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Independent review as input to an assessment of the Governance Reforms (IPA action 2.74¹)

1. Action 2.74 in the Immediate Plan of Action for FAO Renewal (IPA), approved by Conference in 2008, provides that “*the Conference will assess the workings of the governance reforms, including the role and functioning of the Regional Conferences, with an independent review as an input to this process.*”
2. Reforms covered under this IPA action were considered to be of a long-term nature, with the assessment to taken up by the Conference in 2015.
3. The main objective of the independent review will be to contribute to the assessment of the performance of FAO’s governance system, including the role and functioning of the Regional Conferences, through evidence-based identification and analysis of progress accomplished and of areas or aspects where further improvement is feasible.
4. The independent review will be carried out over a period of six-eight months in 2014, to allow observation of sessions of key Governing Bodies throughout the year. The preliminary budget, including consultants and travel for team members to and from FAO Headquarters and to three Regional Conferences, amounts to USD 111,000.

¹ C 2013/26 paras 218 and 238 refer.