economic growth in rural markets to increase access to agricultural products; increase and diversify the incomes of women and undereducated young people; and improve eating habits to ensure better household nutritional security, especially for small children. The project will also strengthen producers' organizations such as cooperatives, farmers' groups and rural action groups, including village committees, Mata Masu Dubara women's groups and committees for management of community goods.

**Loan amount:** SDR 14.3 million (approximately US\$22.2 million) on highly concessional terms

**Total project cost:** estimated at US\$31.7 million, of which the World Food Programme will provide US\$2.7 million, beneficiaries US\$1.3 million and national government US\$5.6 million

**Approximate reach:** 65,000 households

**Directly supervised by IFAD**

### **SENEGAL: Support to Agricultural Development and Rural Entrepreneurship Programme**

The programme will strengthen the voice of small-scale producers and their organizations and augment their capacity to participate actively in developing value chains under a market-oriented approach to agriculture. Emphasis will be given to strengthening the capabilities of producers' organizations to increase their influence on development processes and progressively widen the range of services they can provide to their members through new and effective forms of partnerships.

**Loan amount:** SDR 20.2 million (approximately US\$32.3 million) on highly concessional terms

**Total programme cost:** estimated at US\$51.7 million, of which the Spanish Food Security Cofinancing Facility Trust Fund (Spanish Trust Fund) will provide €7.0 million (approximately US\$10.1 million), beneficiaries US\$620,000 and national government US\$8.7 million

**Approximate reach:** 50,000 households

**Directly supervised by IFAD**

### **SIERRA LEONE: Smallholder Commercialization Programme**

The two main objectives of this nationwide programme are to reduce the gap between national rice production and demand (70,000 metric tons) and to increase farm incomes by 10 per cent for smallholder farmers, women, young people and microentrepreneurs. It will achieve this through smallholder agricultural commercialization, small-scale irrigation development, and access to rural finance coordination and management.

**Global Agriculture and Food Security Program grant amount:** US\$50.0 million

**Total programme cost:** estimated at US\$56.4 million, of which beneficiaries will provide US\$1.9 million and national government US\$4.5 million

**Approximate reach:** 20,000 households

**Supervised but not financed by IFAD**

### ***East and Southern Africa***

#### **ETHIOPIA: Rural Financial Intermediation Programme II**

The programme will provide access to a range of financial services to rural households through support to a nationwide network of strong, vibrant and sustainable rural financial institutions geared towards engagement with the poor. Activities will include institutional development in the microfinance and cooperative subsectors, improved regulation and supervision of microfinance institutions, and provision of credit funds for microfinance institutions and rural savings and credit cooperatives.

**Loan amount:** SDR 31.3 million (approximately US\$50.0 million) on highly concessional terms

**Debt sustainability grant amount:** SDR 31.3 million (approximately US\$50.0 million)

**Total programme cost:** estimated at US\$248.0 million, of which commercial banks (to be determined) will provide US\$77.5 million, the Development Bank of Ethiopia US\$33.6 million, Rural Financial Intermediation Programme reflows US\$30.0 million, microfinance institutions US\$1.0 million and national government US\$5.9 million

**Approximate reach:** 6.9 million households

**Directly supervised by IFAD**

### **LESOTHO: Smallholder Agriculture Development Project**

The project area covers four of Lesotho's ten districts, namely Butha-Buthe, Leribe, Berea and Mafeteng. The project will support smallholder farmers to exploit opportunities to increase their productivity and diversify into market-oriented agriculture. It will focus on increasing agricultural market opportunities and market-oriented smallholder production, and identifying commercially viable activities that can be replicated and successfully scaled up.

**Loan amount:** SDR 3.2 million (approximately US\$5.0 million) on highly concessional terms

**Debt sustainability grant:** SDR 3.2 million (approximately US\$5.0 million)

**Total project cost:** estimated at US\$24.5 million, of which the International Development Association (IDA) will provide approximately US\$10.0 million, beneficiaries US\$980,000 and national government US\$3.5 million

**Approximate reach:** 15,000 households

**Jointly supervised by IDA and IFAD**

### **MALAWI: Sustainable Agricultural Production Programme (SAPP)**

The programme aims to create a viable and sustainable smallholder agricultural sector employing good agricultural practices. The SAPP will be geographically targeted and will concentrate on enhancing agricultural productivity using simple, affordable packages of improved agricultural practices suitable for smallholder adoption, to help bridge the considerable gap between actual and potential yields. It will also use a low-cost farmer-to-farmer extension approach supported by further adaptive research and knowledge management.

**Loan amount:** SDR 14.7 million (approximately US\$22.9 million) on highly concessional terms

**Debt sustainability grant amount:** SDR 14.3 million (approximately US\$22.9 million, including a Programme Preparatory Facility grant of US\$600,000)

**Total programme cost:** estimated at US\$51.1 million, of which beneficiaries will provide US\$1.2 million and national government US\$4.2 million

**Approximate reach:** 200,000 households

**Directly supervised by IFAD**

### **RWANDA: Project for Rural Income through Exports**

This nationwide project will assist smallholder producers – particularly households headed by women – in taking advantage of concrete income opportunities in pro-poor cash-crop value chains in partnership with private operators. It will mainly focus on the proven export crops of coffee and tea, the promising export crop of silk, and horticultural crops principally for local and regional markets.

**Loan amount:** SDR 11.6 million (approximately US\$18.7 million) on highly concessional terms

**Debt sustainability grant amount:** SDR 11.6 million (approximately US\$18.7 million)

**Total project cost:** estimated at US\$56.1 million, of which the private sector will provide US\$2.8 million, cofinanciers (to be determined) US\$10.3 million, beneficiaries US\$513,000 and national government US\$5.1 million

**Approximate reach:** 128,700 households

**Directly supervised by IFAD**

### **ZAMBIA: *Smallholder Productivity Promotion Programme***

The programme will complement the IFAD-supported Smallholder Agribusiness Promotion Programme approved in 2009 by enhancing the on-farm productivity of smallholder farmers, thus enabling them to respond to the emerging market opportunities and improve the food security and nutritional status of their families. Its main objective is to sustainably increase the production, productivity and sales of smallholder farmers.

**Loan amount:** SDR 15.5 million (approximately US\$24.8 million) on highly concessional terms

**Total programme cost:** estimated at US\$40.0 million, of which the Government of Finland will provide US\$7.0 million, beneficiaries US\$1.5 million, districts US\$400,000 and national government US\$6.1 million

**Approximate reach:** 60,000 households

**Directly supervised by IFAD**

## ***Asia and the Pacific***

### **BANGLADESH: *Haor Infrastructure and Livelihood Improvement Project***

The project aims to reduce poverty, improve living standards and reduce the vulnerability of poor people in the Haor basin. It will contribute to strengthening infrastructure and economic opportunities through improved road infrastructure, access to natural resources, technology and markets. The project will also promote increased fish yields and biodiversity in water bodies, and it will enhance the productivity of smallholder farms and reduce their vulnerability to adverse weather conditions.

**Loan amount:** SDR 34.5 million (approximately US\$55.0 million) on highly concessional terms

**Debt sustainability grant amount:** SDR 0.6 million (approximately US\$1.0 million)

**Total project cost:** estimated at US\$118.0 million, of which the Spanish Trust Fund will provide €21.4 million (approximately US\$30.0 million) and national government US\$32.0 million

**Approximate reach:** 688,000 households

**Directly supervised by IFAD**

### **CHINA: Guangxi Integrated Agricultural Development Project**

The project's objective is to increase the revenues of poor rural women and men through improved agricultural production. It will achieve this through community infrastructure development, agricultural production, and marketing support and rural environment improvement.

**Loan amount:** SDR 29.7 million (approximately US\$47.0 million) on ordinary terms

**Total project cost:** estimated at US\$96.8 million, of which beneficiaries will provide US\$3.4 million and national government US\$46.4 million

**Approximate reach:** 227,000 households

**Directly supervised by IFAD**

### **INDIA: Integrated Livelihoods Support Project**

The project will target small rural producers, women, scheduled caste households and young people living in the hill districts in the State of Uttarakhand. The project will adopt a two-pronged approach to building livelihoods. The first will be to improve technologies for the production of traditional food crops and livestock and develop supporting services for input supply and the marketing of any surpluses. To make food production more secure, the project will contribute to watershed development to conserve water and soil resources. It will also support the production of fodder and other non-timber forest products in community forest areas. The second thrust of the project will be to generate cash incomes via the introduction and expansion of cash crops.

**Loan amount:** SDR 56.7 million (approximately US\$89.9 million) on highly concessional terms

**Total project cost:** estimated at US\$258.8 million, of which other financial institutions will provide US\$109.9 million, beneficiaries US\$11.0 million and national government US\$48.0 million

**Approximate reach:** 143,400 households

**Directly supervised by IFAD**

### **INDONESIA: Smallholder Livelihood Development Project in Eastern Indonesia**

The project will improve the livelihoods of smallholder farmers engaged in tree and food crop production, woman-headed households, and poor indigenous and immigrant communities in five districts in Maluku and six in North Maluku, an area affected by conflict. It will achieve this through community empowerment, productivity improvement and integrated farming systems, value chain development and marketing, productive rural infrastructure investment, and institutional strengthening.

**Loan amount:** SDR 30.3 million (approximately US\$49.1 million) on intermediate terms

**Debt sustainability grant amount:** SDR 0.7 million (approximately US\$1.1 million)

**Total project cost:** estimated at US\$65.0 million, of which national government will provide US\$14.8 million

**Approximate reach:** 49,500 households

**Directly supervised by IFAD**

### **LAO PEOPLE'S DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC: Soum Son Seun Jai – Community-based Food Security and Economic Opportunities Programme**

The programme's objective is to ensure sustainable food security and income generation for poor rural people in the provinces of Sayabouly and Oudomxay. It will achieve this by improving and integrating farming systems through establishing farmers' organizations, introducing dry season crop options and better intercropping, as well as agroforestry and conservation practices, improving animal farming systems, and setting up efficient water harvesting and drinking water supply schemes. The programme will also improve access to markets and increase local value-added activities.

**Debt sustainability grant amount:** SDR 8.9 million (approximately US\$13.9 million)

**Total programme cost:** estimated at US\$19.3 million, of which World Food Programme will provide US\$3.7 million, German Agency for International Cooperation (GIZ) US\$430,000, beneficiaries US\$360,000 and national government US\$830,000

**Approximate reach:** 17,000 households

**Directly supervised by IFAD**

### **MONGOLIA: Project for Market and Pasture Management Development**

The target group of the project will be nomadic herders – including women – and households living in permanent settlements in *soums* (districts) and *aimags* (provinces). The project will assist in the development of value chains, pasture management and climate change adaptation. These activities will be largely implemented by herder groups with support and capacity-building from the project.

**Loan amount:** SDR 7.3 million (approximately US\$11.5 million) on highly concessional terms

**Total project cost:** estimated at US\$18.4 million, of which the Global Environment Facility/Special Climate Change Fund will provide US\$1.5 million, participating financial institutions US\$2.7 million, beneficiaries US\$1.8 million, and national government US\$900,000

**Approximate reach:** 10,000 households

**Directly supervised by IFAD**

### **PAKISTAN: Gwadar-Lasbela Livelihoods Support Project**

The project will increase the incomes and enhance the livelihoods of poor rural households and fisher communities in the Gwadar and Lasbela districts by improving physical infrastructure and marketing facilities, enhancing communities' access to capital, strengthening community and village organizations, and building capacity among the regulatory and support organizations.

**Loan amount:** SDR 18.6 million (approximately US\$30.0 million) on highly concessional terms

**Total project cost:** estimated at US\$35.3 million, of which beneficiaries will provide US\$500,000 and national government US\$4.7 million

**Approximate reach:** 20,000 households

**Directly supervised by IFAD**

### **SRI LANKA: Iranamadu Irrigation Development Project**

The project will promote infrastructure development and production and marketing in the Kilinochchi district. It will rehabilitate irrigation infrastructure, encourage farmers to manage water use and women to participate effectively in water and land management. The project will also help diversify and increase crop production, establish remunerative markets and ensure that sustainable farmers' organizations are in place to deliver irrigation services to farmers.

**Loan amount:** SDR 14.4 million (approximately US\$22.2 million) on highly concessional terms

**Total project cost:** estimated at US\$29.3 million, of which private companies will provide US\$1.2 million, beneficiaries US\$2.7 million and national government US\$3.2 million

**Approximate reach:** 7,000 households

**Directly supervised by IFAD**

### **TAJKISTAN: Livestock and Pasture Development Project**

The aim of this project is to increase the nutritional status and incomes of poor households by sustainably enhancing livestock productivity. It will work in selected districts of the Khatlon Oblast, which is one of the poorest regions of the country. The project will contribute to strengthening institutional development, livestock and pasture development, and income generation for women.

**Debt sustainability grant amount:** SDR 9.3 million (approximately US\$14.6 million)

**Total project cost:** estimated at US\$19.2 million, of which additional funding of US\$3.4 million will be sought, beneficiaries will provide US\$800,000 and national government US\$400,000

**Approximate reach:** 22,400 households

**Directly supervised by IFAD**

### **TIMOR-LESTE: Timor-Leste Maize Storage Project**

The project's goal is to improve food security for maize-growing households through the reduction of losses of maize stored on-farm by purchasing and/or manufacturing maize storage drums and distributing them to recipient households. This improvement in household food security is expected initially to increase on-farm supplies of maize after harvest and then reduce the length of the hunger season.

**Debt sustainability grant amount:** SDR 3.2 million (approximately US\$4.9 million)

**Total project cost:** estimated at US\$5.6 million, of which beneficiaries will provide US\$480,000, and national government US\$160,000

**Approximate reach:** 23,000 households

**Directly supervised by IFAD**

## ***Latin America and the Caribbean***

### **ARGENTINA: Inclusive Rural Development Programme (PRODERI)**

This nationwide programme will strengthen rural farmers' organizations and provide guarantees of equal access for vulnerable population groups, particularly indigenous peoples, young people, women and casual workers. It will achieve this by building up production capacities, diversification and market insertion,

promoting technological innovation for adaptation to climate change, and strengthening organizations in financial management and implementation of business plans and support for vulnerable groups.

**Loan amount:** SDR 5.0 million (approximately US\$7.8 million) on ordinary terms

**Total programme cost:** estimated at US\$149.5 million, of which the Spanish Trust Fund will provide €35.7 million (approximately US\$50.0 million), beneficiaries US\$33.8 million and national government US\$58.0 million

**Approximate reach:** 37,520 households

**Directly supervised by IFAD**

### **PLURINATIONAL STATE OF BOLIVIA: Economic Inclusion Programme for Families and Rural Communities in the Territory of the Plurinational State of Bolivia (ACCESOS)**

The focus of the programme will be to strengthen community-based, territorial-level capacities to manage land, water and other natural resources. It will help restore terraces and promote agreements on regulations applicable to natural resource use and conservation. It will also facilitate development of self-organized, community-based enterprises. These enterprises will promote market access for agricultural products through producer networks and value chains, and will include alternative activities to generate rural non-farm employment. To help manage the risks associated with this process, the programme will promote broad-based access to financial services, including savings, credit and diverse forms of insurance.

**Loan amount:** SDR 11.6 million (approximately US\$18.0 million) on intermediate terms

**Total programme cost:** estimated at US\$45.6 million, of which the Spanish Trust Fund will provide €11.2 million (approximately US\$15.0 million), beneficiaries US\$5.8 million and national government US\$6.8 million

**Approximate reach:** 32,000 households

**Directly supervised by IFAD**

### **ECUADOR: Buen Vivir in Rural Territories Programme**

This programme will improve the food security of rural households that are largely dependent on small-scale agriculture and related activities for their livelihoods and, consequently, are vulnerable to the effects of climate change. It will support the systematization of traditional knowledge related to ethno-agroecology, water management and other technologies, and promote business plans through the territorial initiatives investment fund. Training in sustainable production methods will be provided for training promoters and technical personnel.

**Loan amount:** SDR 10.8 million (approximately US\$17.3 million) on ordinary terms

**Total programme cost:** estimated at US\$62.9 million, of which the Spanish Trust Fund will provide €10.7 million (approximately US\$15.0 million), local financial institutions US\$10.3 million, decentralized autonomous governments US\$3.3 million, other cooperating partners US\$4.0 million, beneficiaries US\$5.9 million and national government US\$7.0 million

**Approximate reach:** 25,000 households

**Directly supervised by IFAD**

### **HONDURAS: Northern Horizons – Competitiveness and Sustainable Rural Development Project in the Northern Zone**

The project will be executed in 27 municipalities with high rates of rural poverty in the departments of Atlántida, Cortés and Santa Barbara. It will promote and strengthen productive organizations, incorporate vulnerable groups into competitive production, create social infrastructure, develop agribusinesses and rural microenterprises, reduce food insecurity and environmental vulnerability, organize and capitalize rural financial services, and construct or improve rural access roads.

**Loan amount:** SDR 5.5 million (approximately US\$8.7 million) on highly concessional terms

**Total project cost:** estimated at US\$21.0 million, of which cofinanciers (to be determined) will provide US\$8.0 million, beneficiaries US\$2.1 million and national government US\$2.1 million

**Approximate reach:** 24,000 households

**Directly supervised by IFAD**

### ***Near East, North Africa and Europe***

#### **AZERBAIJAN: Integrated Rural Development Project**

The goal of the project is to reduce rural poverty in the regions of Agdash, Yevlakh, Sheki and Oghuz through increased food security and enhanced income-raising opportunities. It will assist poor rural people in improving their skills to use available natural resources effectively and efficiently to achieve sustainable productivity and profitability for crop and livestock husbandry. It will also improve the incomes of women and men producers through better farm management and access to credit.

**Loan amount:** SDR 12.3 million (approximately US\$19.4 million) on hardened terms

**Total project cost:** estimated at US\$103.5 million, of which the Islamic Development Bank will provide US\$66.4 million, non-bank financial institutions US\$2.2 million, beneficiaries US\$2.4 million and national government US\$13.1 million

**Approximate reach:** 52,600 households

**Directly supervised by IFAD**

#### **BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA: Rural Business Development Project**

The project will help subsistence farmers make the transition to commercial farming and support development of the non-farm enterprise sector for rural employment generation. It will achieve this by organizing smallholder farmers and providing them with technical and business skills, together with market access and financial services, which can help orient them towards commercial production, make them more competitive, and lead to an increase in income and employment in rural areas.

**Loan amount:** SDR 8.1 million (approximately US\$12.7 million) on hardened terms

**Grant amount:** SDR 500,000 (approximately US\$780,000)

**Total project cost:** estimated at US\$30.2 million, of which the OPEC Fund for International Development will provide US\$5.4 million, participating financial institutions US\$1.8 million, beneficiaries US\$2.7 million and national government US\$6.8 million

**Approximate reach:** 20,000 households

**Directly supervised by IFAD**

### **EGYPT: Promotion of Rural Incomes through Market Enhancement Project**

The project will increase the incomes of rural households by integrating them into the agriculture value chain. It will achieve this by increasing farmers' ability to obtain better and more stabilized farm-gate prices for their products. The project will organize and strengthen farmers' groups and associations; provide training in farming as a business and crop budgeting to improve farmer capacity to read market signals; facilitate value chain linkages between smallholder farmers and market intermediaries; and provide demand-driven extension advice and technical assistance for the introduction of new production technologies to enhance yields, reduce losses and increase market volume. The project will also support participatory development of a range of appropriate loan products along the agriculture value chain.

**Loan amount:** SDR 44.1 million (approximately US\$70.0 million) on intermediate terms

**Grant amount:** SDR 630,000 (approximately US\$1.0 million)

**Total project cost:** estimated at US\$108.2 million, of which the Agricultural Research and Development Fund will provide US\$10.9 million, Social Fund for Development US\$1.0 million, beneficiaries US\$17.7 million and national government US\$7.6 million

**Approximate reach:** 50,000 households

**Directly supervised by IFAD**

### **MOROCCO: Agricultural Value Chain Development Project in the Mountain Zones of Al-Haouz Province**

The project will seek to capitalize on the gains made under the IFAD-supported intervention through the Rural Development Project in the Mountain Zones of Al-Haouz Province, focusing its activities on the development of three value chains (olive, apple, lamb meat). These value chains are deemed the most promising for sustainable growth in the incomes of the target groups – smallholder farmers and livestock producers, and poor rural women, men and young people.

**Loan amount:** SDR 4.1 million (approximately US\$6.4 million) on ordinary terms

**Grant amount:** SDR 90,000 (approximately US\$140,000)

**Total project cost:** estimated at US\$9.1 million, of which the National Sheep and Goat Association will provide US\$160,000, beneficiaries US\$120,000 and national government US\$2.3 million

**Approximate reach:** 6,600 households

**Directly supervised by IFAD**

### **SUDAN: Seed Development Project**

This project will improve the food security, incomes and resilience to shocks of smallholder producers in rainfed areas of North and South Kordofan. It will increase agricultural productivity, production and farm incomes through the use of improved varieties and quality certified seeds, combined with improved soil and water conservation practices. The establishment of a participatory and well-organized all-class seed production and multiplication system, accompanied by a private-sector-driven processing, marketing and distribution system, will provide a sound foundation for future expansion of the seed industry in the country.

**Debt sustainability grant amount:** SDR 6.4 million (approximately US\$10.1 million)

**Total project cost:** estimated at US\$17.5 million, of which beneficiaries will provide US\$4.0 million and national government US\$3.4 million

**Approximate reach:** 220,000 households

**Directly supervised by IFAD**

### **YEMEN: YemenInvest – Rural Employment Programme**

This nationwide programme will create sustainable and diversified employment opportunities for unemployed and underemployed women and men in rural communities living below the poverty line. The programme is expected to create about 28,670 full-time sustainable jobs in some 12,480 enterprises by investing in two non-farm value chains, natural stone and textiles, as well as agricultural and off-farm sectors selected on the basis of comparative advantage, market demand and growth, and job creation potential.

**Debt sustainability grant amount:** SDR 5.7 million (approximately US\$9.1 million)

**Total programme cost:** estimated at US\$48.2 million, of which cofinanciers (to be confirmed) will provide US\$21.3 million, participating financial institutions US\$6.2 million, private investors US\$6.9 million, Economic Opportunities Fund US\$2.8 million, beneficiaries US\$950,000 and national government US\$940,000

**Approximate reach:** 108,000 households

**Directly supervised by IFAD**

## **Grants**

Since 1978, IFAD has committed about US\$800.0 million in grants (Table 12) to support agricultural research. These grants aid innovative projects that help poor farmers and build the capacities of partner institutions, including community-based and non-governmental organizations. Some IFAD grant proposals are country-specific, while others are regional or even global, depending on the nature of the innovation.

In 2011, we approved grants worth a total of US\$50.4 million. This consisted of US\$41.7 million for global and regional grants and US\$8.7 million for grants in specific countries, including US\$1.5 million for small grants under the debt sustainability framework. Our grants have supported research on a wide range of themes, including sustainable use and conservation of biodiversity for improved food security and resilience to climate change, gender mainstreaming, inclusive value chains, pro-poor policy advocacy and knowledge-sharing, and crops that are important to poor rural people's livelihoods.

Farmers and poor rural people participate in the agricultural research projects we support. They are typically located in marginal areas and adverse agroecological zones. Through these grants, we have developed strategic partnerships with CGIAR centres (see page 44), as well as with other United Nations agencies, farmers' organizations, NGOs and civil society groups. International and regional institutions that perform agricultural research for development and focus on the needs of poor rural people continue to be prominent recipients.

The results of the grant programme are captured in progress and completion reports and in technical advisory notes. So far, 87 technical advisory notes are available. These are shared through IFAD's regional electronic networks and grant recipients' dissemination channels.

This year, new Procedures for Financing from the Grants Programme were presented to the Executive Board at its May session. These procedures cover the allocation of grant resources; design, review and approval of grant proposals; implementation and supervision; completion and evaluation; and knowledge management.

### ***Summary of large grants***

Grants over US\$500,000 that are not connected with loan programmes and projects and were approved by the Executive Board during the year, are summarized below.

#### **African Rural and Agricultural Credit Association: Rural Finance Knowledge Management Partnership (KMP) – Phase III (US\$1,500,000)**

The partnership will raise incomes and standards of living among poor rural communities in East and Southern Africa by improving their access to affordable, appropriate and sustainable financial products and services.

#### **Centro Latinoamericano de Economía Humana: Public Policy Dialogue on Family Farming and Food Security in the Southern Cone of Latin America (US\$1,800,000)**

This initiative will help to improve the livelihoods of family farmers through adoption of effective policy measures and instruments that take into account their conditions and aspirations.

#### **Eastern Africa Farmers' Federation: Strengthening Capacity of East African Farmers' Organizations through Knowledge Management and Institutional Development (US\$1,500,000)**

This initiative will work to improve the capacity of national farmers' organizations to mobilize, retain and represent farmers, and to provide services to their members.

#### **Ethical and Environmental Certification Institute: Programme for Strengthening Smallholders' Access to Markets for Certified Sustainable Products (US\$800,000)**

This programme will help poor rural producers to use sustainable certification programmes to improve their economic and environmental situation.

**Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations: 'Leading the Field' Initiative of the International Treaty on Plant Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture (US\$1,500,000)**

This initiative will assist farmers in adapting to climate change by supporting conservation and sustainable use of plant genetic resources for food and agriculture.

**Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations: Pro-Poor Policy Approaches to Address Risk and Vulnerability at the Country Level (US\$1,500,000)**

Working in Cambodia, the Lao People's Democratic Republic, Nepal and Viet Nam, this programme will improve institutional capacity to develop pro-poor policies for managing the risks and vulnerability faced by smallholder and marginal farmers. The focus will be on risks posed by price volatility and climate change.

**Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations: Drought Recovery and Smallholder Adaptation Programme in Djibouti and Somalia (US\$1,300,000)**

Working with about 4,000 drought-affected households, this programme will help to increase access to water, agricultural inputs, fodder and post-harvest storage facilities to improve food and nutrition security and restore livelihoods.

**International Bank for Reconstruction and Development and International Development Association: Developing Inclusive Financial Systems for Improved Access to Financial Services in Rural Areas (US\$1,500,000)**

This programme will open access to a wide range of sustainable rural financial services for poor rural women and men. Building stronger partners will improve IFAD's operational effectiveness and impact.

**International Center for Tropical Agriculture: Improved Forage-based Livestock Feeding Systems for Smallholder Livelihoods in the Cambodia-Laos-Viet Nam Development Triangle (US\$1,500,000)**

This programme will work to increase the productivity of smallholder crop and livestock systems and engagement with markets among marginalized and poor smallholder farmers.

**International Food Policy Research Institute: Decreasing Vulnerability to Conflict in the Middle East and North Africa through Rural Development (US\$1,000,000)**

This programme will make recommendations on how policies, investments and, in particular, IFAD-financed rural development programmes can improve resilience to conflict among households and communities.

**International Land Coalition: Catalysing Commitment to Pro-Poor Land Governance (US\$1,000,000)**

The goal is to enable poor women and men to achieve secure and equitable access to, and control over, land to enable them to increase their food security and overcome poverty and vulnerability.

**International Livestock Research Institute: Enhancing Dairy-based Livelihoods in India and the United Republic of Tanzania through Feed Innovation and Value Chain Development Approaches (US\$1,000,000)**

The programme will contribute to improving dairy-based livelihoods by strengthening value chains and innovation to improve feeding strategies.

**International Maize and Wheat Improvement Center: Understanding the Adoption and Application of Conservation Agriculture in Southern Africa (US\$750,000)**

This initiative will improve food security and livelihoods among smallholder farm households while conserving the natural resources used in agriculture.

**International Water Management Institute: Safe Nutrient, Water and Energy Recovery – Developing a Business Case (US\$650,000)**

This initiative will provide producers and consumers with the best business case options in recovering nutrients, water and energy from agricultural and domestic waste for food security and safety.

**International Water Management Institute: Disseminating Challenge Program on Water and Food Innovations and Adoption Processes for Water and Food, and Piloting their Mainstreaming in the IFAD Portfolio (US\$1,000,000)**

This initiative will improve the food security and livelihoods of poor rural communities by enhancing water management, which will increase production per unit of land, water and labour.

**MADRE Inc., Mainyoto Pastoralists Integrated Development Organization and Tebtebba Foundation: Indigenous Peoples Assistance Facility (US\$1,450,000)**

Indigenous peoples' communities and organizations will be aided to drive their own development by enabling them to design and implement projects compatible with their identity and culture.

**Microfinance Information Exchange, Inc.: Improving Performance Monitoring and Effectiveness in Rural Finance (US\$1,200,000)**

The programme will contribute to construction of a financial system that meets the needs of poor rural people by supporting the growth of healthy microfinance markets and microfinance service providers.

**Nacional Financiera, Trustee of the Trust Fund for Biodiversity: Programme to Strengthen Community-based Management in Support of the REDD+ Strategy in Mesoamerica (PROFORCO) (US\$1,200,000)**

This initiative will work to strengthen the management capacities of the indigenous *ejidos* (communal farms) and communities in five southern Mexican states and in indigenous territories of Guatemala and Panama.

**Oxfam Italia: Renewable Energy Technologies in Albania, and Bosnia and Herzegovina (US\$1,200,000)**

This grant will improve the livelihoods of rural communities through adoption of renewable energy technologies. It will work to reduce energy consumption and promote clean energy policies and programmes nationally and locally.

**Oxfam Novib: Community-led Value Chain Development for Gender Justice and Pro-Poor Wealth Creation (US\$1,400,000)**

This initiative aims to create wealth among poor people and upgrade value chains in Nigeria, Rwanda and Uganda. It will work to empower women and men from the poorest and most vulnerable households and to establish equitable, participatory processes for economic decision-making at all levels.

**PICO Knowledge Net Ltd.: IFAD Africa Regional Knowledge Network – Phase II (US\$1,800,000)**

This initiative will work to improve the results of IFAD-supported projects in East and Southern Africa. Building onto IFAD-financed projects and related government

departments, the programme aims to capture knowledge, experiences and lessons from practice, and use them to improve performance.

**Regional Programme for Rural Development Training (PROCASUR): Strengthening Knowledge-sharing on Innovative Solutions Using the Learning Routes Methodology in Asia and the Pacific (US\$1,000,000)**

This programme will increase people's capacity to adopt and scale up best practices and innovations for poverty reduction.

**Regional Programme for Rural Development Training (PROCASUR): Promoting Young People's Entrepreneurship in Poor Rural Territories in Latin America and the Caribbean (US\$2,000,000)**

Young rural women and men will be helped to improve their access to development initiatives relevant to their livelihood strategies.

**University of Kassel-WATERCOPE: Supporting National Research Capacity and Policy Development to Cope with Dwindling Water Resources and Intensifying Land Use in the Transborder Altay-Dzungarian Region of Mongolia and China (US\$1,485,000)**

The programme will strengthen local herders' and farmers' groups and improve national research capabilities and policies. The ultimate objective is to increase the incomes and food security of approximately 50,000 poor, ethnic-minority households.

**World Agroforestry Centre: Programme for the Development of Alternative Biofuel Crops (US\$2,500,000)**

This programme will finance coordinated research for the development of non-food or multiple-use biofuel crops along the entire value chain. The goal is for the crops developed to match or exceed the productivity of cereal/food-based biofuel crops.

Table 12  
**Summary of grant financing, 2007-2011**  
(Amounts in US\$ million)<sup>a</sup>

		2007	%	2008	%	2009	%	2010	%	2011	%	2007-2011	%
<b>Global/regional grants</b>													
	Amount	25.3	70.9	32.0	78.7	35.7	75.8	37.1	72.5	41.7	82.9	171.8	76.4
	Number of grants	43		46		70		54		68		281	
<b>Country-specific grants</b>													
<i>Stand-alone</i>	Amount	5	14.0	4.2	10.3	3.6	7.7	4.5	8.8	2.6	5.2	19.9	8.8
	Number of grants	19		13		16		16		5		69	
<i>Loan component</i>	Amount	3.9	10.9	4.3	10.7	6.6	14.2	6.0	11.7	4.6	9.1	25.4	11.3
	Number of grants	10		10		7		10		6		43	
<b>Total country-specific</b>	Amount	8.9	24.9	8.5	21.0	10.2	21.9	10.4	20.3	7.2	14.3	45.2	20.1
	Number of grants	29		23		23		26		11		112	
<b>Other DSF grants</b>													
	Amount	1.5	4.2	0.2	0.4	1.1	2.4	3.7	7.2	1.5	3.0	8	3.6
	Number of grants	5		1		6		8		4		24	
<b>Total all windows</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>35.7</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>40.7</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>47.0</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>51.2</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>50.4</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>225.0</b>	<b>100</b>
	<b>Number of grants</b>	<b>77</b>		<b>70</b>		<b>99</b>		<b>88</b>		<b>83</b>		<b>417</b>	

Source: Loans and Grants System and Grants Secretariat, Technical Advisory Division, Project and Portfolio Management System.

<sup>a</sup> Any discrepancy in totals is the result of rounding.