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Calendar of FAO Governing Bodies and other Main Sessions 2017-18

Executive Summary

As requested by the Council at its 66th Session, a calendar of sessions of Governing Bodies for the following biennium is submitted to the Council for approval, and reviewed at subsequent sessions. The Secretariats of FAO, IFAD and WFP prepare this calendar jointly in an endeavour to harmonize the dates of their respective Governing Bodies.

An updated calendar for 2017 and 2018 is given in *Appendix A* for information. Changes made since the publication of *Appendix H* to the Final Report of the 155th Session of the Council are marked with an asterisk.

In an effort to avoid overlapping of FAO, IFAD and WFP meetings other than Governing Body sessions, but which are of interest to the majority of Permanent Representatives, the three Rome-based Agencies share a Web-based "common calendar" that meeting conveners may consult on-line before scheduling meetings at: <http://www.fao.org/members-gateway/calendar/en/>

Queries regarding the common calendar can be sent to: CPAC-Web@fao.org

Suggested action by the Council

The 156th Session of Council is requested to note changes made to the Calendar since its last Session.

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Appendix A

Provisional Calendar of FAO/IFAD/WFP Governing Bodies and other Main Sessions 2017-2018

	2017		2018	
JANUARY	16 CGRFA	30/1-3/2		
FEBRUARY	165 FC (WFP) IFAD/GC WFP	7-8 13-17 20-24	IFAD/GC* 30 ARC WFP	12-16 19-23 26/2-2/3
MARCH	104 CCLM 166 FC 121 PC	13-15 27-31 27-31	31 ERC 106 CCLM 35 LARC*	5-9 12-14 26-29
APRIL	IFAD/EB 156 CL	10-14 24-28	IFAD/EB 34 NERC*	16-20 23-27
MAY	167 FC (WFP)*	29-31	34 APRC 169 FC* 123 PC	30/4-4/5 21-25 21-25
JUNE	WFP	12-16	159 CL WFP	4-8 18-22
JULY	40 C 157 CL 40 CODEX*	3-8 10 17-22 (Geneva)	41 CODEX 33 COFI 24 COFO	2-6 (Rome) 9-13 16-20
AUGUST				
SEPTEMBER	IFAD/EB	11-15	IFAD/EB 72 CCP	10-14 26-28
OCTOBER	44 CFS WFD 105 CCLM	9-13 16 (Monday) 23-25	26 COAG WFD 45 CFS 107 CCLM	1-5 16 (Tuesday) 15-20 22-24
NOVEMBER	168 FC* 122 PC WFP	6-10 6-10 13-17	170 FC* 124 PC WFP	12-16 12-16 19-23
DECEMBER	158 CL IFAD/EB	4-8 11-15	160 CL IFAD/EB	3-7 10-14

Easter: 16 April 2017
 Orthodox Easter: 16 April 2017
 Ramadan: 27 May-24 June 2017
 Eid Al-Fitr: 25 June 2017
 Eid Al-Adha: 1 September 2017

Easter: 1 April 2018
 Orthodox Easter: 8 April 2018
 Ramadan: 16 May-14 June 2018
 Eid Al-Fitr: 15 June 2018
 Eid Al-Adha: 22 August 2018

APRC	Regional Conference for Asia and the Pacific	COFO	Committee on Forestry
ARC	Regional Conference for Africa	ERC	Regional Conference for Europe
C	Conference	FC	Finance Committee
CCLM	Committee on Constitutional and Legal Matters	IFAD/EB	IFAD Executive Board
CCP	Committee on Commodity Problems	IFAD/GC	IFAD Governing Council
CFS	Committee on World Food Security	INARC	Informal Regional Conference for North America
CGRFA	Commission on Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture	LARC	Regional Conference for Latin America and the Caribbean
CL	Council	NERC	Regional Conference for the Near East
COAG	Committee on Agriculture	PC	Programme Committee
CODEX	Codex Alimentarius Commission	WFD	World Food Day
COFI	Committee on Fisheries	WFP	World Food Programme Executive Board

(*) Change compared to Calendar submitted to the previous Council session