



## CAFI Executive Board Decision Cameroon

No-Cost Extension of the Preparatory Grant Project to support the  
“Project to support the sustainable intensification and agroecological  
transition of agriculture implemented by the International Fund for  
Agricultural Development (00140520)

**Adopted by e-mail on 17.10.2024**  
**EB.2024.35**

### Considering:

- Decision [EB.2023.08](#) approving the Call for Expressions of Interest for the implementation of the start-up phase projects of the CAFI Cameroon Partnership (2023/02/CMR);
- CAFI Secretariat’s approval of funding, on behalf of the Executive Board, for the [Preparatory Grant IFAD](#) to support the Project sustainable intensification and agroecological transition of agriculture implemented by the International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD) on 30 November 2023 ;
- The originally approved timeline of the project, from 01 December 2023 to 01 December 2024;
- The respect of CAFI/MPTF reporting requirements through a submission of a semi-annual narrative report by IFAD on 30 August 2024;
- The International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD)’s letter dated 29 July 2024 requesting a no-cost extension of the preparatory grant for a further 12 months up to December 1<sup>st</sup> 2025, adjusting the project workplan.

### The Executive Board:

1. Thanks the International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD) referred here as “implementing organization” for their progress assessment and justification provided to demand a non-cost extension.

2. Approves the no-cost extension of the project for 12 months, until 1 December 2025.
  
4. Recalls that, while respecting its rules and regulations, the implementing organization commits to apply zero tolerance towards fraud, corruption, sexual exploitation and abuse; to protect whistleblowers; to inform the public; to promote gender equality and social inclusion; and to use appropriate complaint mechanisms. In addition, the implementing organization commits to carefully managing all other contextual and programmatic risks identified by the Board and should act proactively in reporting these risks to CAFI's Multi-Partner Trust Fund Office, in accordance with the Terms of Reference of CAFI's Trust Fund.
  
5. Recalls that feasibility studies and the design of projects and programmes should place strong emphasis on (i) gender inclusion, including in terms of sex-disaggregated data, (ii) human rights and non-discrimination, (iii) conflict prevention and resolution, in particular with regard to land tenure, (iv) monitoring and learning, while ensuring strong alignment with the CAFI results framework, (v) analysis of the link with forest conservation, (vi) analysis of opportunities for scale-up and means to achieve them , (vii) analysis of risks of corruption and conflicts of interest, as well as the stakeholders likely to gain or lose as a result of the initiative, (viii) the use – to the extent possible – of local references and analysis with respect to potential beneficiaries, market opportunities and income opportunities for smallholders and economic viability, limitations and risks; (ix) clear integration and interlinkages between the various interventions proposed; (x) a clear exit/sustainability strategy; (xi) a robust analysis and management of risks (incl. land tenure and fire).
  
6. Recalls that the implementing organization will have to report on progress toward both the objectives and milestones of (as relevant) the Letter of Intent as well as on indicators of CAFI's results framework in accordance with CAFI guidelines and templates. In addition, it will have to provide CAFI with all reports and data (raw and analyzed) from household's surveys and other field studies including spatial information (i.e. GPS coordinates) and information on how their activities are addressing and respecting CAFI social and environmental safeguards.
  
7. Reminds the implementing organization of its reporting obligations under the current CAFI Operations Manual, in terms of both narrative and financial reports.