



**NINETEENTH FAO/ECA WPW EXPERT MEETING
ON GENDER AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT
Pécs, Hungary, 25-29 September 2006**

*Rural development through diversification of jobs and incomes
Focus on gender-responsive microfinance*

NEEDS ASSESSMENT

With a view to ensure that the participants of the Expert Meeting benefit most from the presentations of papers, working sessions, discussions and work on policy and programme recommendations, it is kindly requested that the questionnaire below is completed and returned together with the Registration Form to:

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by **27 July 2006**. This will facilitate the adaptation of the planning and design of the meeting and the resource persons papers and presentations to the Participants' actual knowledge and priorities as relevant to the Meeting theme and objectives. Background information, including reference to available reports, studies and training material of relevance to the Meeting should be attached or indicated where the material is available (websites etc.).

Please complete the Participant's personal data

Name _____

Country _____

Organization/
Institution _____

Position and specialization _____

Main areas of work _____

Educational background _____

Are you and/or your organization presently involved in the formulation, implementation and evaluation of rural and regional development policies, programmes and projects? Please provide summary information on this involvement, thus title, duration, purpose and overall objectives, target groups and stakeholders and financing modalities. Please refer to specific (i) financing of rural development and (ii) gender sensitive experience.

Are you and/or your organization presently involved in the formulation, implementation and evaluation of sustainable rural programmes and projects aiming to diversify incomes and job opportunities? Please provide summary information on this involvement, thus title, duration, purpose and overall objectives, target groups and stakeholders and financing. Please attach background information, including reference to available reports, studies and training material that you find may be of relevance to the Meeting or indicate where the material is available electronically.

Please indicate gender issues and policy-related components in particular financing of rural development and gender in the rural and regional development activities implemented. Please attach background information, including reference to available reports, studies and training material that you find may be of relevance to the Meeting or indicate where the material is available.

Do you have experience in networking and policy dialogue within the framework of rural development and gender programmes and projects; please provide some details and indicate your role and expectations for future networking.

Based on your experience, what actions and policies, programme and project components should be implemented to ensure the inclusion of gender components in rural development-focused technical assistance.

What are your main expectations from the Expert Meeting in terms of

- (i) exchange of rural and agricultural support policy experience and capacity building

- (ii) exchange of experience of gender focused rural development programmes and projects

- (iii) training in gender-related approaches and skills

- (iv) other

What are the three most important issues/areas that you would like the Meeting to address

- (i) _____

- (ii) _____

- (iii) _____