



# Announcements

## 155<sup>th</sup> Session of the FAO Council

FAO, Rome, 5 – 9 December 2016

<b>Provisional List of Participants</b>	<p>A limited number of print outs of the <u>Provisional</u> List of Participants will be available from the morning of Monday, 5 December 2016 at the Documents Desk, Korean Conference Service Centre (1<sup>st</sup> Floor, Building A), for the purpose of checking the accuracy of entries. Participants from countries whose language of communication is Arabic, Chinese or Russian are invited to check that the translation of their names is correct. Participants are requested to submit any corrections or amendments to the Documents Desk for inclusion in the final list, which will be uploaded to the Council Web page. <b>Only registered participants will appear on the list.</b></p>
<b>PaperSmart Council Session</b>	<p>A very limited number of printed documents will be available. Participants may make use of the “Print-on-demand” service, if required, at the Documents Desk in the Korean Conference Service Centre (1<sup>st</sup> Floor, Building A). Council documents can be downloaded at: <a href="http://www.fao.org/about/meetings/council/cl155/documents/en/">http://www.fao.org/about/meetings/council/cl155/documents/en/</a> Documents also carry a QR code to allow participants to retrieve the electronic version easily.</p>
<b>FAO Members Gateway</b>	<p>The FAO Members Gateway, the main channel of communication with Members, offers access to governance and management information. To access the site go to <a href="http://www.fao.org/members-gateway/en/">http://www.fao.org/members-gateway/en/</a> and log on with the username and password issued to all Permanent Representations. If you would like a demonstration of the site or wish to make a comment on it please send an e-mail to: <a href="mailto:CPAC-Web@fao.org">CPAC-Web@fao.org</a>. Audio recordings of Council meetings are available in the restricted area of the FAO Members Gateway.</p>
<b>Bilateral meeting rooms</b>	<p>Some bilateral meeting rooms are available for use by delegations on an hourly basis. Please refer to Room A276, Ext. 53770, email: <a href="mailto:Meeting-Services@fao.org">Meeting-Services@fao.org</a></p>
<b>Travel facilities (flight reservation and reconfirmation)</b>	<p>Carlson Wagonlit Travel (CWT), the official travel agency of the Organization, is located on the Ground Floor of Building D (Room D074) and is open from 09.00 to 17.00. For further information, participants may contact CWT on extension number 55970 (or 0657055970 from outside FAO) or by e-mail: <a href="mailto:faotravel.it@contactcwt.com">faotravel.it@contactcwt.com</a></p>
<b>Medical services</b>	<p>For medical emergencies, participants should dial 30 from in-house telephones or 0657053400 from outside FAO Headquarters. For other medical services, participants may contact the receptionist on extension number 53577 from in-house telephones (0657053577 from outside FAO Headquarters) or by email at <a href="mailto:Medical-Service@fao.org">Medical-Service@fao.org</a>. They may also go directly to the Medical Service (1<sup>st</sup> Floor, Building B) during the working hours of the Council 08.30-17.30. For urgent medical assistance outside working hours, participants are requested to call 118 or <i>Guardia Medica/Doctors-on-Call</i> on 06570600.</p>
<b>Banking and currency exchange facilities</b>	<p>The <i>Banca Intesa Sanpaolo</i> is located on the Ground Floor, Building B, and is open from 08.35 to 16.35. The <i>Banca Popolare di Sondrio</i> is located on the Ground Floor, Building D (D016), and is open from 08.30 to 16.30. Cash dispensers (ATM) for credit card withdrawals are located at the entrances of both banks.</p>
<b>Media assistance for Permanent Representatives during the Council</b>	<p>The Office for Corporate Communication (OCC) informs Delegates to Council that the Media Relations Branch (OCCM) can provide technical support and facilities for radio and TV interviews in the studios of the <i>Angola Radio and Television Centre</i>, 3<sup>rd</sup> floor of Building A (Room A330) from 09.00 to 17.30. Requests should be forwarded, with at least 24 hours’ notice, to Mr Erwin Northoff, Chief, Media Relations, OCCM (<a href="mailto:Erwin.Northoff@fao.org">Erwin.Northoff@fao.org</a> / +39 0657053105).</p>
<b>Estonian Contact Centre (ECC)</b>	<p>The Estonian Contact Centre (B016) is located at the bottom of the stairs leading to the Iran Room. The ECC has two videophones equipped with Skype technology to enable free video calls to be made anywhere in the world.</p>



The FAO Headquarters offers the following dining and snack bar facilities:

- Catering facilities**
- Building A Ground Floor - **Polish Bar**: from 07.30 until the end of the daily session
  - Building B 8<sup>th</sup> Floor - **Cafeteria Terrace**: from 12.00 to 14.30 hours
  - Building B 8<sup>th</sup> Floor - **Bar B**: from 09.00 to 17.00 hours
  - Building C 8<sup>th</sup> Floor - **FAO Restaurant** fixed menu (**reservation is requested**): from 12.00 to 14.30 hours: *ext.56823 - tel.0657056823* from outside FAO
  - Building C 8<sup>th</sup> Floor - **FAO Open Buffet** - fixed price buffet: from 12.00 to 14.30 hours: *ext.56823 - tel.0657056823* from outside FAO
  - Building C 8<sup>th</sup> Floor - **Blue Bar**: from 08.00 to 15.00 hours
  - Building D Ground Floor - **Bar D**: from 07.30 to 17.30 hours
- ATM (*Bancomat*) and credit cards are accepted at the Cafeteria, Restaurant, Open Buffet, Polish Bar and Blue Bar. **Vending machines and water dispensers** are available in various locations throughout the building.

**Meditation Room (A250 Ter.)** Available for use by Council participants.

**Cloakroom** A cloakroom is situated at the main entrance (Building A) on the right-hand side.

#### Secretariat of the 155<sup>th</sup> Session of the Council

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#### Side Events

<b>Monday, 5 December</b>	Launch of the joint CIHEAM-FAO Publication <i>Mediterra 2016: "Managing and Promoting the Mediterranean Resources: Waste Challenges and Innovation for Natural Resources, Food and Knowledge"</i> 12.30 - 13.30 - Sheikh Zayed Centre (Ground Floor, Atrium)
	World Soil Day Celebration 2016: " <i>Soils and pulses, symbiosis for life</i> ", and International Year of Pulses 2016: End of Year Celebration 18.00-19.30 - Sheikh Zayed Centre (Ground Floor, Atrium)
	Reception hosted by the Kingdom of Thailand 19.30 - Atrium
<b>Tuesday, 6 December</b>	FAO's role in supporting the implementation of the Comprehensive Rural Reform for the realization of peace in Colombia 12.30-14.00 - Sheikh Zayed Centre (Ground Floor, Atrium)
<b>Wednesday, 7 December</b>	The Role of Agriculture in National Adaptation Planning after COP22 12.30-13.30 - Iran Room (Room B116, Building B)
	Launch of the FAO publication: " <i>The future of food and agriculture: trends and challenges</i> " 13.30-14.30 - Sheikh Zayed Centre (Ground Floor, Atrium)
<b>Thursday, 8 December</b>	Using National and Global Agricultural Data for Evidence-based Policy-making 12.30-13.30 - Iran Room (Room B116, Building B)
<b>Friday, 9 December</b>	<i>Peste des Petits Ruminants</i> Global Eradication Programme (PPR-GEP) 13.00-14.30 - Iran Room (Room B116, Building B)