

Information note to participants

Rural inequalities: evaluating approaches to overcome disparities

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Introduction

The International Conference on “Rural inequalities: evaluating approaches to overcome disparities” will take place in Rome, Italy, from 2-3 May 2018. This information note covers the Conference sessions that will take place at the Headquarters of the International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD) from 2-3 May 2018. Participation at the Conference, is by invitation only.

The plenary and breakout sessions can be followed on the public webcast at:

webcasting.ifad.org/rural_inequalities.

Further information can be found on the Conference website:

www.ifad.org/web/ioe/event/asset/39823314

Meeting venue and security

Where

The conference will be held in the Italian Conference Room (basement floor -1) at IFAD headquarters, Via Paolo di Dono 44 (EUR), Rome, Italy.

To obtain a building pass

At the main entrance on Via Paolo di Dono 44, go through the security check point. A valid identity document will be required (e.g. passport). Strict security measures will be implemented at the entrance to IFAD. Metal detectors and x-ray machines for baggage scanning will be in operation at the entrance.

To ensure the safety of all participants, building passes must be displayed at all times in the building. Under no circumstance should your building pass be used by another participant. Participants are reminded to never leave briefcases or any valuable items unattended at the meeting sites. Lost badges should be reported to the IFAD security check point at the main entrance, or send an email to security @ ifad.org as soon as possible.

Organization of the Conference

Registration and accreditation at the Conference

All participants of the Conference are kindly requested to register immediately upon arrival at IFAD, in the registration area located in the lobby.

Registration will begin on Wednesday, 2 May 2018, from 8.00 to 17.00 and will continue on Thursday, 3 May 2018, from 8.00 until the end of the Conference.

Journalists are requested to send an email to Ms Yolanda Polo at y.polotejedor@ifad.org to obtain an accreditation form.

The conference will have plenary and breakout sessions. The Plenary will be held at the Italian Conference Room (-1 Level).

The rooms for breakout sessions will be announced during the Conference.

Social media

The International Conference is an interactive event, the outreach of which will be supported by a number of social media components.

Participants are encouraged to share their ideas, views and insights via social media channels using the following hashtag: #EvaInequalities.

IFAD will use the following channels to report on the Conference:

 www.youtube.com/IFADevaluation

 twitter.com/IFADeval

 www.facebook.com/ifad

Webcasting

Plenary and breakout sessions will be webcast at: webcasting.ifad.org/rural_inequalities.

Those who wish to follow the proceedings from the webcast and wish to interact with the prominent guests and panelists, may do so through the above social media channels and via the integrated chat in the webcast page.

Reception

2 May: Following the afternoon session, a reception will be hosted for all participants by the Independent Office of Evaluation (IOE) at IFAD headquarters.

Contact information of IOE focal points

For further information, please visit www.ifad.org/web/ioe/event/asset/39823314.

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Transport information

Airports

The two main airports in Rome are Fiumicino Airport (also called Leonardo da Vinci Airport, 36 km west of Rome, where most international flights land) and Ciampino Airport (16 km southeast of Rome, used primarily for charter flights from within Europe).

For more information about Rome's airports, see <http://www.adr.it>.

Traveling from Fiumicino Airport to Rome City Centre

- **Taxis**

From Fiumicino Airport, there is a fixed rate of €48 (baggage included) to all destinations in central Rome, for a maximum of four passengers. The fixed rate also applies for journeys from the centre to Fiumicino Airport.

City of Rome taxis are white and can be recognized by the sign "TAXI" on the car top and by the identifying license number on the doors, on the back and inside the car. Any other vehicle at the airport exit or people inside the airport offering rides are likely to be driven by people without a regular taxi authorization and the fee could be higher or different from the set fee.

- **Airport trains**

Direct train: Leonardo Express. The Leonardo Express is a non-stop train service from Fiumicino Airport to Termini Station (the main

train and subway station in the centre of Rome). The train departs from platforms 23/24 in Termini Station. The travel time from the airport to Termini is approximately 32 minutes. Cost: €14.00.

- From Fiumicino Airport to Termini Station - every 30 minutes: from 6:23 to 23:23.
- From Termini Station to Fiumicino Airport - every 30 minutes from 5:35 to 22:35.

Trains from Fiumicino to IFAD. From Fiumicino Airport, other trains travel near IFAD: Roma Tiburtina; Fara Sabina; PoggioMirteto; and Orte. These trains stop at every station and the journey will take approximately 28 minutes. Tickets cost €8. When taking these trains, get off at Roma Ostiense station and then take metro Line B (direction Laurentina) get off at Laurentina, which is the last station, and take the shuttle bus service to IFAD (see the map on page 4).

- **Airport bus**

There are a number of bus lines connecting Fiumicino airport to the city centre. The journey takes 45-55 minutes depending on the coach service.

Terravision Shuttle. Coach to Termini Station. One way €6, round trip €11. Reduced fares if booked online in advance. For more information: www.terravision.eu/airport_transfer/bus-fiumicino-airport-rome

Tirreno Azienda Mobilità (TAM). Coach to Ostiense Station/Termini Station. One way fare €6. For more information see: www.tambus.it.

Traveling from Ciampino Airport to Rome City Centre

Ciampino Airport is very small and serves various low cost airlines, including Ryanair and Wizzair. Some other low cost carriers like Easyjet have now moved to the Leonardo da Vinci – Fiumicino Airport.

- **Bus**

There are several bus companies that connect Ciampino Airport to the city centre. The journey takes approximately 40 minutes.

SITBusShuttle: It gets to 5 Via Marsala (next to Termini station). The price is 6 € for a one-way ticket or 8 € for a roundtrip. They leave the airport between 7:45 am and 11:15 pm. From Rome, the first bus leaves at 4:30 am.

Terravision Shuttle: The first bus leaves the airport at 8:15 am and the last departs at 12:15 (midnight). The first bus to leave from Termini (29 via Marsala) to the airport is at 4:30 am.

If you buy the ticket online before you get to Rome or a few days before going back home, you can find tickets for just 4 €. If you purchase a one-way journey from Termini station it will cost 6 €.

- Taxi

Official taxis connect Ciampino with the centre of Rome (the area inside the Aurelian Walls) for the fixed fare of 30€.

The fixed fare is exposed on the sides of the taxis.

Bus

A shuttle bus service is available from Laurentinametro station to IFAD and vice versa at scheduled hours from Monday to Friday. The pick-up and drop-off point at Laurentina is at Viale Luca Gaurico 9-11, on the main road (right-hand side of the station's exit), while the IFAD drop-off and pick-up point is the yellow bus stop adjacent to IFAD's main entrance (between Via Paolo di Dono 44 and 50).

Shuttle bus service schedule

Departing from Laurentina - viale Luca Gaurico 9-11:
07:40 - 07:55 - 08:10 - 08:25 - 08:40 - 08:55 -
09:10 - 09:25

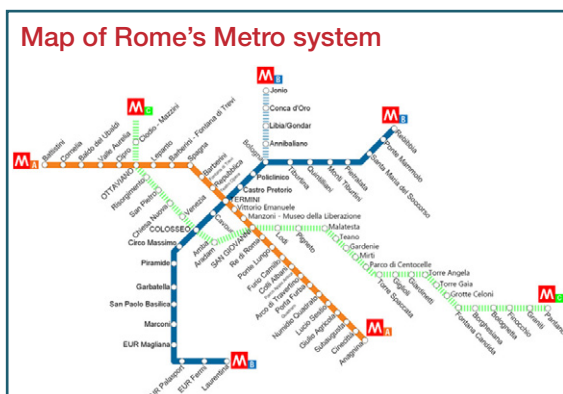
Departing from IFAD - via Paolo di Dono 44-82: 16:45
- 17:05 - 17:20 - 17:35 - 17:50 - 18:05 - 18:20 -
18:35 - 18:50



How to reach IFAD headquarters

Metro (underground)

IFAD headquarters is a 15-minute walk from Laurentina metro station, located in the southern suburb of Rome known as EUR. The station is the last stop of Line B, which connects to Rome's historic city centre. The station also serves as a bus terminal.



Taxi

May be requested at the main guard house (extension 2300). Taxis can also be booked directly by calling +39 06 3570. Please note, that any taxi called but not used is entitled to payment of a minimum fare. From 1.00 to 5.00, women wishing to travel by a dedicated night time taxi service for women can dial +39 06 35701 in order to be connected to an operator who will transfer the call to Lady Cab, at no additional cost.

Public transport in Rome

Metro and bus

Rome has a three-line metro system: Line A (orange), Line B (blue) and Line C (green). Tickets are valid for both the metro and bus and can be bought at vending machines in any metro station, newspaper kiosks and tobacco

shops (called Tabaccaio). Tickets should be purchased in advance and the cost is €1.50 each. One ticket is valid for 75 minutes from when the ticket is first validated, and for a one-way trip, including a combination of metro and bus connection. Tickets must be validated immediately upon boarding the bus or tram.

For further information on public transportation in Rome (including the routes, directions and schedules of buses and trams), call 06-469-54444 or consult [www.atac.roma.it\(lingua=ENG\)](http://www.atac.roma.it(lingua=ENG)).

Taxi

Usually, you do not hail a taxi on the street, instead there are taxi stands or else you have to call for one (Telephone number: 6644) or you can also book a private taxi service (Blue Car: +39 348-359-0087, English spoken). You may ask the hotel reception or the IFAD guard house at the main entrance to call a taxi for you. Please note, however, that any taxi called but not used is entitled to payment of a minimum fare.

Rome mainline train stations:

There are three main railway stations in Rome.

- Termini
- Ostiense (nearest to IFAD)
- Tiburtina

For information on train travel in Italy, see: www.trenitalia.com

Services at IFAD

Travel agent

Assistance with travel arrangements may be obtained from the IFAD travel agent, Carlson Wagonlit Travel, located on the ground floor in room B-011. The office is open from 9:00 to 17:00 and can be reached on extension 2380 or contacted by email at cwtifad@cwtbook.it.

Parking and transportation

A limited number of parking spaces will be reserved for delegates from agencies based in Rome, on a first-come, first-served basis. These are located in the external parking lot at the rear of the building, at Via Paolo di Dono 86. A security guard will be available for assistance throughout the meeting.

Disabled access and facilities

IFAD headquarters is accessible to disabled persons with wheelchairs. Restroom facilities are available on all floors, including near the

meeting room.

Banking facilities

A branch of Banca Popolare di Sondrio is located on the ground floor, close to the main reception area. The bank is open from 8:30 to 13:30 and from 14:30 to 16:00. Two ATM machines are located in the area opposite the bank.

Medical services

The IFAD nurse, Kim Harvey, will be available during the session. The Medical Service office is located on the ground floor, room B-035, extension 2370.

It is recommended that participants coming from abroad:

- Look into taking out medical travel insurance for any unexpected illness/injury;
- Bring their immunization card to show they have been vaccinated against yellow fever, if coming from countries where there has been endemic yellow fever in the last ten years;

Please remember that if a consultation with a private doctor/dentist is required, the IFAD nurse will be able to assist in organizing the appointment, but the cost of the consultation will be borne by the traveller.

A first-aid facility is available in the IFAD Medical Service and that the pharmacy across the street provides over-the-counter medicines. After hours, in case of an emergency, please call an ambulance by dialling 118.

Telephone and wi-fi connections

To speak with the IFAD switchboard, dial (+39) 06 54591 from outside IFAD and 9 from inside the building. To reach an internal IFAD number, dial (+39) 06 5459 plus the extension.

Wi-fi facilities are available in all meeting rooms. You may connect to the "ifadguest" network using ifadguest as password.

Post office

IFAD does not have a post office on its premises. The nearest post office is located within walking distance (ten minutes) on Via A. Del Sarto 12 (just off via Baldovinetti) and is open from 8:00 to 19:00 from Monday to Friday.

Duty-free shop

The duty-free shop is located on the ground floor close to Carlson Wagonlit Travel and is open from 10:00 to 16:00 (except Mondays).

Restaurants and cafeterias

The cafeteria is located on the ground floor and is open from 7:30 to 17:30. It offers cold and hot beverages, sandwiches and pastries, and it operates as a self-service restaurant serving hot and cold meals from 12:00 to 14:30.

Vending machines with refreshments and snacks are located at various points throughout the premises.

Just across the IFAD gate, there are many cafeterias and restaurants. The average prices are €8-10 per meal. Below is a short list.

Cheng Du (Chinese) (5-minute walking distance)

Via Paolo di Dono 23-27
Tel: 06/5193031

Mela Verde (5-minute walking distance)

Via Paolo di Dono 41
Tel: 06/5043200

Food and Drink Mirage (5-minute walking distance)

Via A. Baldovinetti 98
Tel: 06/5033167

Terralba (5-minute walking distance)

Via Alessio Baldovinetti 69
Tel: 06/503 6594

Pizza Pazza (5-minute walking distance)

Via Alessio Baldovinetti 25/27
Tel: 06/504 1363

Bread Factory (5-minute walking distance)

Via Alessio Baldovinetti 5
Tel: 06/8937 0650

Bar Pasticceria Moroni (5-minute walking distance)

Via Alessio Baldovinetti 61
Tel: 06/5031414

Shangri-la Corsetti (10 minutes by car)

Viale Algeria 141
Tel: 06/5918861

Orto di Roma (10 minutes by car)

Via Grotta Perfetta 551
Tel: 06/5032081

Climate

Rome has a typically Mediterranean climate, with rainy winters and hot summers. In May, the average temperature is 21°C during the day. You can see a Rome weather overview at the following link:

<http://www.accuweather.com/en/it/rome/213490/month/213490>

Police forces in Italy

The common emergency number for the police in all European Union member countries is 112 (Carabinieri) or 113 (Polizia di Stato). Multilingual operators are available.

Emergency telephone numbers in Rome

- Medical emergencies, Ambulance, Fire Brigade, police: 112
- IFAD Security (24hours): 06 5459 2777
- IFAD Duty Officer: 06 5459 2666

Visa and entry requirements

Italy is a member of the Schengen Area. Many overseas visitors require a valid visa for Italy. Please be informed that Italy does not issue visas upon arrival. Please visit the following website to verify whether you require a visa: <http://vistoperitalia.esteri.it/home/en>

Participants are requested to make their own visa arrangements. Upon request, IFAD will issue an official letter of invitation for the visa application. Please contact Ms Manuela Gallitto at evaluation@ifad.org.

Please also check whether you need a transit visa for countries in which you may have to transfer/stop over during your trip to/from Rome.

Accommodation

Participants are responsible for making their own accommodation arrangements. To avail of the rates below indicate that you are participating in a meeting at IFAD. All prices are correct at time of publication. Breakfast is available in most hotels (included in the price).

Hotels with IFAD negotiated rate

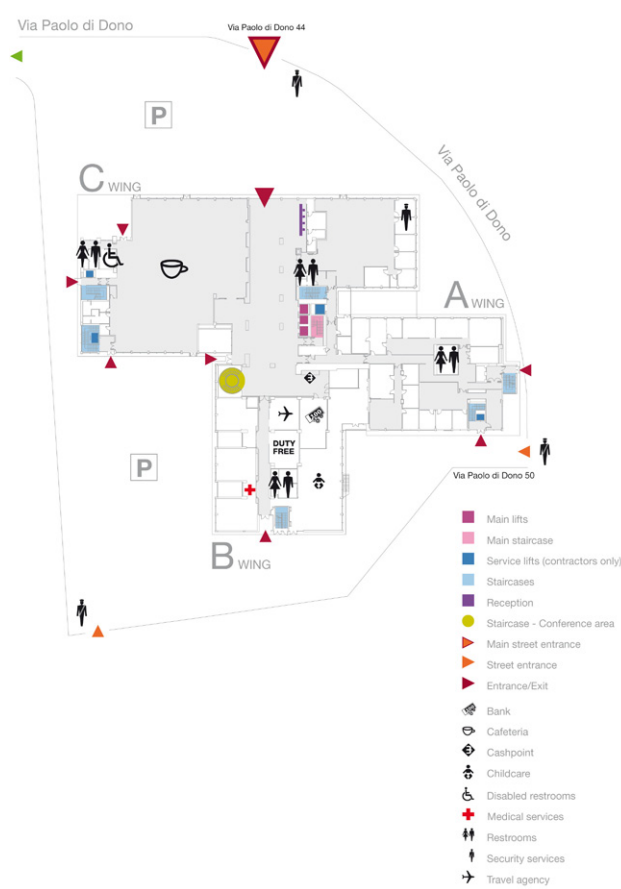
Hotel	Price -IFAD negotiated rate
Tre Fontane*** 51 Via Del Serafico 00142 Rome Tel: (+39) 06 519 565 56 / (+39) 06 519 635 38 info@hoteltrefontane.it www.hoteltrefontane.it Location: Walking distance Distance from IFAD: 1.1 km	DUS €100 DR €120 Breakfast, Wi-Fi and parking included Rome City tax: € 6/night
Apartel Adagio Rome Vatican 8 Via Damiano Chiesa 00136 Rome Tel: (+39) 06 301 98 h9346@adagio-city.com www.adagio-city.com Location: EUR Distance from IFAD: 2.2km	DUS: €100 DR €120 Breakfast: €5 Wi-Fi: €3.5/night parking: €12/night Rome City tax: €4/night

Casa San Bernardo*** 289 Via Laurentina 00142 Rome Tel: (+39) 06 540 76 51 info@casanbernardo.it www.casanbernardo.it Location: 5 minutes by taxi Distance from IFAD: 2.4 km	DUS €65 DR €80 Breakfast, Wi-Fi and parking included Rome City tax: €6/night	Hotel Lancelot*** 47 Via Capo D'africa 00184 Rome Tel: (+39) 06 704 506 15 Info@lancelothotel.com www.lancelothotel.com Location: Piramide Distance from IFAD: 9.8 km	DUS: €118 DR: 130 Breakfast, Wi-Fi included parking: €15/night Rome City tax: +€4/night
Orto Di Roma*** 551 Via Di Grotta Perfetta 00142 Rome Tel: (+39) 06 504 22 24 info@hotelortodiroma.com www.hotelortodiroma.com Location: EUR Distance from IFAD: 3.2 km	DUS €60 DR €70 Breakfast, Wi-Fi and parking included Rome City tax: €4/night	Bettoja Hotel Massimo D'azeglio**** 18 Via Cavour Stazione F.s. 00184 Rome Tel: (+39) 06 487 02 70 dazeglio@bettojahotels.it www.romehoteldazeglio.it Location: Termini Distance from IFAD: 11.5 km	SR: €114 DUS: €121 DR: price upon request Breakfast, Wi-Fi included parking: price upon request Rome City tax: €6/night
Barceló Aran Park*** 24 Via Riccardo Forster 00143 Rome Tel: (+39) 06 510 721 35 aranpark@barcelo.com www.barcelo.com Location: EUR Distance from IFAD: 3.5 km	DUS €80 DR €90 Breakfast, Wi-Fi and parking included Rome City tax: €6/night	Bettoja Hotel Mediterraneo**** 15 Via Cavour Stazione F.s. 00184 Rome Tel: (+39) 06 488 40 51 mediterraneo@bettojahotels.it www.romehotelmediterraneo.it Location: Termini Distance from IFAD: 11.5 km	SR: €116 DUS: €122 DR: price upon request Breakfast, Wi-Fi included parking: €38/night Rome City tax: €6/night
Sheraton Roma Hotel & Conference Center*** 100 Viale Del Pattinaggio 00144 Rome Tel: (+39) 06 545 31 reservations@sheratonrome.com www.sheraton.com/roma Location: EUR Distance from IFAD: 3.8 km	DUS €110 DR €130 Breakfast and Wi-Fi included no parking Rome City tax: €6/night	Bettoja Hotel Atlantico*** 23 Via Cavour 00184 Rome Tel: (+39) 06 485951 atlantico@bettojahotels.it www.romehotelatlantico.it Location: Termini Distance from IFAD: 11.6 km	SR: €112 DUS: €122 DR: price upon request Breakfast, Wi-Fi included parking: price upon request Rome City tax: €6/night
Villa San Pio*** 19 Via Santa Melania 00153 Rome Tel: (+39) 06 57 00 57 info@aventinohotels.com www.aventinohotels.com Location: Piramide Distance from IFAD: 8.7 km	DUS €135 DR €150 Breakfast, Wi-Fi and parking included Rome City tax: €4/night	Hotel Nord Nuova Roma**** 3 Via G. Amendola 00185 Rome Tel: (+39) 06 488 54 41 info@hotelnordnuovaroma.it www.hotelnordnuovaroma.it Location: Termini Distance from IFAD: 11.6 km	SR: €91 DUS: €121 DR: €132 Breakfast, Wi-Fi included parking: €35/night Rome City tax: €4/night
Pulitzer Roma*** 905 Viale G. Marconi 00146 Rome Tel: (+39) 06 598 591 info@hotelpulitzer.it www.hotelpulitzer.it Location: Marconi Distance from IFAD: 3.9 km	DUS €115 DR: price upon request Breakfast, Wi-Fi and parking included Rome City tax: €6/night	Ibis Roma Fiera*** 63 Via Arturo Mercanti 00148 Rome Tel: (+39) 06 65 09 51 H5562@accor.com www.ibis.com Location: EUR Distance from IFAD: 13.9 km	DUS: €62 DR: €62 Breakfast: €8.5 Wi-Fi and external parking included Rome City tax: €4/
H10 Roma Citta – U*** 35 Via Amedeo Avogadro 00146 Rome Tel: (+39) 06 556 52 151 Fax: (39) 06 55 93 63 h10.roma.citta@h10hotels.com www.hotelh10romacitta.com Location: Piramide Distance from IFAD: 6.2 Km	DUS: €119 DR: €130 Breakfast, Wi-Fi and parking included Rome city tax: +€6/night	DUS: double room single occupancy DR: double room SR: double room	
Santa Prisca*** 25 Largo Gelsomini 00153 Rome Tel: (+39) 06 574 19 17 hsprisca@hotelsantaprisca.it www.hotelsantaprisca.it Location: Piramide Distance from IFAD: 7.9 km	SR : €80 DUS: €95 DR: €110 Breakfast, Wi-Fi and parking included Rome City tax: + €3/night	Other hotels in the centre of Rome	
Hotel Forum**** Via Tor de' Conti, 25-30 00184 Rome www.hotelforum.com info@hotelforum.com Tel.: (+39) 06 6792 446 Location: Colosseo Distance from IFAD: 10.8 km	Fortyseven Hotel Rome**** Via Luigi Petroselli 47 00186 Rome www.fortysevenhotel.com reservations@fortysevenhotel.com Tel.: (+39) 06 6787 816 Location: Piazza Venezia Distance from IFAD: 9.3 km		

The Fifteen Keys Hotel **** Via Urbana 6 00184 Rome fifteenkeys.com info@fifteenkeys.com Tel.: (+39) 06 4891 3446 Location: Monti/Colosseo Distance from IFAD: 10.6 km	Relais Trevi 95 Boutique Hotel **** Via del Lavoratore 95 00187 Rome www.relaistrevi95.com info@relaistrevi95.com Tel.: (+39) 06 6994 0834 Location: Fontana di Trevi Distance from IFAD: 13.7 km
Hotel Artemide **** Via Nazionale, 22 00184 Rome www.hotelartemide.it info@hotelartemide.it Tel.: (+39) 06 4899 11 Location: Repubblica Distance from IFAD: 11 km	Hotel La Griffe Roma MGallery by Sofitel***** Via Nazionale, 13 00184 Rome www.lagriffeluxuryhotel.com Location: Repubblica Distance from IFAD: 11 km
Hotel Hassler ***** Piazza Trinità dei monti 6 00187 Rome www.hotelhasslerroma.com booking@lagriffehotel.com Tel.: (+39) 06 47829885 Location: Piazza di Spagna Distance from IFAD: 12.3 km	Radisson Blues. Hotel ***** Via Filippo Turati, 171 00185 Rome www.radissonblu.com/it/eshotel-roma info.rome@radissonblu.com Tel.: +39 06 444 841 Location: Termini Distance from IFAD: 10.3 km
Portrait Roma ***** Via Bocca di Leone, 23 00186 Rome www.lungarnocollection.com/it/portrait-roma portraitroma@lungarnocollection.com Tel.: (+39) 06 693 80 742 Location: Piazza di Spagna Distance from IFAD: 13.8 km	

Logistical information

Ground floor



Minus 1 level



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