

of the 36th Session of the FAO Conference

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

STATEMENTS

Due to the limited availability of speaking time, statements will be limited to **five minutes**. When a representative or observer has spoken for his/her allotted time, the Chairperson shall call him/her to order.

WRITTEN STATEMENTS BY HEADS OF DELEGATION FOR PLENARY

To ensure both accurate interpretation of statements and timely production of verbatim records, delegations are kindly requested to submit the electronic version of their statements (WORD or PDF) to: Conference-Statements@fao.org well in advance of delivery. The name of the delegation and speaker should be indicated at the top of the first page in one of the following languages: English, French or Spanish.

Given the need to produce verbatim records within a tight time frame, preference is given to the use of e-mail to submit statements. Those unable to use e-mail for this purpose are kindly requested to send the text by fax to: (+39) 0689280554 or to hand in nine (9) copies of written statements to be delivered by their Head of Delegation, as soon as possible in advance, to Room A-273E, where they will be distributed to the interpreters.

The meeting will be conducted in Arabic, Chinese, English, French, Spanish and Russian. If speakers wish to make statements in a language other than these, they must provide a text in one of the aforementioned languages to the Secretariat. The delegation concerned should also make available to the Interpretation Group (please refer to Room A-273E, tel (+39) 0657054731) a person who knows both the language in which the statement is delivered and the language into which it has been translated to ensure synchronization between the speaker and the interpreter.

Participants wishing to make available copies of their statements to the Conference participants should provide the desired number of copies to the Documents Desk, at the Korean Conference Service Centre (1st Floor, Building A, at the entrance of the Red and Green Rooms).

PROVISIONAL LIST OF PARTICIPANTS

A limited number of <u>Provisional</u> Lists of Participants will be available from the afternoon of Friday 20 November 2009 at the Documents Desk, Korean Conference Service Centre (1st Floor, Building A) for the purpose of checking the accuracy of the entries only. Participants are requested to submit any corrections or amendments to this list to the Documents Desk, at the Korean Conference Service Centre, for inclusion in the final list which will be included in the final report of the Conference on the Conference Web site.

DOCUMENTS OF THE CONFERENCE

The documents of the Conference are posted at http://www.fao.org/unfao/bodies/conf/c2009/index_en.htm. A very limited quantity will also be available during the Conference at the Documents Desk in the Korean Conference Service Centre (1st Floor of Building A).

BILATERAL MEETING ROOMS

A limited number of bilateral meeting rooms are available for use by delegations on an hourly basis. (Please refer to Room A-231, Extension 55872).

INFORMAL MEETING OF OBSERVERS OF INGOS

The UN Non-Governmental Liaison Service will present the results of a two year inquiry on UN relations with Peoples' Organizations and Indigenous Peoples with participation of leaders of these organizations, FAO and IFAD on Wednesday 18 November from 13.30 to 15.00 hours in the Philippines Room (C277).

The Strategic Planning Unit, ODGS, will hold an information meeting with Observers from International Non-Governmental Organizations (INGOs) attending the Thirty-sixth Session of the Conference from 09.30 to 12.30 hours on Thursday 19 November in the Philippines Room (C277).

ELECTRONIC VOTING SYSTEM

The Plenary Hall of FAO is equipped with an electronic voting system. The system can be used (a) to determine the number of Delegations present in the room (for the purpose of determining a quorum); (b) to carry out a vote without recording names (equivalent to vote by show of hands) and (c) to carry out a nominal vote (equivalent to vote by roll call) and provide afterwards a list of Delegations having votes "for", "against" or "abstaining".

The system cannot be used for secret ballots, including elections. Therefore secret ballots are conducted in accordance with the relevant legal provisions using tellers, ballot papers, voting booths, ballot boxes and a counting room. Two large electronic panels in the Plenary Hall show the result of each vote taken; in addition a formal printed record is provided to the Chairperson and the Elections Officer for certification of the results of the vote.

ELECTION OF COUNCIL MEMBERS

Nomination forms for Member Nations wishing to be elected to the Council are appended to document **C 2009/11-Rev.1**. All forms should be completed and signed by the delegate of the country standing for election to the Council and by two nominating delegations, which need not necessarily be from the same region as the candidate.

Such forms should be submitted to Room B202, Office of the Secretary-General of the Conference, by **12.00 hours on Friday, 20 November 2009** at the latest.

In accordance with Rule XXII-10(g) GRO "... Candidates who are unsuccessful in the election to fill the vacancy or vacancies occurring in the first calendar year shall be included among the candidates for election to the vacancy or vacancies occurring at the end of the second calendar year, except where they voluntarily withdraw.

MEMBERSHIP OF THE WORLD FOOD PROGRAMME EXECUTIVE BOARD

Nomination forms for Member Nations wishing to be members of the World Food Programme Executive Board are appended to Document **CL 138/5.**

Such forms should be completed, signed and submitted to Room B202, Office of the Secretary-General of the Conference and Council, by **12.00 hours on Friday, 20 November 2009** at the latest.

ENVIRONMENTALLY FRIENDLY CONFERENCE

Participants are invited to enjoy the following climate-friendly goods and services:

Recycle. Use FAO's colour-coded waste bins.

- Reduce consumption of bottled water and cut plastic waste. Use a refillable bottle (available
 at Commissary) to serve yourself natural or sparkling water from one of FAO's new water
 fountains.
- Conference and Council documents have been printed double-sided on 100% recycled paper in a limited number of copies.
- Consult documents on line and think twice before requesting extra copies.
- When printing, use the Conference printers that are set to double-sided printing and filled with ecological paper.

TRAVEL FACILITIES (FLIGHT RESERVATION AND RECONFIRMATION)

Carlson Wagonlit Travel (CWT) is the official travel agency of the Conference. Their offices, located on the Ground Floor of Building D (Room D-074), are open from 09.00 to 17.00 hours.

For further information, participants may contact CWT on extension number **55970** (or 06 57055970 from outside FAO) or by e-mail: faotravel@cwtbook.it.

For emergency requirements outside business hours, CWT offer a **24 Hour Emergency Service** dedicated to providing traveller assistance (Tel: from within Italy **800 – 871932**; and **+44 208 7579000** from all other countries).

CATERING FACILITIES

The FAO Headquarters complex offers the following dining and snack bar facilities. A reduced service will be available on Sunday 22 November.

- Cafeteria Terrace (8th Floor Building B): 11.45 to 14.30 hours.
- FAO Restaurant (A la Carte Menu) (6th Floor Building C): extension no. 56823 (tel. no. 06-57056823) 12.00 to 14.30 hours.
- Polish Bar (Ground Floor Building A) (Limited Access to Delegates): 07.30 to end of last evening session.
- Bar B (8th Floor Building B): 08.30 to 15.00 hours.
- Blue Bar (or Bar C) Restaurant (8th Floor Building C): 11.45 to 14.30 hours.
- Caracalla Bar (Building B, Eighth Floor): 08.30 to 17.00 hours
- Bar D (Ground Floor Building D): 07.30 to 17.00 hours.

Bancomat and credit cards are accepted at the Restaurant, Polish Bar and Blue Bar.

MEDICAL SERVICES

For medical emergencies, participants may dial 30 from in-house telephones or 06-57053400 from outside FAO Headquarters. For other medical services, participants may call extension 53577 from in-house telephones (06-5705-3577 from outside FAO Headquarters). They may also go directly to the Medical Service (1st Floor, Building B) during working hours of the Conference.

For urgent medical assistance outside the working hours, participants are requested to call 118 or *Guardia Medica*/Doctors-on-Call 06 58201030 or use the services of the hotel doctor.

BANKING AND CURRENCY EXCHANGE FACILITIES

The Banca Intesa San Paolo is located on the Ground Floor, Building B, and is open from 08.35 hours to 16.35 hours.

The *Banca Popolare di Sondrio* is located on the Ground Floor, Building D (D-016), and is open from 08:30 to 16:30 hours. Cash dispensers (ATM) for credit card withdrawals are located at the entrance of both Banks and the Post Office, which is on the left of *Banca Intesa San Paolo*.

WIFI COVERAGE AND INTERNET POINT

Wireless Internet Service (WiFi) for Conference participants will be available in and around the Plenary Hall, the Red and Green Rooms, and in other meeting rooms. In order to use the service, a laptop or PDA that has Wireless LAN capabilities, conforming to 802.11b or 802.11g standards, is needed. The following user network, name and password should be used:

Network: **Guest_Internet**Username: **visitor**Password: **2go2web**

Internet points are available for participants in the Atrium, located on the Ground Floor between Building A and Building B. The computers in this area allow access to the Internet and can be used for personal e-mail account access and FAO Web site browsing.

PRAYER ROOM

A Prayer Room is available for use by Conference participants in Room A250 Ter.

CLOAKROOM

A cloakroom is situated in the Flag Room, Ground Floor Building B.

PIGEON HOLES

Delegates are kindly requested to refrain from distributing documents in the meeting rooms during the Conference. Documents for other delegations may be left at the Korean Conference Service Centre, located at the entrance of the Red and Green Rooms. Delegates should pick up the contents of their pigeon holes regularly.

OFFICERS OF THE CONFERENCE

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