

12 and 13 February 2024

Eighth global meeting of the Farmers' Forum

In conjunction with the forty-seventh session
of IFAD's Governing Council



Agenda

GLOBAL MEETING – DAY ONE

Monday, 12 February 2024

Venue: IFAD headquarters

Italian Conference Room

- 08.45 **Arrival at IFAD**
- 09.00–09.30 **Welcome coffee**
- 09.30–10:00 **Opening session**
Chair: **Marco Camagni**, Lead Global Technical Specialist, Rural
Institutions, IFAD
- Welcoming remarks by **Alvaro Lario**, President of IFAD
- Interventions by members of the Steering Committee of the
Farmers' Forum: **Shamika Mone**, President, INOFO; **Morgan Ody**,
General Coordinator, La Via Campesina; **Fatou Camara**,
Coordinating Committee Member, WFFP; **Musa Sowe**, Vice-
President, ROPPA
- Remarks by **Jyotsna Puri**, Associate Vice-President, Strategy and
Knowledge Department, IFAD
- 10.00–10.45 **Plenary session: Presentation of the agenda and progress in
IFAD–farmers' organizations (FOs) partnership and the way
forward**
Chair: **Musa Sowe**, Vice-President, ROPPA
- Presentation of "Partnership in Progress Report 2020–2023" and
Approach Paper on IFAD–FOs partnership
- 10.45–11.00 **Coffee break**

- 11.00–12.30 **Plenary session: Discussion on the progress in IFAD–FOs partnership and the way forward (continued)**
Chair: **Thales Mendonça**, Global Relationship Manager, INOFO
Plenary discussion and Q&A session on the way forward
- 12.30–12.40 **Group photo**
- 12.40–14.00 **Lunch break**
- 14.00–14.45 **Plenary session: Highlights from the regional meetings of the Farmers’ Forum** (presentations from five regions)
Chair: **Bernard Hien**, Regional Director, West and Central Africa Division, IFAD
- 14.45–16.00 **Two parallel working group sessions (“what” and “how”) on the key aspects of IFAD-FOs partnership**
1. **WHAT** are the strategic priority areas in which FOs contribute, at different levels, to the sustainable development agenda?
Venue: Italian Conference Room
 2. **HOW** can IFAD and FOs strengthen their partnership at different levels (country/regional/global) and with different modalities to achieve common goals?
Venue: Oval Conference Room
- 16.00–16.15 **Coffee break**
- 16.15–17.00 **Plenary session: Reports from the two working groups and discussion**
Chair: **Ron Hartman**, Director, Global Engagement, Partnership and Resource Mobilization, IFAD

GLOBAL MEETING – DAY TWO

Tuesday, 13 February 2024

Venue: IFAD headquarters

Italian Conference Room

08.45	Arrival at IFAD
09.00–10.00	Plenary session: Results and lessons learned from regional programmes supporting farmers’ organizations (FO4A / FO4LA / FO4ACP / GAFSP) - Panel discussion Chair: Katja Vuori , Programme Director, AgriCord Q&A session
10.00–10.15	Coffee break
10.15–11.15	Two parallel thematic discussions: 1. Climate change resilience and biodiversity conservation: opportunities and risks for further partnership between FOs and IFAD, and to leverage financing including through payments for ecological services Chair: Andrea Porro , Secretary General, WFO <i>Venue: Italian Conference Room</i> 2. Expanding smallholders’ access to finance to invest in more sustainable food production and access markets: opportunities for a greater role of FOs with the support of public policies and in partnership with the private and financial sectors Chair: Thouraya Triki , Director Sustainable Production, Markets and Institutions Division, IFAD Co-Chair: Lany Rebagay , Programme Manager and Coordinator, AFA <i>Venue: Oval Conference Room</i>
11.15–12.00	Plenary session: Reports from the two thematic discussions Chair: Fatou Camara , Coordinating Committee member, WFFP
12.00–14.00	Lunch break

- 14.00–14.30 **Closed session: Discussion and finalization of the Synthesis of Deliberations**
 Chair: **Anuka de Silva**, Youth International Coordination Committee member, LVC
- Autonomous space for the Drafting Committee and delegates of the Farmers' Forum only
- Venue: Oval Conference Room*
- 14.30–15.30 **Side events for farmers' organizations, IFAD staff and partners** (three parallel events):
1. Enabling youth to sustainably produce the food of tomorrow (INOFO – Intercontinental Network of Organic Farmer's Organizations)
 Moderator: **Charles K. Mubanga**, Southern Africa Convenor, INOFO
Venue: Room S-149
 2. Joining efforts in advancing peasants' rights through UNDROP implementation (La Via Campesina)
 Moderator: **Raffaele Morgantini**, Representative of CETIM at the UN
Venue: Oval Conference Room
 3. Strengthening farmers' organizations capacities to support sustainable food systems transformation and resilience (PAFO – Pan-African Farmers Organization)
 Moderator: **Elisabeth Nsimadala**, President, EAFF
Venue: Italian Conference Room
- 15.30–15.45 **Coffee break**
- 15.45–16.30 **Presentation of and discussion on the Synthesis of Deliberations open to IFAD Governors and Executive Board representatives**
 Chair: **Satu Santala**, Associate Vice-President, External Relations and Governance Department, IFAD
- Reading of the final Synthesis of Deliberations by **Ujjaini Halim**, Asia Representative, WFF and member of the Steering Committee of the Farmers' Forum
- Exchanges with Governors and Executive Board representatives
- Reactions of IFAD Management by **Donal Brown**, Associate Vice-President, Programme Management Department, IFAD

16.30–17.00

Closing session

Closing remarks by members of the Steering Committee of the Farmers' Forum: **Sok Sotha**, Board member for Asia, WFO; **Alberto Broch**, President, COPROFAM; **Esther Penunia**, Secretary General, AFA

Final remarks by **Gérardine Mukeshimana**, Vice-President of IFAD

17.00–20.00

Closing reception and cultural event

Venue: Floor -1 conference area

**FORTY-SEVENTH SESSION OF THE
IFAD GOVERNING COUNCIL**

Wednesday, 14 February 2024

Venue: IFAD headquarters

Plenary Hall

15.00

Synthesis of Deliberations from the Farmers' Forum, delivered by **Ibrahima Coulibaly**, President, PAFO and member of the Farmers' Forum Steering Committee