



# THE QATAR-IFAD PARTNERSHIP



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## ABOUT IFAD

An international financial institution and a United Nations specialized agency, IFAD is dedicated to eradicating rural poverty and hunger in developing countries. The Fund is one of the largest sources of financing for agriculture and rural development in the world's poorest countries.

**Total IFAD loans and grants\***  
US\$24.6 billion

**Total domestic contributions**  
US\$20.3 billion

**Total cofinancing**  
US\$15.1 billion

**Total programme and project cost**  
**US\$60 billion** (1978-2022)

\*Includes Debt Sustainability Framework grants but excludes other grants and some special initiatives

The State of Qatar played a major role in the establishment of IFAD in 1977 and has been a key supporter of IFAD for the past 46 years. IFAD has served as a channel for Qatar and other Gulf countries to direct resources to support the agriculture of developing countries. IFAD has also provided a platform for shaping the global food security agenda, in which the Gulf countries have played a key role.

IFAD attaches importance to strengthening its partnership and collaboration with the Qatar Fund for Development and other Arab and regional funds, not only in their capacity as cofinancers of its projects or cooperating institutions but also as partners in knowledge management, policy dialogue with governments and potential replication of successful innovations. In addition, IFAD has consolidated its cooperation with Qatar through capacity-building and training of Qatar nationals.

There are opportunities for IFAD and Qatar to deepen their partnership as both have an interest in achieving inclusive and sustainable growth in developing countries and ensuring that they are able to benefit from social, economic and environmental gains. To this end, in March 2023, Qatar hosted the second part of the Fifth United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries (LDC5) – From Potential to Prosperity – which focused on providing international support to accelerate sustainable development.

## QATAR'S TOTAL CONTRIBUTIONS AND VOTING POWER

### CONTRIBUTIONS

TOTAL: **US\$39.98 million**  
in core resources

### SUPPLEMENTARY FUNDS

**US\$500,000**  
to ASAP+

### VOTES

PERCENTAGE OF TOTAL: **0.46%**

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### PARTICIPATION IN IFAD'S GOVERNING BODIES

Alternate Member of the Executive Board,  
Consultation on the Thirteenth  
Replenishment of IFAD Resources

# IN 2021, IFAD'S US\$8 BILLION ONGOING PORTFOLIO REACHED ABOUT 100 MILLION OF THE WORLD'S POOREST AND MOST MARGINALIZED RURAL PEOPLE TO BUILD THEIR RESILIENCE TO SHOCKS AND IMPROVE THEIR LIVELIHOODS

## TACKLING POVERTY AND HUNGER TOGETHER

Every US\$1 spent on resilience now saves up to US\$10 in emergency aid in the future and can avert hardship for millions of people the world over. Through the support of Qatar, IFAD provides long-term concessional financing for inclusive and sustainable agricultural and rural development so that rural women and men can move out of poverty and hunger.

## ADDRESSING CLIMATE CHANGE AND ITS IMPACTS

Tackling climate change and mitigating its impact on populations is a main priority of the Qatar-IFAD partnership. Indeed, it is now essential to invest in building the climate resilience of countries with fragile situations. In December 2020, Qatar contributed US\$0.5 million to the Enhanced Adaptation for Smallholder Agriculture Programme (ASAP+), which is IFAD's flagship programme for channelling climate finance to small-scale producers. The initial focus of the programme is on the intersection between climate, conflict and fragility. ASAP+ also seeks to address the climate change drivers of food insecurity and boost the resilience of small-scale producers.



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