CONFERENCE

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Admission to the Session of Representatives and Observers of International Organizations

Executive Summary

1. In accordance with Rule XVII.1 of the General Rules of the Organization (GRO), the Director-General has invited the United Nations and the Specialized Agencies listed in Appendix A to send their representatives to the 40th Session of the Conference.

2. In accordance with Rule XVII.2 GRO, the Director-General has invited the Intergovernmental Organizations with which FAO has concluded an agreement providing for representation to send observers (Appendix B-a).

3. In accordance with Rule XVII.4 GRO, the Director-General has provisionally invited, subject to the approval of the Conference, a number of Intergovernmental Organizations with which FAO has concluded an agreement not providing for representation to send observers (Appendix B-b).

4. In accordance with Rule XVII.4 GRO, the Director-General has provisionally invited, subject to the approval of the Conference, a number of Intergovernmental Organizations with which FAO has not concluded an agreement to send observers (Appendix B-c).

5. In accordance with Rule XVII.4 GRO the Director-General has provisionally invited, subject to the approval of the Conference, a number of International Organizations without formal relations with FAO to send observers (Appendix C).

6. In accordance with Rule XVII.3 GRO, and with paragraph 19(a) of the "FAO Policy concerning Relations with International Non-Governmental Organizations" (Basic Texts Vol. II, Section M), the Director-General has invited the International Non-Governmental Organizations in consultative status with FAO to send observers (Appendix D).

Suggested action by the Conference

The invitations sent to Intergovernmental Organizations with which FAO does not have a formal agreement are extended on a provisional basis and are subject to approval by the Conference on the basis of a recommendation made by the General Committee.

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Appendix A

United Nations and Specialized Agencies
invited to the Conference

United Nations, Specialized Agencies and Related Organizations

United Nations Secretariat (UN)
United Nations Children’s Fund (UNICEF)
United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD)
United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification (UNCCD)
United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)
United Nations Educational Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO)
United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN Women)
United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP)
United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC)
United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR)
United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-HABITAT)
United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO)
United Nations Office on Drug and Crime (UNODC)
United Nations Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR)
United Nations Office of the High Representative for the Least Developed Countries, Landlocked Developing Countries and Small Island Developing States (OHRLLS)
United Nations Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues (UNPFII)
United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA)
United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East (UNRWA)
United Nations University (UNU)
United Nations World Tourism Organization (UNWTO)
Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS (UNAIDS)
Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD)
Global Environment Facility (GEF)
International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA)
International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO)
International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD)
International Labour Organization (ILO)
International Maritime Organization (IMO)
International Monetary Fund (IMF)
International Telecommunication Union (ITU)
Universal Postal Union (UPU)
World Bank (WB)
World Food Programme (WFP)
World Health Organization (WHO)
World Health Organization Framework Convention on Tobacco Control (FCTC)
World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO)
World Meteorological Organization (WMO)
World Trade Organization (WTO)
Appendix B

Intergovernmental Organizations invited to the Conference

a) Organizations with which FAO has an agreement providing for representation

African, Caribbean and Pacific Group of States (ACP)
African Development Bank Group (AfDB)
African Union (AU)
Arab Organization for Agricultural Development (AOAD)
Asian Development Bank (ADB)
Centre for Marketing Information and Advisory Services for Fishery Products in the Arab Region (INFOSAMAK)
Centre for Marketing Information and Advisory Services for Fishery Products in Latin America and the Caribbean (INFOFISH)
Council of Europe (COE)
Desert Locust Control Organization for Eastern Africa (DLCO-EA)
Eurasian Economic Commission (EEC)
EUROFISH
Inter-American Development Bank (IADB)
Intergovernmental Organization for Marketing Information and Cooperation Services for Fishery Products in Africa (INFOPECHE)
Intergovernmental Organization for Marketing Information and Technical Advisory Services for Fishery Products in the Asia and Pacific Region (INFOFISH)
International Commission for the Conservation of Atlantic Tunas (ICCAT)
Lake Victoria Fisheries Organization (LVFO)
League of Arab States (LAS)
Organization for the Network of Aquaculture Centres in Asia-Pacific (NACA)
Organization of American States (OAS)
Regional Centre on Agrarian Reform and Rural Development for the Near East (CARDNE)
World Organization for Animal Health (OIE)
b) Organizations with which FAO has concluded an agreement not providing for representation

Afro-Asian Rural Development Organization (AARDO)
Arab Authority for Agricultural Investment and Development (AAAID)
Arab Centre for the Studies of Arid Zones and Dry Lands (ACSAD)
CAB International (CABI)
Caribbean Community (CARICOM)
International Centre for Advanced Mediterranean Agronomic Studies (CIHEAM)
Common Fund for Commodities (CFC)
Commonwealth Secretariat (COMSEC)
Community of Portuguese-Speaking Countries (CPLP)
Inter-American Institute for Co-operation on Agriculture (IICA)
International Institute for the Unification of Private Law (UNIDROIT)
International Jute Study Group (IJSG)
International Olive Oil Council (IOOC)
International Organization for Migration (IOM)
Islamic Development Bank (IDB)
Italian-Latin-American Institute (IILA)
Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD)
Organisation of Islamic Cooperation (OIC)
Permanent Interstate Committee for Drought Control in the Sahel (CILSS)
Regional International Organization for Plant Protection and Animal Health (RIOPPAH-OIRSA)
Southern African Development Community (SADC)

c) Organizations with which FAO has not concluded an agreement

Amazon Cooperation Treaty Organization (ACTO)
Arab Maghreb Union (AMU)
Community of Sahel-Saharan States (CEN-SAD)
Indian Ocean Rim Association (IORA)
International Union for the Protection of New Varieties of Plants (UPOV)
Parliamentary Assembly of the Mediterranean (PAM)
Regional Commission of Fisheries of Gulf of Guinea (COREP)
South Centre
West African Economic and Monetary Union (WAEMU)
Appendix C

Other International Organizations provisionally invited to the Conference

Bioversity International
Global Dryland Alliance (GDA)
International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies (IFRCRCS)
Latin American Parliament
World Conservation Union (IUCN)
Appendix D

International Non-Governmental Organizations invited to the Conference

Organizations in consultative status with FAO

Associated Country Women of the World (ACWW)
Caritas Internationalis (CI)
Emerging Ag
International Centre for Agricultural Research in the Dry Areas (ICARDA)
International Centre for Biosaline Agriculture (ICBA)
International Chamber of Commerce (ICC)
International Cooperative Alliance (ICA)
International Council of Women (ICW)
International Union of Food, Agriculture, Hotel, Restaurant, Catering, Tobacco and Allied Workers’ Associations (IUF)
Society for International Development (SID)
World Federation of Trade Unions (WFTU)
World Union of Catholic Women's Organizations (WUCWO)