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# The Farmers' Forum

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## Regional Grant Programs supporting FOs Lessons learned from 10 years-experience of SFOAP/MTCP2 and start-up of FO4ACP and APFP - FOALA

**Side Event organized by PAFO and its members, AFA-LVC consortium, PIFON, COPROFAM, Agricord, FAO Caribbean**

*Monday 10 February 2020, morning h9 – 10.30  
IFAD HQ, Italian Room*

### Introduction

In 2019, two major direct grants to FOs regional programs have been completed after 10 years of positive experience in support to institutional, organizational and advocacy capacity building to regional and national FO networks, as well as support to economic services provision of sub-national FOs in these networks: SFOAP and MTCP.

The remarkable results of the SFOAP and MTCP confirmed the strategic relevance of the regional programs supporting FOs.

The design of FO4ACP (Africa, Caribbean and Pacific) and APFP- FO-ALA (Asia and Latin America) is the result of the joint effort and consultations among all stakeholders and is based on the experience and results of the Farmers' Fighting Poverty (FFP)/Africa, SFOAP and MTCP2.

The new programmes FO4ACP and APFP- FO-ALA are co-funded by EU-ACP and IFAD.

### Focus of the Side event

The purpose of the side event is (i) to showcase main achievements and key impacts of the regional grants following completion (SFOAP and MTCP); (ii) to exchange best practices and innovations from the various regions of Africa, Asia, Pacific and Latin America in implementing those regional programs; (iii) to draw key lessons learned from the implementation of these programs in order to further improve efficiency and relevance of IFAD-supported FO-Grants in the future programs and strengthen the partnership FOs-IFAD and (iv) to present the main priorities of the new programs FO4ACP and APFP-FOALA.

## Agenda

Facilitator: Lavinia Kaumaitotoya (PIFON)

Time	Topic	Spokespeople
10 opening	<b>Opening message</b>  <b>The regional programmes supporting FOs</b>	Monsieur Cissokho
30 minutes (15 SFOAP /15 MTCP)	<b>Introduction on SFOAP and MTCP: main elements main results</b>  1) Concrete examples and best practices, including examples of successful collaboration with agri-agencies 2) Results (data and concrete experiences) - evidence provided directly by NFO representatives (if possible).	PAFO (and members) and AFA
15 minutes	<b>Donors interventions/contribution</b>	EC – ACP (SDC-AFD if available)
25 minutes	<b>New programmes: FO4ACP and FO-ALA</b>  1) Main priorities – field of interventions (specific examples in particular on innovation – economic services – business plans etc.) – 2) Focus on the different regions: Africa (PAFO and its members) - Caribbean (AgriCord and FAO) – Pacific (PIFON) – Asia (AFA) – Latin America (AgriCord COPROFAM) 3) Collaboration FOs - AgriAgencies	PAFO and members (FO4ACP) PIFON AgriCord FAO/Procasur and CLAC for Caribbean AFA (APFP-FOALA)
10 minutes	<b>Q&amp;A</b>	

## Speakers

Opening Monsieur Mamadou Cissokho

PAFO:

- Ms Fatma Ben Rejeb

AFA:

- Ms Lany Rebagay
- Ms Estrella Penunia

AgriCord:

- Africa: Ousmane Ndiaye from agri-agency Asprodeb
- Asia: Marlene Ramirez from agri-agency AsiaDHRRA
- Latin America: Felipe Alessio from agri-agency Infocos
- Caribbean: Stefaan Bonte from AgriCord

FAO:

- Mr Pedro Boareto – FAO Regional Office

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