

Chair's Aide-Mémoire

Conference Committee for IEE Follow-up (CoC-IEE)

Friday 2 October 2009

Review and adoption of the Draft Report of the CoC-IEE to the FAO Conference

1. Recognizing that Working Groups I, II and III had fully endorsed the *Draft Report of the CoC-IEE to the FAO Conference on the Immediate Plan of Action for FAO Renewal* at their joint meeting of 2 October 2009, the CoC-IEE unanimously adopted its Final Report *en bloc*, for submission to the 36th Session of Conference in November 2009.
2. The Final Report will be shortly posted on the FAO Reform website, in all the language versions as they become available.
3. Members paid a vibrant tribute to Professor Mohammad Saeid Noori-Naeini for his incomparable leadership role, deeply appreciating his invaluable contributions to the CoC-IEE process. They also expressed their gratitude for the guidance and advice provided by the Vice-Chairs of the CoC-IEE, the Chairs, Co-Chairs and Vice-Chairs of the Working Groups, as well as to the Management and Staff of FAO for their dedication and hard work.
4. Echoing Members' sentiments, Professor Noori thanked all Members for their good will, dedicated engagement and collective efforts which led to the successful completion of the work of the CoC-IEE, acknowledging the precious support that was extended by the CoC-IEE Vice-Chairs, the Chairs, Co-Chairs and Vice-Chairs of its Working Groups, as well as its Bureau Members. He also expressed sincere appreciation to FAO's Management and Staff for their unfailing commitment to the reform of the Organization, and thanked the CoC-IEE secretariat for the assistance provided throughout the year.
5. The Vice-Chairs of the CoC-IEE, Ambassador Agnes van Ardenne-van der Hoeven and Ambassador Wilfred Joseph Ngirwa, congratulated all the Members for having set, through the IPA process, an enlightening example for the whole UN system. They also showed appreciation to staff members, both at headquarters and in the decentralized offices, for their strong commitment to FAO's renewal.
6. On behalf of the Management and Staff of FAO, Mr Jim Butler, Deputy Director-General, and Ms Marcela Villarreal, Chair of the Reform Support Group, expressed gratitude to Professor Noori for having skilfully and efficiently steered the work of CoC-IEE. They also acknowledged the enthusiastic involvement of the entire Membership, as well as the proactive support provided by the staff at large.

Annex

Agenda for the meeting

1. Chair's introduction
2. Review and adoption of the CoC-IEE draft Final Report