



Partnerships

*IFAD Strategy and
Knowledge Sharing*



Knowledge building

- What we learn in the context of this Route and specially in terms of establishing partnerships will assist in furthering understanding of the new Partnership Strategy adopted by IFAD in September 2012



Rationale

- Partnerships are of growing importance to virtually all organizations, in the private as well as in the public sector
- Increasingly complex international aid architecture, characterized by a greater number of state and non-state actors
- knowledge-intensive ways of working, drawing on broad for multi sectorial support and the best available expertise



Priorities

- Partnerships are a prerequisite for scaling up
- Partnerships with specialized impact assessments organizations are needed to determine poverty reduction efforts
- Partnerships with the private sector are needed for sustainable investments in rural areas
- Partnerships with governments, the private sector and farmer organizations are essential for better policy dialogue



The Partnership Strategy

Objectives and scope



Partnerships: A definition

Collaborative relationships between institutional actors that combine their complementary strengths and resources and work together in a transparent, equitable and mutually beneficial way to achieve a common goal or undertake specific tasks. Partners share the risks, responsibilities, resources and benefits of that collaboration and learn from it through regular monitoring and review.



IFADs Partners

- Member governments
- Civil society organizations
- Other financial institutions
- Research centres, NGOs and foundations
- Regional organizations and regional economic commissions
- Private sector



Partnerships for

- Resource mobilization for investment
- Scaling up successful initiatives
- Policy dialogue and advocacy
- Knowledge management, lessons learning and communications
- Enhanced organizational efficiency



Partnership mechanisms

- Loans
- Grant, including grants to for-profit entities
- Supplementary funds
- Institutional partnerships



Lessons Learned

- Engaging private-sector actors more systematically in country and project-level programming;
- Using engagement in policy dialogue to promote a more conducive rural business environment
- Enabling smallholders and the rural poor to gain better access to markets and value chains;
- Increasing information and communications technology activities

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Thank you