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Calendar of FAO Governing Bodies and other Main Sessions 2017-19

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 2017 is given in *Appendix A* for information. The provisional calendar for 2018 given in *Appendix B* is presented to the Council for approval, while the proposed sequence of meetings for 2019 is provided for information. Changes made since the publication of *Appendix C* to the Final Report of the 157th 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 158th Session of Council is requested to approve the proposed calendar for 2018 and to take note of the draft calendar for 2019.

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Appendix A

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

	2017	
JANUARY	16 CGRFA	30/1-3/2
FEBRUARY	165 FC (WFP) IFAD/GC WFP	7-8 13-17 20-24
MARCH	104 CCLM 166 FC 121 PC	13-15 27-31 27-31
APRIL	IFAD/EB 156 CL	10-14 24-28
MAY	167 FC (WFP)	29-31
JUNE	WFP	12-16
JULY	40 C 157 CL 40 CODEX	3-8 10 17-22 (Geneva)
AUGUST		
SEPTEMBER	IFAD/EB	11-15
OCTOBER	44 CFS WFD 105 CCLM	9-13 16 (Monday) 23-25
NOVEMBER	168 FC (WFP)* 169 FC* 122 PC WFP 123 PC*	2-3 6-10 6-10 13-17 21
DECEMBER	158 CL IFAD/EB	4-8 11-15

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

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ARC	Regional Conference for Africa	ERC	Regional Conference for Europe
C	Conference	FC	Finance Committee
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
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CODEX	Codex Alimentarius Commission	WFD	World Food Day
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(*) Change compared to Calendar submitted to the previous Council session

Appendix B

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	2018		2019	
JANUARY				
FEBRUARY	IFAD/GC 30 ARC WFP	12-16 19-23 26/2-2/3	IFAD/GC 17 CGRFA WFP	11-15 18-22 25/02-01/03
MARCH	35 LARC* 106 CCLM	5-8 12-14	108 CCLM 172 FC 126 PC*	11-13 18-22 18-22
APRIL	34 APRC* IFAD/EB 5 INARC** 34 NERC	9-13 16-20 16-20 23-27	161 CL IFAD/EB	8-12 15-18
MAY	31 ERC* 170 FC* 124 PC*	16-18 21-25 21-25		
JUNE	159 CL WFP	4-8 18-22	WFP 41 C	10-14 22-29
JULY	41 CODEX 33 COFI 24 COFO	2-6 (Rome) 9-13 16-20	162 CL 42 CODEX	1 8-12
AUGUST				
SEPTEMBER	IFAD/EB 72 CCP	10-14 26-28	IFAD/EB	9-13
OCTOBER	26 COAG WFD 45 CFS 107 CCLM	1-5 16 (Tuesday) 15-20 22-24	46 CFS WFD 109 CCLM	14-18 16 (Wednesday) 21-23
NOVEMBER	171 FC* 125 PC* WFP*	12-16 12-16 26-29	173 FC 127 PC* WFP	4-8 4-8 18-22
DECEMBER	160 CL IFAD/EB	3-7 10-14	163 CL IFAD/EB	2-6 9-13

Easter:	1 April 2018	Easter:	21 April 2019
Orthodox Easter:	8 April 2018	Orthodox Easter:	28 April 2019
Ramadan:	16 May – 14 June 2018	Ramadan:	6 May – 4 June 2019
Eid Al-Fitr:	15 June 2018	Eid Al-Fitr:	5 June 2019
Eid Al-Adha:	22 August 2018	Eid Al-Adha:	12 August 2019

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