WFP Governance

A brief introduction



What to expect...



- How governance is conducted
- What the WFP Executive Board is and how it is constituted

 Who are the other main actors and facilitators in the governance process

The Executive Board



Board Members oversee the organization's activities



The Executive Board



Impressions of a formal session of the Executive Board









Where WFP Fits in UN System





The United Nations System



UN Principal Organs

General Assembly

Security Council

Economic and Social Council

Secretariat

International Court of Justice

> Trusteeship Council⁶

Subsidiary Organs

Main and other sessional committees Disarmament Commission Human Rights Council International Law Commission Standing committees and ad hoc bodies

Funds and Programmes

UNDP United Nations Development Programme

- UNCDF United Nations Capital Development Fund
- UNV United Nations Volunteers

UNEP[®] United Nations Environment Programme UNFPA United Nations Population Fund

UN-HABITAT United Nations Human Settlements

WFP World Food Programme (UN/FAC)

Research and Training

UNIDIR United Nations Institute for Disamament Research

UNITAR United Nations Institute for Training

UNSSC United Nations System Staff College **UNU** United Nations University

Other Entitles

ITC International Trade Centre (UN/WIO)

UNCTAD 1,8 United Nations Conference on rade and Development

UNHCR Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees

UNOPS United Nations Office for Project

UNRWA United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East

UN-Women United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women

Related Organizations

CTBTO Preparatory Commission

Preparatory Commission for the Comprehensive Nuclear Test Ban Treaty Organization

IAEA^{1,3} International Atomic Energy Agency ICC International Criminal Court

ISA International Seabed Authority

ITLOS International Tribunal for the Law

OPCW³ Organisation for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons

WTO^{1,4} World Trade Organization

Subsidiary Organs

International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda (ICTR)

International Criminal Tribunal for the former Yugoslavia

Mechanism for International Criminal Tribunals (MICT) Military Staff Committee

Peacekeeping operations and political missions Sanctions committees (ad hoc) Standing committees and ad hoc bodies

Advisory Subsidiary Body

Peacebuilding Commission

HLPF High-level Political forum on austrinophia development

Functional Commissions

Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice Narcolic Drugs

Population and Development

Science and Technology for Development Social Development

Statistics

Status of Women

United Notions Forum on Forests

Regional Commissions®

ECA Economic Commission for Africa **ECE** Economic Commission for Europe

ECLAC Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean

ESCAP Economic and Social Commission for Asia

ESCWA Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia

Other Bodies

Committee for Development Policy

Committee of Experts on Public Administration Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations

Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues

UNAIDS Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS

UNGEGN United Nations Group of Experts on Geographical Names

Research and Training

UNICRI United Nations Interregional Crime and Justice Research Institute

UNRISD United Nations Research Institute for Social

Specialized Agencies 1,5

FAO Food and Agriculture Organization of

ICAO International Civil Aviation Organization

IFAD International Fund for Agricultural

ILO International Labour Organization **LMF** International Monetary Fund

IMO International Maritime Organization ITU International Telecommunication Union

UNESCO United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization

UNIDO United Nations Industrial Development Organization

UNWTO World Tourism Organization **UPU** Universal Postal Union

WHO World Health Organization WIPO World Intellectual Property

Organization

WMO World Meteorological Organization World Bank Group

. IBRD International Bank for Reconstruction and Development

- IDA International Development
- IFC International Finance Corporation

Departments and Offices EOSG Executive Office of the Secretary-General

DESA Department of Economic and Social Affairs

DFS Department of Field Support **DGACM** Department for General Assembly

and Conference Management **DM** Department of Management

DPA Department of Political Affairs

DPI Department of Public Information **DPKO** Department of Peacekeeping Operations

DSS Department of Safety and Security

OCHA Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs

OHCHR Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights

OIOS Office of Internal Oversight Services **OLA** Office of Legal Affairs

OSAA Office of the Special Adviser on Africa PBSO Peacebuilding Support Office

SRSG/CAAC Office of the Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Children and Armed Conflict

SRSG/SVC Office of the Special Representative of the Secretary-General on Sexual Violence in Conflict UNISDR United Nations Office for Discater

Risk Reduction

UNODA United Nations Office for Disarmament Affairs UNODC United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime

UNOG United Nations Office at Geneva

UN-OHRLLS Office of the High Representative for the Least Developed Countries, Landlocked Developing Countries and Small Island Developing States

UNON United Nations Office at Nairobi UNOP 2 United Nations Office for Partnerships

UNOV United Nations Office at Vienna

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WEA and OPCW report to the Security Council and the GA.

WTO has no reporting obligation to the GA, but contributes on an ad hoc basis to GA and Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC) work on, inter alla, finance and development issues.

Specialized agencies are autonomous arganizations whose work is accordinated through ECOSOC (intergovernmental level)

and CTS Date asymptotic level. The Trusteehip Council suspended operation on 1 November 1994, as on 1 October 1994 Palau, the last United Nations Trust

International Centre for Sathement of Investment Disputes (ICSD) and Multilateral Investment Guarantee Agency (MIGA) are not specialized agencies but are part of the World Bank Group in accordance with Articles 57 and 63 of the Charter.

The secretariats of these organs are part of the UN Secretariat.

This Chart is a reflection of the functional organization of the United Nations System and for Information purposes only. It does not include all offices or entities of the United Nations System.

Five Governance Facts about WFP



Established jointly by the UN General Assembly and FAO as a 3-year pilot in 1961

From 1961 to 1975 WFP was governed by an Intergovernmental Committee

In 1976 the UN General Assembly and FAO replaced the Committee with a 42-member Committee on Food Aid Policies and Programmes (CFA)

In 1994, following General Assembly Resolution 48/162, the CFA was transformed into a 36-member Executive Board to govern WFP alone, effective 1 January 1996

Also in 1994, the WFP Mission Statement was adopted, the first for a UN agency

Quick Rome-based Agency Comparison



FAO

- 197 members: 194
 members, 2 associate
 members, & 1 member
 organization (EU)
- 1 vote per member
- 2 governing bodies: Council (chaired by an independent rep elected by Conference), and Conference (highest body)
- Various committees (Programme, Finance, CCLM, etc.)

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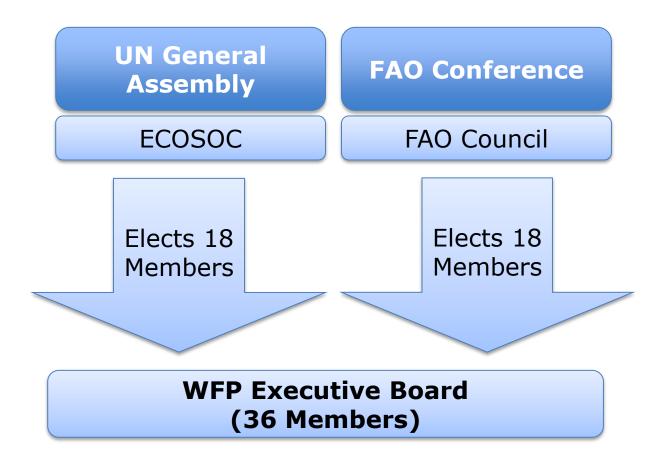
- 166 members represented by Governors (hybrid UN IFI)
- Weighted voting (membership and contribution)
- 2 governing bodies: Executive Board (chaired by IFAD President) & Governing Council (highest body)
- 2 main committees: Audit & Evaluation

WFP

- Out of 193 UN & 197
 FAO members: 36
 members, 1 special &
 permanent observer
 (EU)
- 1 vote per member
- Reports to 2 governing bodies: ECOSOC & FAO Council
- 3 advisory committees: Audit (external), FAO Finance Committee & ACABQ (comprised of UN member states)

How the Executive Board is Constituted





How Governance at WFP Works



WFP Governance

Executive Board (36 Member Nations)

- Intergovernmental oversight
- Specific policy direction
- Approves programme projects and WFP activities

WFP Secretariat (WFP Management)

- Administers WFP
- Implements projects and programmes
- Provides accountability

How the Executive Board is Constituted



The regional make-up of the Executive Board membership

List A

Africa

• 8 members

List B

Asia & Middle East

• 7 members

List C

Latin America & the Caribbean

5 members

List D

N. America, W. Europe, Japan, Australia, New Zealand

• 12 members

List E

Eastern Europe

• 3 members

- + 1 rotational seat
- From list A, B, C
 from FAO

Quick facts about Executive Board sessions



Three formal sessions annually:

- First Regular Session (February)
- Annual Session (June)
- Second Regular Session (November)

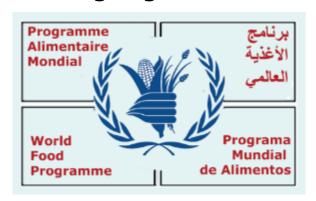
Documents tabled can be:

For Approval

For Consideration

For Information

Board Languages:



Decisions are made by consensus

The Executive Board Bureau





2016 WFP Executive Board Bureau

- **President**: H.E. Stephanie Hochstetter Skinner-Klée (Guatemala, List C)
- **Vice President**: Mr Vimlendra Sharan (*India, List B*)*
- Member: Ms Anna-Marie Moulton (South Africa, List A)
- **Member**: Ms Vibeke Gram Mortensen (Denmark, List D)
- **Member**: Mr Zoltán Kálmán (Hungary, List E)

*Replaced by H.E. Anil Wadhwa (India. List B) on 14 November 2016

What role does the Executive Board Bureau have?

- Plans the work of the Board
- Shares information and promotes dialogue between List members and the Secretariat
- Facilitates consensus among and between Lists outside of formal sessions

WFP Governance Project (1999-2005)



Governance group formulated to improve 3 major Board functions: info-sharing, consensus building & decision-making

Objectives:

- Strengthen governance
- Make the Board more strategic, efficient and effective

Outcomes:

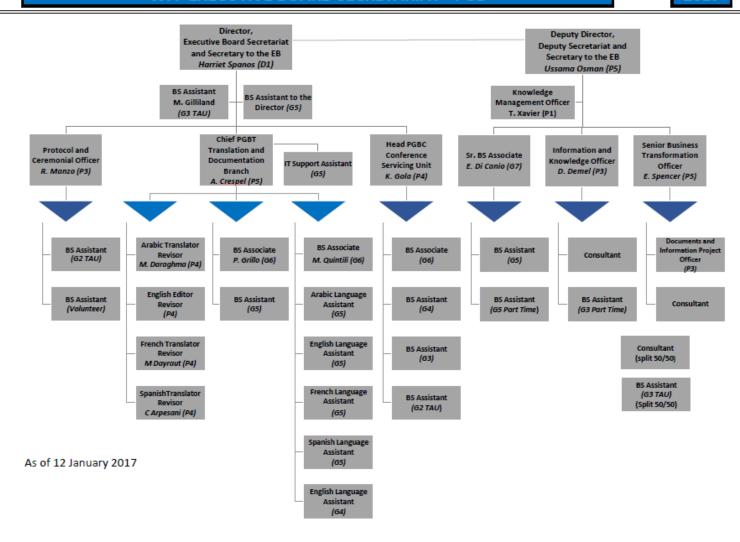
- Strategy framework
- Policy framework codification and regular review
- Oversight framework
- Accountability framework

How the Board Secretariat is made up



WFP EXECUTIVE BOARD SECRETARIAT - PGB

2017



Executive Board Secretariat







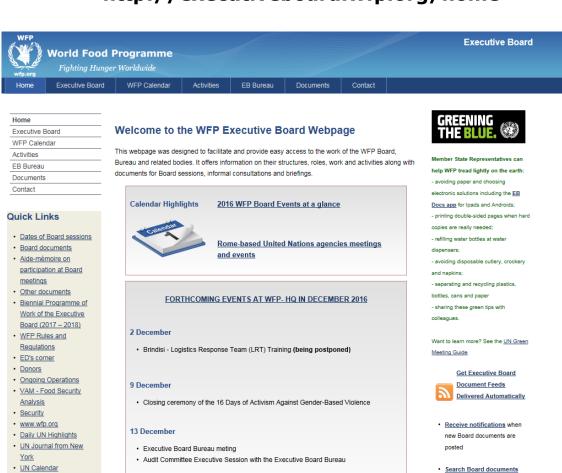
What does the Executive Board Secretariat do?

- Interface/Facilitator between Board & WFP Management
- Services provider to Board and Bureau
- Liaison with Permanent Representations
- Secretariat support to WFP Audit Committee

How you can connect with us



The Executive Board Secretariat Website: http://executiveboard.wfp.org/home



dating back to 1996 by session, title, country, category or governance framework

ECOSOC

EBdocs App

