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Draft Council decision on IFAP Bureau's recognition of best accomplishments or projects of excellence by National IFAP Committees

The Intergovernmental Council for the Information for All Programme,

Recalling the mandate, programme objectives and implementation principles laid down for the Programme in the Decision 3.6.1 of the Executive Board that established it at its 160th session,

Recalling that the programme's specific objectives are set our in its <u>Strategic Plan (2008-2013)</u> endorsed by the Executive Board at its 180th session in October 2008,

<u>Mindful</u> of the central importance of National IFAP Committees in implementing the Information for All Programme,

<u>Taking into account the revised Guidelines for the Creation and Operation of National Committees of the Information For All Programme</u> as adopted at this session of the Council,

<u>Taking also into account</u> the results of discussions on this topic during the First Consultation Meeting of National Committees for the Information for All Programme (Moscow, 7-8 December 2009),

<u>Decides</u> that IFAP should recognize each year activities or projects of National IFAP Committees that best contribute to the promotion of Information for All in the five priority areas of IFAP: information for development, information literacy, information preservation, information ethics and information accessibility;

<u>Invites</u> National IFAP Committees to inform the IFAP Bureau by the end of each calendar year of forms of activity or projects in each of those areas that best contribute to implementing IFAP goals and promote Information for All;

<u>Requests</u> the Bureau to assess entries sent in by National IFAP Committees and recognize the best accomplishments or projects of excellence in each of the five priority areas from the previous year by the end of March of the succeeding year;

<u>Requests</u> the Bureau to seek partners from among international institutions, the private sector or NGOs in mobilizing financial incentives for National IFAP Committees whose projects or activities won special recognition in this procedure.