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**INTERNATIONAL LABOUR ORGANISATION  
and  
INTERNATIONAL FUND  
FOR AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT**

**Agreement on co-operation. Signed at Rome on 6 December  
1978**

*Authentic texts: French and English.*

*Filed and recorded at the request of the International Labour Organisation  
on 22 December 1978.*

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**ORGANISATION INTERNATIONALE DU TRAVAIL  
et  
FONDS INTERNATIONAL  
DE DÉVELOPPEMENT AGRICOLE**

**Accord de coopération. Signé à Rome le 6 décembre 1978**

*Textes authentiques : français et anglais.*

*Classé et inscrit au répertoire à la demande de l'Organisation internationale  
du Travail le 22 décembre 1978.*

## AGREEMENT<sup>1</sup> BETWEEN INTERNATIONAL LABOUR ORGANISATION AND INTERNATIONAL FUND FOR AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT

Dated 6 December 1978

### PREAMBLE

WHEREAS the International Labour Organisation (hereinafter called the "ILO") and the International Fund for Agricultural Development (hereinafter called the "Fund") are both concerned with raising the employment levels and conditions of life in developing countries and particularly those of the poorest populations and desire to cooperate with each other in order to attain their common objectives; and

#### WHEREAS

- (i) Article 12, paragraph 1, of the Constitution of the ILO provides that the ILO shall cooperate within the terms of that Constitution with public international organizations having specialized responsibilities in related fields; and
- (ii) Article 8, section 2, of the Agreement establishing the International Fund for Agricultural Development provides that the Fund shall cooperate closely with the organizations of the United Nations system.

NOW THEREFORE the ILO and the Fund have agreed as follows:

#### *Article I. COOPERATION AND CONSULTATION*

*Section 1.1.* The ILO and the Fund agree that, with a view to facilitating the achievement of their common objectives and to promoting a harmonious approach to rural development, rural employment promotion, skill development and institutional support, they shall act in close cooperation and shall consult each other regularly on matters of mutual concern.

*Section 1.2.* The ILO and the Fund shall cooperate fully on terms and conditions satisfactory to each other. The Fund, in carrying out its functions, will make use, as it deems appropriate, of the services and expertise of the ILO.

*Section 1.3.* Any activity carried out by the ILO or the Fund pursuant to this Agreement shall be consistent with the policies, criteria and regulations laid down by the respective governing organs of each organization.

#### *Article II. AREAS OF COOPERATION*

*Section 2.1.* For the purpose of identifying, preparing and appraising projects suitable for financing by the Fund, the ILO shall provide to the Fund such advice and assistance as may be agreed between the Parties.

*Section 2.2.* In addition, the ILO may bring to the notice of the Fund any situation encountered in the normal course of ILO operations in which the Fund's assistance is likely to foster the common purposes of the Parties.

*Section 2.3.* The ILO and the Fund shall also cooperate in the provision of technical assistance to developing countries to further their common aims, in accordance with arrangements to be agreed upon from time to time.

<sup>1</sup> Came into force on 6 December 1978 by signature, in accordance with section 6.1.

*Section 2.4.* Subject to such arrangements as may be necessary to safeguard the confidentiality of any information or document, the ILO and the Fund shall provide each other with all such data, documents and information as may be necessary for any activity to be carried out under this Agreement.

*Section 2.5.* To the extent determined from time to time by mutual agreement, the ILO and the Fund shall provide maximum assistance to each other in the preparation of studies in areas of mutual concern.

*Section 2.6.* The ILO and the Fund shall cooperate in the collection, analysis, publication and dissemination of statistical information with a view to avoiding undesirable duplication, enhancing the effectiveness of their statistical activities and minimizing the burden on governments and organizations from which such information is collected.

### *Article III. ADMINISTRATIVE ARRANGEMENTS*

*Section 3.1.* The ILO and the Fund shall cooperate to facilitate the interchange, loan or secondment of staff and to promote administrative efficiency and effective coordination of their respective activities.

### *Article IV. RECIPROCAL REPRESENTATION*

*Section 4.1.* The Fund shall invite the ILO to be represented at meetings of the Governing Council and such other meetings held under the auspices of the Fund which are not restricted to statutory membership and are of interest to the ILO, and to participate without the right to vote in their deliberations on items on their agenda in which the ILO has an interest.

*Section 4.2.* The ILO shall invite the Fund to be represented at the meetings of the International Labour Conference, the Governing Body of the International Labour Office and such other meetings held under the auspices of the ILO as are of interest to the Fund, and to participate without the right to vote in their deliberations on items on their agenda in which the Fund has an interest.

### *Article V. FINANCIAL ARRANGEMENTS*

*Section 5.1.* The Fund shall bear all direct and additional indirect costs of the services performed by the ILO at the request of the Fund in pursuance of this Agreement, in accordance with the detailed arrangements to be agreed upon between the Parties.

### *Article VI. FINAL PROVISIONS*

*Section 6.1.* This Agreement shall enter into force on the date on which it is signed by the duly authorized representatives of the ILO and the Fund.

*Section 6.2.* This Agreement may be modified with the consent of the two Parties in accordance with their respective constitutional procedures.

*Section 6.3.* This Agreement may be terminated by mutual agreement or may be denounced by either Party giving the other Party six months' written notice. Notwithstanding the expiry of a notice of termination, the Parties agree that the provisions of this Agreement shall remain in full force to the extent necessary to permit the orderly conclusion of any activity undertaken pursuant to this Agreement.

*Section 6.4.* The Director-General of the ILO and the President of the Fund may enter into such supplementary arrangements within the scope of this Agreement

as may be desirable in the light of the operating experience of the two organizations to implement this Agreement.

IN FAITH WHEREOF the President of the Fund, duly authorized by the Executive Board of the Fund and the Director-General of the International Labour Office, duly authorized by the Governing Body of the International Labour Office, have signed the present Agreement in two copies, in French and English, both texts being equally authentic.

International Labour Organisation:

[Signed]

FRANCIS BLANCHARD  
Director-General of the  
International Labour Office

International Fund  
for Agricultural Development:

[Signed]

ABDELMUHSIN M. AL-SUDEARY  
President of the International  
Fund for Agricultural  
Development

Done at Rome, Italy, on 6 December 1978

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