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Calendar of FAO Governing Bodies and other Main Sessions 2016-18

Executive Summary

As requested by the Council at its 66th Session, a calendar of sessions of Governing Bodies for the following biennium is submitted to the Council for approval, and reviewed at subsequent sessions. The Secretariats of FAO, IFAD and WFP prepare this calendar jointly in an endeavour to harmonize the dates of their respective Governing Bodies.

A revised calendar for 2016 is given in *Appendix A* for information. The provisional calendar for 2017 given in *Appendix B* is presented to the Council for approval, while the proposed sequence of meetings for 2018 is provided for information. Changes made since the publication of *Appendix E* to the Final Report of the 154th Session of the Council are marked with an asterisk.

In an effort to avoid overlapping of FAO, IFAD and WFP meetings other than Governing Body sessions, but which are of interest to the majority of Permanent Representatives, the three Rome-based Agencies share a Web-based "common calendar" that meeting conveners may consult on-line before scheduling meetings at: <http://www.fao.org/members-gateway/calendar/en/>

Queries regarding the common calendar can be sent to: CPAC-Web@fao.org

Suggested action by the Council

The 155th Session of Council is requested to approve the proposed calendar for 2017 and to take note of the draft calendar for 2018.

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Appendix A

Calendar of FAO/IFAD/WFP Governing Bodies and other Main Sessions 2016

	2016	
JANUARY		
FEBRUARY	WFP IFAD/GC 34 LARC	8-10 15-19 29/2-3/3
MARCH	33 APRC 102 CCLM 4 INARC	7-11 14-16 21-22
APRIL	29 ARC IFAD/EB	4-8 12-15
MAY	30 ERC 33 NERC 161 FC 119 PC 162 FC (WFP) 154 CL	4-6 9-13 16-20 16-20 23-25 30/5 – 3/6
JUNE	WFP 39 CODEX	13-17 27/6-2/7 (Rome)
JULY	32 COFI 23 COFO	11-15 18-22
AUGUST		
SEPTEMBER	IFAD/EB 25 COAG	19-23 26-30
OCTOBER	71 CCP (MM) 71 CCP WFD 43 CFS 103 CCLM	3 4-6 14 (Friday) 17-21 24-26
NOVEMBER	163 FC (WFP)* 164 FC* 120 PC WFP	2-3 7-11 7-11 14-18
DECEMBER	155 CL IFAD/EB	5-9 12-16

Easter: 27 March 2016
Orthodox Easter: 1 May 2016
Ramadan: 6 June – 5 July 2016
Eid Al-Fitr: 6 July 2016
Eid Al-Adha: 11 September 2016

APRC	Regional Conference for Asia and the Pacific	COFO	Committee on Forestry
ARC	Regional Conference for Africa	ERC	Regional Conference for Europe
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CCLM	Committee on Constitutional and Legal Matters	IFAD/EB	IFAD Executive Board
CCP	Committee on Commodity Problems	IFAD/GC	IFAD Governing Council
CFS	Committee on World Food Security	INARC	Informal Regional Conference for North America
CGRFA	Commission on Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture	LARC	Regional Conference for Latin America and the Caribbean
CL	Council	MM	Ministerial Meeting
COAG	Committee on Agriculture	NERC	Regional Conference for the Near East
CODEX	Codex Alimentarius Commission	PC	Programme Committee
COFI	Committee on Fisheries	WFD	World Food Day
		WFP	World Food Programme Executive Board

* Change compared to the Calendar submitted to the previous session of Council

Appendix B

Provisional Calendar of FAO/IFAD/WFP Governing Bodies and other Main Sessions 2017-2018

	2017		2018	
JANUARY				
FEBRUARY	IFAD/GC WFP	13-17 20-24	34 NERC IFAD/GC 30 ARC WFP	4-8 12-17 19-23 26/2-2/3
MARCH	104 CCLM 165 FC* 121 PC	13-15 27-31 27-31	31 ERC 106 CCLM 35 LARC	5-9 12-14 26-30
APRIL	IFAD/EB 156 CL	10-14 24-28	IFAD/EB	16-20
MAY			34 APRC FC PC	30/4-4/5 21-25 21-25
JUNE	WFP*	13-17	159 CL WFP	4-8 18-22
JULY	40 C 157 CL 40 CODEX	3-8 10 17-21 (Geneva)	41 CODEX 33 COFI 24 COFO	2-6 (Rome) 9-13 16-20
AUGUST				
SEPTEMBER	IFAD/EB	11-15	IFAD/EB 72 CCP	10-14 26-28
OCTOBER	44 CFS WFD 105 CCLM	9-13 16 (Monday) 23-25	26 COAG WFD 45 CFS 107 CCLM	1-5 16 (Tuesday) 15-20 22-24
NOVEMBER	166 FC* 122 PC WFP	6-10 6-10 13-17	FC PC WFP	12-16 12-16 19-23
DECEMBER	158 CL IFAD/EB	4-8 11-15	160 CL IFAD/EB	3-7 10-14

Easter: 16 April 2017
 Orthodox Easter: 16 April 2017
 Ramadan: 27 May-24 June 2017
 Eid Al-Fitr: 25 June 2017
 Eid Al-Adha: 1 September 2017

Easter: 1 April 2018
 Orthodox Easter: 8 April 2018
 Ramadan: 16 May-14 June 2018
 Eid Al-Fitr: 15 June 2018
 Eid Al-Adha: 22 August 2018

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