AGENDA

DAY 1: Wednesday, 2 May 2018

8:00-9:00 Registration and coffee.

OPENING

9:00-9:30 WELCOME and OPENING ADDRESS
Italian Room

Welcome remarks by Oscar A. Garcia, Director, Independent Office of Evaluation of IFAD (IOE).
Opening address by Cornelia Richter, Vice-President of the International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD).

PLENARY ADDRESSES: What is needed to reduce rural inequality and how can we measure its achievement?

9:30-10:30 Moderator: Paul Winters, Interim Associate Vice-President of the Strategy and Knowledge Department (SKD), International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD).
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Eko Putro Sandjojo, Minister of Village, Development of Disadvantaged Regions, and Transmigration, Indonesia.
Martin Ravallion, Professor of Economics, Georgetown University.

RESOURCES – What resources need to be redistributed, to what extent and how?

10:30-11:45 Session 1: Land – A primary inequality
Moderator: Harold Liversage, Lead Land Tenure Specialist, IFAD.

Ricardo Fuentes, Executive Director of Oxfam Mexico.
Michael Taylor, Director, International Land Coalition Secretariat.
• **Ilaria Bottigliero**, Director of Research and Learning, International Development Law Organization.

• **Violet Shivutse**, Chair of Huairou Commission's Governing Board from Kenya.

**Oval Room**

 Session 2: Redistribution between urban and rural areas
*Moderator: Pradeep Itty, Head, Quality Assurance and Poverty Reduction, Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation (SDC), Federal Department of Foreign Affairs.*

• **Rui Benfica**, Lead Economist, Research and Impact Assessment Division, SKD, IFAD.

• **Katsushi Imai**, Senior Lecturer (Associate Professor) in Development Economics, University of Manchester.

• **Shi Li**, Professor of Economics and Acting Director of China Institute for Income Distribution at Beijing Normal University and a Non-Resident Senior Research Fellow at UNU-WIDER.

11:45-13:00 **Italian Room**

 Session 3: Wealth creation and agriculture as a business – What is needed to reach those "left behind" and do they benefit?
*Moderator: Fabrizio Felloni, Deputy Director, IOE, IFAD*

• **Máximo Torero**, Executive Director, World Bank. Inclusive value-chain development.

• **Pablo Fajnzylber**, Manager, Economic Management and Country Programs Unit, World Bank.

• **Haridas Fernando**, Group Manager- Agri Business Cargills Ceylon Plc. Sri Lanka.

• **Hugo Beteta**, Director of the Sub-regional headquarters in Mexico, Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (ECLAC).

**Oval Room**

 Session 4: Frameworks for understanding and measuring rural inequalities
*Moderator: Torben Nilsson, Senior Global Engagement Specialist, Global Engagement and Multilateral Relations Division, IFAD.*

• **Àlex Prats**, Inequality Lead, Oxfam Intermón.

• **Hazel Malapit**, Senior Research Coordinator, International Food Policy Research Institute.

• **Andrea Biswas Tortajada**, Sustainability Specialist, Nestlé.

13:00-14:30 Lunch
PLENARY ADDRESS: How can we reduce rural inequalities? What actions are needed?

14:30-15:30 Moderator: Joanne Levitan, Communication Officer, IFAD.

• Dr. Unni Karunakara, President of Médecins Sans Frontières Holland / Assistant Professor at Yale School of Public Health.

RESILIENCE – How to redistribute risk to eliminate the "double punishment" of the most vulnerable?

15.30-16:45 Session 5: Inequalities in rural resilience

Moderator: Olivier Cossée, Senior Evaluation Officer, Office of Evaluation, Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO).

• Vidya Diwakar, Senior Research Officer, Chronic Poverty and Research Centre, Overseas Development Institute (ODI).
• Birte Snilstveit, Senior Evaluation Specialist, International Initiative for Impact Evaluation (3IE).
• Cecilia Poggi, Social Protection Economist, Research Officer, French Development Agency (AFD).

Oval Room Session 6: Do existing tools and climate assistance reach the most vulnerable?

Moderator: Marta Bruno, Knowledge Management and Evaluation Officer, Office of Evaluation, FAO.

• Diana Alarcon, Adjunct Academic Secretary, Colegio de la Frontera Norte, Mexico.
• Jose Pineda, Professor, Strategy and Business Economics Division, University of British Columbia.

16:45-18:00 Session 7: Measuring resilience and vulnerability

Moderator: Simona Somma, Evaluation Officer, IOE, IFAD.

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• Lisandro Martin, Director a.i., Operational Policy and Results Division (OPR) and Sustainable Production, Markets and Institutions Division (PMI), IFAD.
• Marco d’Errico, Economist, Reducing Rural Poverty, FAO.
• Pablo Arnal, Resilience and Outcome Measurement Officer, World Food Programme (WFP).
Session 8: Mitigating risk for the "last mile"

Moderator: Michael Hamp, Lead Technical Specialist - Inclusive Rural Financial Services, PMI, IFAD.

- Massimo Giovanola, Technical Specialist - Agriculture Risk Management, PMI, IFAD.
- Federica Carfagna, Acting Director of the Research and Development department of the African Risk Capacity.
- Francesco Rispoli, Senior Technical Specialist - Inclusive Rural Financial Services, PMI, IFAD.

18:00 Reception for all participants hosted by IOE.

DAY 2: Thursday, 3 May 2018

8:30 Coffee

PLENARY ADDRESS: Can an historically-plausible reduction of inequality eradicate rural poverty by 2030?

9:00-10:00 Italian Room

Moderator: Benjamin Davis, Leader of the Strategic Programme to Reduce Rural Poverty, FAO.

- Giovanni Andrea Cornia, Professor of Development Economics, University of Florence.

RELATIONSHIPS - How can relationships be rebalanced so that those "left behind" count, are recognized, and have voice?

10:00-11:15 Italian Room

Session 9: Poverty targeting, - approaches and findings

Moderator: Edward Heinemann, Lead Technical Specialist - Policy, Programme Management Department, IFAD.

- Benjamin Davis, Leader of the Strategic Programme to Reduce Rural Poverty, FAO.
- Chitra Deshpande, Senior Evaluation Officer, IOE, IFAD.
- Michael Grimm, Professor of Development Economics at the University of Passau.
- Estrella Penunia, Secretary-General, Asian Farmers' Association for Sustainable Rural Development.

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Session 10: Who counts? Measuring and evaluating horizontal and vertical inequalities
Moderator: **Hansdeep Khaira**, Evaluation Officer, IOE, IFAD.

- **Piero Conforti**, Deputy Director a.i., Statistics Division, FAO.
- **Alessandra Garbero**, Senior Econometrician, Research and Impact Assessment Division (RIA), SKD, IFAD.

**11:15-12:30 Executive Dining Room**

**Session 11:** Demographic challenges and rural livelihoods  
Moderator: **Fumiko Nakai**, Senior Evaluation Officer, IOE, IFAD.

- **Natalia Winder Rossi**, Senior Social Protection Officer, Social Protection Team Leader, FAO.
- **Marielle Pepin-Lehalleur**, Anthropologist, Retired Researcher, Centre national de la recherche scientifique (CNRS) France.
- **Raghav Gaiha**, Professor Emeritus – Jawaharlal Nehru University (JNE).

**Oval Room**

**Session 12:** Rural employment – A pathway to prosperity or furthering inequalities  
Moderator: **Rui Benfica**, Lead Economist in the Research and Impact Assessment Division, SKD, IFAD.

- **Maria Teresa Gutiérrez**, Technical Specialist on Employment Intensive Investment Programme (EIIP), International Labour Organisation (ILO).
- **Rita Kimani**, Chief Executive Officer and Co-founder, FarmDrive, Republic of Kenya.

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**Session 13:** Inequality and power relations within households  
Moderator: **Lauren Phillips**, Senior Technical Advisor to the Associate Vice President, Programme Management Department, IFAD.

- **Cathy Farnworth**, Independent consultant, Pandia Consulting.
- **Pontian Muhwezi**, Uganda Country Programme Officer, East and Southern Africa Division, IFAD.

**12:30-13:30 LUNCH**
**RIGHTS** – How can policies, laws and rights serve as a remedy and means of institutionalizing equality?

13:30-14:15  
**Session 14:** Rights-based approaches to redress inequalities  
*Oval Room*  
*Moderator: Michael Carbon, Senior Evaluation Officer, IOE, IFAD.*

- Jérémie Gilbert, Professor of Human Rights Law at the University of Roehampton, United Kingdom.  
- Kanyinke Sena, Director, Indigenous Peoples of Africa Coordinating Committee, Republic of Kenya.  
- Ariane Genthon, Child Labor Expert, FAO.

*Italian Room*  
**Session 15:** Measuring and evaluating policy impact  
*Moderator: Fabrizio Bresciani, Regional Economist, Asia and the Pacific Division, IFAD.*

- Papa Seck, Chief Statistician, UN Women.  
- Samantha Custer, Director of Policy Analysis, AidData, College of William and Mary.  
- Osvaldo Feinstein, Professor at the Evaluation Master at the Complutense University of Madrid.

14:15-14:45  
**Coffee Break**

**PLENARY PANEL:** Going beyond rights to reduce inequalities  
14:45-16:15  
*Italian Room*  
*Moderator: Ronald Thomas Hartman, Country Director – Indonesia, Asia and the Pacific Division, IFAD*

- Fay Fay Choo, Asia Director for Cocoa Sustainable Sourcing for Mars Incorporated.  
- Katia Maia, Executive Director, Oxfam Brazil.  
- Rishikanta Sharma Aribam, Campaigning Coordinator, Mahatma Gandhi Seva Ashram (MGSA) /Ekta Parishad.

**CLOSING SESSION**

**PLENARY PANEL:** What are the implications for evaluation?  
16:15-17:15  
*Italian Room*  
*Moderator: Joanne Levitan, Communication Officer, IFAD*

- Oscar Garcia, Director, IOE, IFAD.  
- Masahiro Igarashi, Director, Office of Evaluation, FAO.  
- Pablo Fajnzylber, Manager, Economic Management and Country Programs Unit, World Bank.
CONCLUDING REMARKS
17:15-17:30

- Oscar A. Garcia, Director, IOE, IFAD.

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End of conference