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Council Multi-year Programme of Work 2013-16

Executive Summary

In conformity with the Basic Texts, Volume II, Section D (Resolution 8/2009) on the "Implementation of the Immediate Plan of Action (IPA) regarding the Council", the Council prepares a Multi-year Programme of Work (MYPOW) covering a period of at least four years. A draft MYPOW was developed through informal meetings involving the Membership and facilitated by the Independent Chairperson of Council, resulting in the formal adoption by the Council at its 140th Session (November-December 2010¹) of its first MYPOW covering the years 2010-13, subsequently endorsed by the 37th Session of the FAO Conference (June-July 2011). The Conference agreed that the MYPOW was a useful planning tool and should become a standing item on the Council agenda.

Suggested action by the Council

The Council may wish to note the changes in the MYPOW compared to the version submitted to its last session, which are marked with an asterisk.

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¹ CL 140/REP, paragraph 73.

1. The information regarding sessions to be held during the 2014-16 period should be considered tentative at this stage as the Council agenda may be influenced by unpredictable developments. The pattern of the bodies which report to Council followed in the 2011-12 biennium has been proposed for the following two biennia, in line with the Basic Texts provisions², although there may be a need for adjustments in effective timing, hence the “t.b.d” label (“to be determined”) added to some entries.
2. Another area of possible modification might be the consideration of progress reports on IPA implementation, subject to Council decisions on the desirable frequency. Against this background, one issue which will warrant special mention in the agenda is the evaluation of governance reforms called for by IPA action 2.74³, the arrangements for which are still to be decided by the Governing Bodies.

² Basic Texts, Volume II, Section D, Resolution 8/2009, Implementation of the Immediate Plan of Action regarding the Council

³ "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", see C 2013/26 para.60

ANNEX

Council Multi-year Programme of Work Revised version covering the 2013-16 period

I. Overall Objective for the Council

The Council provides the Conference with precise, balanced and timely guidance on strategies, priorities, programmes and budget for the Organization, as well as constitutional, organizational, administrative and financial matters. The Council also provides clear assessments on the world food and agriculture situation and exercises its oversight and monitoring functions in accordance with the Basic Texts of the Organization, including Conference Resolution 8/2009. It operates efficiently and effectively in a results-based manner, holding its sessions in keeping with the rolling workplan outlined in the Appendix, and with the Note on Methods of Work of the Council.

II. Results

A. Strategy and priority setting, and budget planning

Result: Conference decisions on strategies, priorities, programmes and budget for the Organization, as well as on the status of world food and agriculture, are based on Council guidance.

Indicators and targets:

- Conference report reflects the recommendations made by Council on the Strategic Framework, Medium Term Plan 2014-17 (MTP) and Programme of Work and Budget 2014-15 (PWB).
- In examining and adopting the budget of the Organization, the Conference has at its disposal an explicit recommendation by Council regarding the level of the budget.
- Council guidance on world food and agriculture issues receives Conference approval.
- Conference approves the provisional agenda recommended to it by Council.

Outputs: Clear and precise decisions taken, and recommendations made to Conference.

Activities:

- Review and assessment of the recommendations made by the Finance and Programme Committees and their Joint Meetings regarding the Strategic Framework, MTP and PWB, and clear recommendations thereon to Conference.
- Review and assessment of the recommendations made by the Technical Committees on technical priorities and budget matters.
- Review and assessment of the recommendations made by the Regional Conferences on regional priorities and budget matters.
- Assessment of major issues pertaining to the world food and agriculture situation as necessary.
- Decisions on any adjustments to the PWB.
- Recommendations to Conference on the Programme and Budget Resolution, including the content and level of the budget.
- Recommendation of the main theme of the general debate at the Conference session.
- Recommendation of the provisional agenda of the Conference session.

Working methods:

- Informal coordination meetings of the Chairpersons and Secretariats of the Finance and Programme Committees, Regional Conferences and Technical Committees, facilitated by the Independent Chairperson of Council.
- Informal consultation meetings of the Chairpersons of the Regional Groups and senior members of the Secretariat, facilitated by the Independent Chairperson of Council.

- Regular contacts between the Independent Chairperson of Council and FAO Management.

B. Monitoring implementation of governance decisions

Result: Implementation of decisions on governance matters is regularly monitored by Council.

Indicators and targets:

- Timely implementation of governance decisions taken by Conference and Council is monitored by the Council, and this is reflected in the Conference report.
- The recommendations on measures designed to increase the efficiency of Governing Bodies are reviewed and assessed by Council before submission to Conference.

Outputs: Clear and precise decisions and resolutions taken, and recommendations made to Conference.

Activities:

- Review and assessment of governance decisions of Council.
- Review and assessment of the recommendations made by the Open-ended Working Group on measures designed to increase the efficiency of Governing Bodies, including representation.
- Review of the Multi-year Programmes of Work (MYPOW) of the Governing Bodies, and assessment of related progress reports.
- Recommendations and decisions on the convening of Ministerial Meetings as necessary.
- Review and assessment of issues regarding treaties, conventions and agreements that are within the framework of FAO.
- Review of developments in other fora of importance for the mandate of FAO.

Working methods:

- Informal coordination meetings of the Chairpersons and Secretariats of the Committee on Constitutional and Legal Matters (CCLM), Finance and Programme Committees, Regional Conferences and Technical Committees, facilitated by the Independent Chairperson of Council.
- Informal consultation meetings of the Chairpersons of the Regional Groups and senior members of the Secretariat, facilitated by the Independent Chairperson of Council.
- Regular contacts between the Independent Chairperson of Council and FAO Management.
- Advice from the Statutory Bodies through the Technical Committees.

C. Exercise of oversight functions

Result: Well functioning legal, ethics, financial and administrative frameworks, policies and systems are in place and regularly monitored by Council.

Indicators and targets:

- The Organization operates within its legal, financial and administrative framework.
- Transparent, independent and professional evaluation of the Organization's performance, as well as audit and ethics oversight.
- The elections mandated by the Basic Texts are held within the set deadlines.
- Policies are implemented and systems function in accordance with existing rules and standards.
- The proposed calendar of FAO Governing Bodies and other main sessions conforms the schedule of sessions for the implementation of the Programming, Budgeting and Results-based Monitoring System.

Outputs: Clear and precise decisions taken, and recommendations made to Conference.

Activities:

- Review and assessment of the Finance Committee recommendations and decisions regarding budgetary performance and programme, budgetary transfers and the Organization's financial situation, including resource mobilization and voluntary contributions.

- Review and assessment of the Finance Committee recommendations regarding ethics and audit, both internal and external.
- Review and assessment of the Finance Committee recommendations regarding policies and systems, both in Headquarters and Decentralized Offices, for human resources, administrative and business processes, contracting and purchasing, and information and communication technology.
- Review and assessment of the Programme and Finance Committee recommendations on strategic evaluations.
- Review and assessment of the CCLM recommendations on constitutional and legal matters.

Working methods:

- Advice from the Finance and Programme Committees and their Joint Meetings, and from the CCLM.
- In-depth review of one substantive issue to be chosen by the Council once every two years.
- Regular contacts between the Independent Chairperson of Council and FAO Management.

D. Monitoring of IPA implementation and further steps in the Reform process

Results: Overall progress in implementation of the Immediate Plan of Action is regularly monitored by Council.

Indicators and targets:

- Management reports on progress in IPA implementation timely submitted to all Council sessions.
- The recommendations made by Council on IPA implementation are reflected in the Final Management Report on the IPA and the FAO Reform Process to be submitted to the Conference in 2013⁴.*

Outputs: Clear and precise recommendations and decisions in a specific report to Conference.

Activities:

- Review and assessment of Management reports on progress in IPA implementation.
- Review and assessment of IPA-related recommendations made by the Finance and Programme Committees and their Joint Meetings, CCLM, Regional Conferences and Technical Committees.

Working methods:

- Informal seminars and consultations among Members.

E. Monitoring of Management performance

Result: Management performance targets are regularly reviewed and monitored by Council.

Indicators and targets:

- Performance of Management is in line with established performance targets.
- Adjustments are made to performance targets as necessary.

Outputs: Clear and precise decisions taken, and recommendations made to Conference.

Activities:

- Monitoring of the performance of Management against established performance targets in the framework of the results-based budgeting and management system, based on the MTP/PWB and on the reports of the Finance and Programme Committees and their Joint Meetings.

⁴ C 2013/26

- Review of the contribution of extra-budgetary resources to the Organizational Results framework.
- On a periodic basis, organize the transparent, professional and independent evaluation of the Organization's performance in contributing to its planned outcomes and impacts.
- Review of the Programme and Finance Committees recommendations for adjustment of PWB implementation.

Working methods:

- Regular contacts between the Independent Chairperson of Council and FAO Management.
- Informal seminars and consultations among Members.

F. Work planning and working methods

Results: Council operates efficiently, in a proactive and inclusive way, according to established work plans and improved working methods.

Indicators and targets:

- Council agendas are focused.
- Council reports are concise, consisting mainly of conclusions, decisions and recommendations, and are made available to Members soon after the closure of the session.
- Council documents have a standardized cover page, with a box suggesting the proposed action.
- Council documents are provided 4 weeks before a session commences.

Outputs:

- A MYPOW for Council.
- A revised Note on Methods of Work of the Council.

Activities:

- Preparation of the Council MYPOW, with performance indicators.
- Preparation of a progress report to Conference on the Council MYPOW.
- Regular review of the methods of work of Council, including performance measures.
- Review of the status of implementation of Council decisions.
- Study and comparison of the governance of other international organizations in view of introducing potential improvements in the operating procedures of Council and the implementation of its MYPOW.

Working methods:

- Structured and focused deliberations during Council sessions.
- Efficient drafting arrangements for Council reports, based on the conclusions made by the Independent Chairperson of Council in closing and summing up each item.*
- Regular inter-sessional activities, determined according to their interest, and level of priority.
- As appropriate, strengthen human and financial resources mobilized by the Secretariat for the implementation of, and follow up to, the MYPOW.
- Informal meetings of the Chairpersons of the Regional Groups and senior members of the Secretariat, facilitated by the Independent Chairperson of Council.
- Regular contacts between the Independent Chairperson of Council and FAO Management.

G. Outstanding IPA Actions*

The 144th Session of Council (June 2012) requested that the MYPOW include IPA actions which had not been completed:

IPA Action No. and Description		End-date
	1. Governing Body Reform	
	The Council	
2.18	The Council shall make a clear recommendation to Conference on the Programme and Budget Resolution including the budget level	For attention by Members
	Further Actions to Improve the Effectiveness of FAO Governance	
2.74	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.	June 2015
	Appointment and Term of Office of the Director-General	
2.100	c) The FAO Conference will consider for approval desirable qualifications for the post of Director-General developed by the CoC-IEE in 2009.	For attention by Members
	Governing body follow-up	
4.1	The Council will monitor the progress of implementation of the Immediate Plan of Action, and report to the Conference at its 36 th Session (2009) and its 37 th Session (2011). It will be supported in this by the Programme and Finance Committees and reports	June 2013
4.4	any changes found desirable in the size and regional representation in the membership of the Council and propose with advice from the CCLM any necessary changes in the Basic Texts to the 2009 Session of the Conference;	For attention by Members
	3. Evaluation	
	Evaluation	
2.83	a) Independent Evaluation of the evaluation function every six years – report to management and the Council together with the recommendations of the Programme Committee	December 2016
	4. Ethics	
	Ethics	
3.36a	Appointment of Ombudsman	June 2013
	5. Reform of Programming, budgeting and Results Based Monitoring	
	FAO Strategic Objectives and the New Results-Based Framework	
3.88	Introduce benchmarks and a performance-based reporting and monitoring system for decentralized offices	December 2013
	Design new Planning and Budgeting Model	
7.2	Design the new Planning and Budgeting Model, define the new structure of PWB, outline the new standard streamlined logical framework for "Projects" budgets and the requirements for the standardized new reporting system.	December 2013
	6. Publishing in all Languages	
	Publishing in all Languages of the Organization	
3.55	A budget will be set aside for technical publishing (paper and web) in each FAO language. A panel of users of technical documentation in each language will decide on the application of funds for translation (this is in addition to the existing budget ...)	December 2013
3.57	Separate mirror websites to the FAO website will be developed for Arabic and Chinese	December 2013
	10. Headquarters Structure	

IPA Action No. and Description		End-date
	Headquarters Structure	
3.103	Review reorganization with a view to further improvements	June 2013
	12. Partnerships	
	Partnerships	
3.109	NEW - Mainstream, operationalization and implementation of renewed strategy for partnerships with civil society and the FAO strategy for partnerships with the private sector, including capacity building targeted to all FAO staff...	December 2013
	15. Translation and Printing	
	Printing and Publishing in all Languages of the Organization	
7.19	Change Translation Service Model. Translation service to be funded by Regular Programme	June 2013
	17. Administrative Service Model and FAO Manual	
	FAO Manual	
7.22	Carry out a major overhaul of the FAO Manual, reviewing and publishing a simplified framework, so that staff in all locations can understand-and comply with FAO rules and regulations.	December 2013
	18. IPSAS (and FAS Replacement)	
	IPSAS	
3.42	Development and deployment of a field version of oracle adapted to FAORs' needs. Note: some early actions will be completed by the time of the Special Session of the Conference; other major items which will incur costs beyond the Conference are reflected	June 2013
7.24	Implementation of IPSAS as key initiative for the finance division and FAO as a whole	January 2014
	22. Enterprise risk management	
	Enterprise Risk Management Framework	
3.54	Full Implementation of Enterprise Risk Management Structure and systems	December 2013
	23. Culture Change	
	Institutional Culture Change	
3.32	Implementation of the vision	No end-date foreseen
	25. Competency Framework	
3.66	NEW - Revise competency profiles for all job families including Regional Representatives, sub-regional coordinators and FAORs, including competencies in management and policy support	April 2013
	26. Mobility	
3.61	Establish an incentive based rotation policy in HQ and between HQ and the decentralized offices with clear criteria	June 2013
	27. Other Human Resources Actions	
3.71	Introduce dual grading for P5/D1 and D1/D2 posts	December 2013

APPENDIX**Sessions and Work plan of Council**

1. The Council shall hold at least five sessions in a biennium as follows:
 - a) two sessions in the first year of the biennium;
 - b) one session not less than 60 days before the regular session of the Conference, at which the Council shall in particular make recommendations to Conference on the Strategic Framework (every four years), MTP and PWB;
 - c) one session immediately after the regular session of the Conference, at which the Council shall in particular elect the Chairpersons and Members of the Programme Committee, Finance Committee and CCLM; and
 - d) one session towards the end of the second year of the biennium.
2. The indicative rolling work plan of Council shall be as outlined in the following tables, and shall be adjusted as and when required by the Council, including inclusion of effective dates for sessions of bodies reporting to it, hence the “t.b.d” label (“to be determined”) added to some entries.
3. At its sessions, the Council shall review a document on the status of implementation of decisions taken at its previous session.
4. At the end of each session, the Council shall review its provisional agenda for the following session.
5. Substantive issues which shall be regularly addressed at Council sessions include the following items:
 - Audit, ethics and other oversight issues;
 - Human resources;
 - Resource mobilization, including voluntary contributions;
 - Decentralization issues;
 - Contracting and purchasing issues;
 - Information and communication technology issues;
 - Strategic evaluations and management responses;
 - United Nations system-wide developments regarding oversight issues impacting on FAO.

147th Session of the Council, July 2013**Election of Committees**

- 1) Election of the Chairperson and Twelve Members of the Programme Committee
- 2) Election of the Chairperson and Twelve Members of the Finance Committee
- 3) Election of the Chairperson and Seven Members of the Committee on Constitutional and Legal Matters

Other Matters

- 4) Matters Arising out of the Conference Session
- 5) Developments in Fora of Importance for the Mandate of FAO
- 6) Calendar of FAO Governing Bodies and other Main Sessions 2013-2014
- 7) Provisional Agenda for the following session of Council
- 8) Working Methods of Council

148th Session of the Council, December 2013**Programme, Budgetary, Financial and Administrative Matters**

- 1) Approval of Adjustments to the Programme of Work and Budget 2014-15
- 2) Report on the Immediate Plan of Action Implementation*
- 3) Report of the Joint Meeting of the Programme and Finance Committees (October 2013)
- 4) Report of the Programme Committee (October 2013)
- 5) Report of the Finance Committee (October 2013)

Committee on World Food Security

- 6) Report of the Committee on World Food Security (October 2013)

Committee on Constitutional and Legal Matters

- 7) Report of the Committee on Constitutional and Legal Matters (October 2013)

Governance Matters

- 8) Multi-year Programmes of Work of the
 - Finance Committee
 - Programme Committee
 - CCLM
 - Regional Conferences
 - Technical Committees
 - Council
- 9) Council Multi-year Programme of Work 2014-17
- 10) Status of implementation of Council decisions

Other Matters

- 11) Election of Six Members of the WFP Executive Board
- 12) Developments in Fora of Importance for the Mandate of FAO
- 13) Calendar of FAO Governing Bodies and other Main Sessions 2014-2015
- 14) Provisional Agenda for the following session of Council
- 15) Working Methods of Council

149th Session of the Council, June 2014
Programme, Budgetary, Financial and Administrative Matters*
1) Report of the Joint Meeting of the Programme and Finance Committees (...2014) (t.b.d.)
2) Report of the Programme Committee (...2014) (t.b.d.)
3) Report of the Finance Committee (...2014) (t.b.d.)
Regional Conferences
4) Report of the Regional Conference for Africa (2014) (t.b.d.)
5) Report of the Regional Conference for Asia and the Pacific (2014) (t.b.d.)
6) Report of the Regional Conference for the Near East (2014) (t.b.d.)
7) Report of the Regional Conference for Latin America and the Caribbean (2014) (t.b.d.)
8) Report of the Regional Conference for Europe (2014) (t.b.d.)
9) Report on the Informal Conference for North America (2014) (t.b.d.)
Committee on Constitutional and Legal Matters
10) Report of the Committee on Constitutional and Legal Matters (...2014) (t.b.d.)
Governance Matters
11) Council Multi-year Programme of Work 2014-17
12) Status of implementation of Council decisions
Other Matters
13) Annual Report of the WFP Executive Board on its Activities in 2013
14) Developments in Fora of Importance for the Mandate of FAO
15) Calendar of FAO Governing Bodies and other Main Sessions 2014-2015
16) Provisional Agenda for the following session of Council
17) Working Methods of Council

150th Session of the Council, December 2014
Programme, Budgetary, Financial and Administrative Matters*
1) Programme Implementation Report 2012-2013
2) Report of the Joint Meeting of the Programme and Finance Committees (...2014) (t.b.d.)
3) Report of the Programme Committee (...2014) (t.b.d.)
4) Report of the Finance Committee (...2014) (t.b.d.)
Technical Committees and Committee on World Food Security
5) Report of the Committee on Commodity Problems (2014) (t.b.d.)
6) Report of the Committee on Agriculture (2014) (t.b.d.)
7) Report of the Committee on Fisheries (2014) (t.b.d.)
8) Report of the Committee on Forestry (2014) (t.b.d.)
9) Report of the Committee on World Food Security (2014) (t.b.d.)
Committee on Constitutional and Legal Matters
10) Report of the Committee on Constitutional and Legal Matters (...2014) (t.b.d.)
Governance Matters
11) Arrangements for the 39 th Session of the Conference (including provisional agenda and Council recommendation on a theme for the general debate at Conference)
12) Council Multi-year Programme of Work 2015-18
13) Status of implementation of Council decisions
Other Matters
14) Election of Six Members of the WFP Executive Board
15) Developments in Fora of Importance for the Mandate of FAO
16) Calendar of FAO Governing Bodies and other Main Sessions 2014-2015
17) Provisional Agenda for the following session of Council
18) Working Methods of Council

151st Session of the Council, April 2015

Programme, Budgetary, Financial and Administrative Matters

- 1) Review of the Medium Term Plan (2014-17) and Programme of Work and Budget (2016-2017) – Recommendation to Conference on budget level
- 2) Report on the Immediate Plan of Action Implementation
- 3) Report of the Joint Meeting of the Programme and Finance Committees (...2015) (t.b.d.)
- 4) Report of the Programme Committee (...2015) (t.b.d.)
- 5) Report of the Finance Committee (...2015) (t.b.d.)

Committee on Constitutional and Legal Matters

- 6) Report of the Committee on Constitutional and Legal Matters (...2015) (t.b.d.)

Governance Matters

- 7) Arrangements for the 39th Session of the Conference (including tentative timetable) – Recommendations to Conference
- 8) Council Multi-year Programme of Work 2015-18
- 9) Status of implementation of Council decisions

Other Matters

- 10) Annual Report of the WFP Executive Board on its Activities in 2014
- 11) Developments in Fora of Importance for the Mandate of FAO
- 12) Calendar of FAO Governing Bodies and other Main Sessions 2015-2016
- 13) Provisional Agenda for the following session of Council
- 14) Working Methods of Council

152nd Session of the Council, July 2015

Election of Committees

- 1) Election of the Chairperson and Twelve Members of the Programme Committee
- 2) Election of the Chairperson and Twelve Members of the Finance Committee
- 3) Election of the Chairperson and Seven Members of the Committee on Constitutional and Legal Matters

Other Matters

- 4) Matters Arising out of the Conference Session
- 5) Developments in Fora of Importance for the Mandate of FAO
- 6) Calendar of FAO Governing Bodies and other Main Sessions 2015-2016
- 7) Provisional Agenda for the following session of Council
- 8) Working Methods of Council

153rd Session of the Council, November 2015	
Programme, Budgetary, Financial and Administrative Matters*	
1) Approval of Adjustments to the Programme of Work and Budget 2016-17 2) Report of the Joint Meeting of the Programme and Finance Committees (...2015) (t.b.d.) 3) Report of the Programme Committee (...2015) (t.b.d.) 4) Report of the Finance Committee (...2015) (t.b.d.)	
Committee on World Food Security	
5) Report of the Committee on World Food Security (October 2015) (t.b.d.)	
Committee on Constitutional and Legal Matters	
6) Report of the Committee on Constitutional and Legal Matters (...2015) (t.b.d.)	
Governance Matters	
7) Multi-year Programmes of Work of the <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Finance Committee • Programme Committee • CCLM • Regional Conferences • Technical Committees • Council 8) Council Multi-year Programme of Work 2016-19 9) Status of implementation of Council decisions	
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154th Session of the Council, June 2016	
Programme, Budgetary, Financial and Administrative Matters	
1) Report of the Joint Meeting of the Programme and Finance Committees (...2016) (t.b.d.) 2) Report of the Programme Committee (...2016) (t.b.d.) 3) Report of the Finance Committee (...2016) (t.b.d.)	
Regional Conferences	
4) Report of the Regional Conference for Africa (2016) (t.b.d.) 5) Report of the Regional Conference for Asia and the Pacific (2016) (t.b.d.) 6) Report of the Regional Conference for the Near East (2016) (t.b.d.) 7) Report of the Regional Conference for Latin America and the Caribbean (2016) (t.b.d.) 8) Report of the Regional Conference for Europe (2016) (t.b.d.) 9) Report on the Informal Conference for North America (2016) (t.b.d.)	
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155th Session of the Council, November 2016

Programme, Budgetary, Financial and Administrative Matters*

- 1) Review of the Strategic Framework
- 2) Programme Implementation Report 2014-2015
- 3) Report of the Joint Meeting of the Programme and Finance Committees (...2016) (t.b.d.)
- 4) Report of the Programme Committee (...2016) (t.b.d.)
- 5) Report of the Finance Committee (...2016) (t.b.d.)

Technical Committees and Committee on World Food Security

- 6) Report of the Committee on Commodity Problems (2016) (t.b.d.)
- 7) Report of the Committee on Agriculture (2016) (t.b.d.)
- 8) Report of the Committee on Fisheries (2016) (t.b.d.)
- 9) Report of the Committee on Forestry (2016) (t.b.d.)
- 10) Report of the Committee on World Food Security (2016) (t.b.d.)

Committee on Constitutional and Legal Matters

- 11) Report of the Committee on Constitutional and Legal Matters (...2016) (t.b.d.)

Governance Matters

- 12) Arrangements for the 40th Session of the Conference (including provisional agenda and Council recommendation on a theme for the general debate at Conference)
- 13) Council Multi-year Programme of Work 2017-20
- 14) Status of implementation of Council decisions

Other Matters

- 15) Election of Six Members of the WFP Executive Board
- 16) Developments in Fora of Importance for the Mandate of FAO
- 17) Calendar of FAO Governing Bodies and other Main Sessions 2017-2018
- 18) Provisional Agenda for the following session of Council
- 19) Working Methods of Council