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EUROPEAN COMMISSION ON AGRICULTURE (ECA)

THIRTEENTH (SPECIAL) SESSION OF THE WORKING PARTY ON WOMEN AND THE FAMILY IN RURAL DEVELOPMENT

Rome, Italy, 15 April 2009

PROVISIONAL AGENDA AND TIMETABLE

Time	Agenda Item
9.00 am	Registration
9.30 am	1 Opening of the Session - FAO Regional Representative for Europe and Central Asia Assistant Director-General
	2 Adoption of the Agenda: for decision (ECA: WPW/09/1)
	3 Election of the Session Officers: Session Chairperson(s) and Rapporteur: for decision
10.00 am	4 Gender Issues in Rural Areas in Europe and ECA WPW Activities: for information (ECA: WPW/09/2) 4.1 Importance of gender issues in European Region rural areas and development – Introduction by the REU Secretariat 4.2 Gender issues in rural development in the European Region and FAO normative work and projects and WPW activities – Presentation by the REU Secretariat and WPW Chairperson Rural development and regional policies in the European Region need to consider gender aspects of employment, migration as well as gender focus in support programmes for job creation and differentiation of income sources. Governments are invited to review and make recommendations on FAO gender-focused work in the Region and project activities, in particular the Working Party on Women Sessions and Expert Meetings to achieve value-added and targeted assistance.

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10.30 am	5	<p>Review of the WPW Mandate and Manner of Working: <i>for decision</i> (ECA: WPW/09/3 and ECA: WPW/09/3 Sup.)</p> <p>5.1 Form and organization of WPW activities – REU Secretariat Present arrangements and proposals for improvements and enhancement of collaboration among ECA WPW, REU Secretariat, Economic and Social Development Department, Gender, Equity and Rural Employment Division (ESW)</p> <p>5.2 Communication and cooperation among the ECA Executive Committee, ESW, the WPW Board and the REU Secretariat; Present arrangements for WPW servicing and RP resources – REU Secretariat Reporting to the ECA Executive Committee and informing the European Regional Group on WPW activities - Discussion</p> <p>WPW Sessions and Expert Meetings provide a subregional/regional forum to review gender-focused policies and programmes and present project experience, and offer training in social and economic research and assessment of the situation of women in rural areas. Governments are invited to make recommendations and propose options to revise the format and content of WPW activities, including collaboration modalities and communication with the ECA Executive Committee.</p> <p>Conclusions for formal submission to the 36th Session of the ECA – REU Secretariat</p>
12.30 – 2.00 pm		Lunch Break
2.00 pm	6	<p>WPW Trust Fund Activities and Replenishment: <i>for information</i> (ECA: WPW/09/4)</p> <p>– Trust Fund Resources used in 2007-2008 and List of Donors – REU Secretariat</p> <p>A Trust Fund was created in 2006 to support selected WPW activities such as consultations and inputs by resource persons and the publication of outcomes. Governments are invited to make recommendations regarding the scope, objectives and approaches for the replenishment of this Fund and, where appropriate, linking WPW activities with other gender-targeted programmes supported by multilateral and bilateral donors.</p>
2.45 pm	7	<p>Preparations for the 14th WPW Session, Budapest, Hungary, June 2009 (TBC): <i>for information and decision</i> (ECA: WPW/09/5)</p> <p>The 14th Session of the WPW will be held in Budapest, Hungary, in June 2009 (TBC), and will be hosted by the Hungarian Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development.</p> <p>The technical theme for the 14th Session will be: <i>Impacts of Migrations on the Livelihoods of Rural Households and Better Management of Agricultural Resources at Origin.</i></p> <p>Governments are invited to review and make recommendations on the draft Agenda and Programme prepared by the FAO REU WPW Secretariat.</p>
3.30 pm	8	Any other business
	9	Adoption of the Report
		Closure of the Session

