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ANNOTATIONS TO THE PROVISIONAL AGENDA

<u>Item 1 - Opening of the Session</u>

The Fifty-first Session of the Committee will be chaired by Ms. Marjukka Mähönen (Finland) and Mr. Dambis Kaip (PNG) as Vice-Chairperson.

Item 2 - Adoption of Agenda and Organization of Work

[Document CRF(LI)/1]

The Committee may consider the Provisional Agenda and adopt the Agenda for the session. On the organization of work, it is to be noted that the schedule of meetings for the work of the Committee will be determined after usual consultations. The Committee may also constitute the usual informal open-ended working group(s) to assist in the consideration of specific matters related to the Agenda. Items 4 and 6 of the Agenda, will be considered at the joint session of the Committees.

Item 3 - Admission of Observers

The Committees may admit those observers as approved by the Council to attend the session as observers.

<u>Item 4</u> - <u>Report of the Expert Panel for Technical Appraisal of Project Proposals</u>

[Documents ITTC/EP-52]

Pursuant to Annex B of ITTC Decision 4(XXV), the general observations of the reports produced by the Expert Panel shall be considered under this item in a joint session of the Committees. The report of the Fifty-second Expert Panel, including the general observations, is contained in document ITTC/EP-52.

Item 5 - New Projects and Pre-projects

[Documents ITTC/EP-52]

The Committee may note the following projects and pre-projects which have been approved under the time-bound electronic no objection procedure to accept Expert Panel ratings and circulated to member countries pursuant to ITTC Decision 6(XLIII), following the recommendations of the Expert Panel for the Technical Appraisal of Project Proposals at its Fifty-second Meeting held in Yokohama, Japan on 5-9 June 2017, as contained in document ITTC/EP-52.

Fifty-second Expert Panel

Category 1:

PD/PPD NUMBER	TITLE	SUBMITTING COUNTRY
PD 812/16 Rev.2 (F)	Promoting Community-Level Forest Landscape Planning, Diversification, Restoration and Protection to Reduce Forest Degradation and Improve Biodiversity and Local Livelihoods	Ghana
PD 836/17 Rev.1 (F)	Enhancing Capacity of Local Communities and Forest Administration to Effectively Implement Community Forestry Programme (CFP) in Kratie and Mondulkiri Provinces of Cambodia	Cambodia
PD 853/17 Rev.1 (F)	Forest Fire Prevention and Response in Tropical Forests and Forest Plantations in Peru	Peru
PD 861/17 Rev.1 (F)	Carbon Storage in Timber Producing Forests as a Value Criterion in Rural Communities in the Yucatan Peninsula, Mexico	Mexico
PPD 186/16 Rev.2 (F)	Establishment of Enabling Conditions for the Restoration and Sustainable Development of Forests in the Southern Area of the Sierra De Lacandon National Park, Maya Biosphere Reserve, Guatemala	Guatemala
PPD 189/17 Rev.1 (F)	Development of A Full Project Proposal to Generate Tools to Ensure the Establishment of Timber Forest Species through Natural Regeneration in the Province of Tahuamanu, Peru	Peru

Category 1 but not subject to the time-bound electronic no-objection (*)

PD/PPD NUMBER	TITLE	SUBMITTING COUNTRY
PD 828/16 Rev.2 (F)	Land Management, Sustainable Forest Management and Commercial Production in Kichwa and Siekopal Communities of the Ecuadorian Amazon Region	Ecuador

^(*) Project proposal not adequately revised to address the recommendations of the Expert Panel

Category 4:

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PD/PPD NUMBER	TITLE	SUBMITTING COUNTRY
PD 827/16 Rev.1 (F)	Promoting Sustainable Forest Management in Indigenous Lands of the Ecuadorian Amazon through Improved Access to Forest Product Value Chains	Ecuador
PD 833/17 (F)	Improving the Genetic Base for Teak Plantation Establishment in Ghana	Ghana
PD 834/17 (F)	Capacity Building for Sustainable Management of Natural Tropical Forests in Colombia	Colombia
PD 850/17 (F)	Strengthening of Sustainable Forest Management through Pilot Experiences for Integrated Utilisation of Forest Value-Adding Potential in Ethnic Group Lands in the Colombian Pacific Region	Colombia
PD 854/17 (F)	Promoting the Sustainable Production and Utilization of Mahoganies for Timber and Non-Timber Products by Industrial and Community Stakeholders in the West African Region	Ghana
PD 862/17 (F)	Capacity Building for the Establishment of Forest Plantations in South-East Mexico	Mexico

Rating schedule for Project proposals

Category 1: The Panel concluded that the proposal could be commended to the Committee with incorporation of amendments.

Category 4: The Panel concluded that it could not commend the proposal to the Committee, and submits it to the Committee with the recommendation not to approve the Project proposal. Justification should be given to the proponent and the Committee (e.g. complete reformulation is necessary; in case of Rev.2 Project proposals; Project not relevant; Project with insufficient information, etc.)

Item 6 - ITTO Annual Market Discussion - 2017

This item will be taken up in the joint session of the Committees. The theme of the ITTO Annual Market Discussion - 2017 as proposed by the Trade Advisory Group (T-A-G) and endorsed at the Fiftieth Session of the Committees is "Sharing Experiences on promoting investment in tropical timber industries and tropical forestry". An information note detailing the schedule and speakers for the ITTO Annual Market Discussion - 2017 will be circulated prior to the session.

Item 7 - Report on Completed Projects and Pre-projects

[Document CRF(LI)/2]

The Committee may consider the report prepared by the Secretariat, as contained in document CRF(LI)/2, on the following project that may be declared complete:

7.1 Completed Project(s)

1) PD 682/13 Rev.1 (F) Development of Quality-of-Governance Standards for Reducing Emissions from Deforestation and Forest Degradation (REDD) in Papua New Guinea

7.2 Completed Pre-projects

None.

Item 8 - Ex-post Evaluations

(A) Ex-post Evaluation Reports

The Committee may recall that the following projects by thematic groups were selected for ex-post evaluation by the Committee at its Forty-ninth Session:

1) Thematic Group Evaluation: Forest Management / Inventory

PD 142/02 Rev.2 (F)	Sustainable Production of National Forests under the "Regime of Forest Concessions" (Brazil)
PD 248/03 Rev.4 (F)	Antimary Forest Management Regional Training Centre (Brazil)
PD 438/06 Rev.2 (F)	Sustainable Forest Management for the Forest Production Area of the Northern and Northeastern Regions of the Department of Antioquia, Colombia

2) Thematic Group Evaluation: Biodiversity Conservation / Conservation Areas

PD 165/02 Rev.3 (F)	Conservation of Biological Diversity through Sustainable Forest Management Practices (Malaysia)
PD 288/04 Rev. 2 (F)	Development of Lanjak Entimau Wildlife Sanctuary as a Totally Protected Area, Phase IV (Final Phase) (Malaysia)
PD 451/07 Rev.1 (F)	Transboundary Biodiversity Conservation Area:The Pulong Tau National Park, Sarawak State, Malaysia - Phase II

3) Thematic Group Evaluation: Forest Rehabilitation / Landscape Restoration / Secondary Forest Management

PD 372/05 Rev.1 (F)	Contribution to Forest Rehabilitation in Thailand's Areas Affected by Tsunami Disaster
PD 501/08 Rev.1 (F)	Promoting Household Reforestation in Tropical Zone of Southwestern China through Development and Extension of Household-Oriented Techniques

4) Thematic Group Evaluation: Improvement and Conservation of Genetic Resources

PD 54/00 Rev.4 (F)	Genetic Resistance of Iroko to Phytolyma lata – Phase II (Côte d'Ivoire)
PD 377/05 Rev.3 (F)	Development of Cloning for Samba (Obéché), West African Mahogany and Tiokoué Tree Species (Côte d'Ivoire)
PD 419/06 Rev.3 (F)	Forest Seeds Management and Conservation (Côte d'Ivoire)

5) Thematic Group Evaluation: Teak

PD 270/04 Rev.2 (F)	Ex-situ and In-situ Conservation of Teak (<i>Tectona grandis</i> L.F.) to Support
	Sustainable Forest Management (Myanmar)

- a) Ex-post evaluation of PD 270/04 Rev.2 (F)
- b) Thematic assessment of all completed projects on Teak in cooperation with TEAKNET, IUFRO, FAO, and other relevant organizations/institutions.

The Committee may also recall that the results of the ex-post evaluation of PD 270/04 Rev.2 (F) under the Thematic Group of Teak were presented at the Committee at its Fiftieth Session while four other selected Thematic Group evaluations were not conducted due to funding constraints resulting from the impairment of ITTO funds.

(B) Selection of Projects for Ex-post Evaluation

The Committee may consider extending the list of ex-post evaluations 2015-2016 for a period of 2018-2019 with identification of a priority among the four Thematic Groups (Forest Management / Inventory, Biodiversity Conservation / Conservation Areas, Forest Rehabilitation / Landscape Restoration / Secondary Forest Management, Improvement and Conservation of Genetic Resources).

Item 9 - Policy Work

ITTC policy work instructions to Committees, pursuant to ITTC Decision 4(XXV) include:

- Restructure the agendas of the Committees to include a separate agenda item for policy work;
- Use the current ITTO Action Plan, the policy-relevant aspects of the ITTO Biennial Work Programme, the findings of completed projects and Council Decisions as the primary basis for identifying items for policy development; and
- Decide during each session of each Committee those subjects which will be discussed under the agenda item "Policy Work" during its next session and agree upon the way to prepare for such a discussion in the Committee.

The Committee may consider the progress in the implementation of the following policy-related matters:

- (i) Promote the publication, dissemination and application of the ITTO Voluntary Guidelines for the Sustainable Management of Natural Tropical Forests [Activity 4 (b), Extension of the ITTO Biennial Work Programme 2015-2016 / Decision 2(LII)] [CRF(LI)/4]
 - The Secretariat will report on the implementation of this activity.
- (ii) Strengthening cooperation and collaboration between ITTO and African member countries on C&I and related topics, in relation to the outcomes of the Second Regional Workshop on the ITTO Voluntary Guidelines for the Sustainable Management of Natural Tropical Forests [Decision 4(XXIX)] [PD 124/01 (M)] [CRF(LI)/4] [new Activity under Biennial Work Programme 2018-2019]
 - The Secretariat will report on the implementation of this Activity.
- (iii) Contribute to national and international efforts in the prevention and management of fire in tropical timber-producing forests [Activity 14 (b), Extension of the ITTO Biennial Work Programme 2015-2016]
 - The Secretariat will update the implementation of this Activity.
- (iv) Promote the conservation, restoration and sustainable management of mangrove ecosystems [Activity 10, Extension of ITTO Biennial Work Programme 2015-2016 / Decision 2(LII)]
 - The Secretariat will update the implementation of this Activity.
- (v) Promote the implementation of guidelines for the management of secondary tropical forests, the restoration of degraded tropical forests and the rehabilitation of degraded forest land [Activity 14(a) and (b), ITTO Biennial Work Programme 2013-2014 / Decision 2(XLVIII)]
 - The Secretariat will report on the implementation of this Activity.
- (vi) Developments in the UNFCCC regarding Forests and their Potential Implications for Tropical Forests and the World Tropical Timber Economy [Decisions 2(XXXIX) and 1(XLI)]
 - The Secretariat will report on the implementation of this Activity.

<u>Item 10</u> - <u>Biennial Work Programme of the Committee for 2018-2019</u>

[Document ITTC(LIII)/7]

In accordance with the recommendation by the Council, the Committee may wish to discuss and consider the draft ITTO Biennial Work Programme for 2018-2019, as contained in document ITTC(LIII)/7, particularly the section pertaining to the strategic policy activities of the Committee.

<u>Item 11</u> - <u>Review of Projects and Pre-projects in Progress</u>

[Document CRF(LI)/3]

In order to further streamline its work, the Committee, in accordance with ITTC Decision 4(XXV), Annex A, Section VI, requested that reporting and discussion during the Session be limited to projects and pre-projects that are:

- having implementation problems;
- requiring additional funds;
- requesting extension in time of more than six months beyond the original duration of the project; or
- requesting essential major modifications of the work plan and budget.

The Committee may consider the report prepared by the Secretariat as contained in document CRF(LI)/3 on the progress or status of projects, pre-projects and activities approved for financing and implementation by the Council. The status of some projects, pre-projects and activities may change from the time this agenda is distributed to the time document CRF(LI)/3 is prepared and the time the Session is convened. The report covers the following:

11.1 Projects

(A) Projects under implementation

1)	PD 383/05 Rev.2 (F)	Community Forest Development in Gabon
2)	PD 419/06 Rev.3 (F) EXT	Forest Seeds Management and Conservation; Project for Rehabilitation and Restoration of Degraded Forests in Côte d'Ivoire with the Involvement of Local Communities (Refugees, Internally Displaced People and Local Populations) (Côte d'Ivoire)
3)	PD 450/07 Rev.2 (F,I)	Capacity Building for CDM Forestry in the Framework of SFM Emphasizing Community Forests and Poverty Alleviation in Ghana
4)	PD 452/07 Rev.5 (F)	Sustainable Management of Production Forests at the Commercial Scale in the Brazilian Amazon – Phase II (Brazil)
5)	PD 454/07 Rev.3 (F)	Community Forest Management: A Sustainable Alternative for the Maues State Forest, Amazonas State (Brazil)
6)	PD 456/07 Rev.4 (F)	Building the Capacities of Forestry Training Institutions Members of the Network of Central African Forestry and Environmental Training Institutions (RIFFEAC) for Providing SFM Training for Forest Concessions "Capacity Building for Sustainable Management of Tropical Rainforests and Biodiversity Conservation in the ITTO Congo Basin Countries" (Regional)
7)	PD 470/07 Rev.1 (F)	Development and Implementation of Criteria and Indicators for Sustainable Management of Planted Forests and Community Forests (Thailand)
8)	PD 477/07 Rev.4 (F)	Improving Forest Functions in Bengkulu Province through Community Participation in Rehabilitation of Degraded Forest by Using Local Prospective Commodities (Indonesia)
9)	PD 495/08 Rev.4 (F)	Guatemalan Forest Productivity Information System (Guatemala)
10)	PD 507/08 Rev.1 (F)	Development of the National Reforestation Policy and Afforestation Strategy Consistent with Liberia 3C-Approach (Liberia)

11)	PD 528/08 Rev.1 (F)	Towards Sustainable Indigenous Mahogany Timber Producion in Ghana: Phase II, Refining the Silvicultural "Tool Kit" and Practical Training for Industrial-Foresters and Community Farmers (Ghana)
12)	PD 530/08 Rev.3 (F)	Phase II of ITTO Project [PD 30/97 Rev.6 (F)] Management of Forests Established through Rehabilitation of Degraded Forests by Local Communities in Ghana
13)	PD 552/09 Rev.1 (F)	Encouraging Customary Landowners in the Lowlands of Papua New Guinea's Central Porvince to Reforest their Grasslands with High Value Trees (PNG)
14)	PD 563/09 Rev.5 (F)	Community Based Forest Management of Sungai Medihit Watershed (Malaysia)
15)	PD 601/11 Rev.3 (F)	Strengthening Mangrove Ecosystem Conservation in the Biosphere Reserve of Northwestern Peru
16)	PD 602/11 Rev.3 (F)	Tropical Forest Governance in the Region of Darien, Panama
17)	PD 617/11 Rev.4 (F)	Promoting Biodiversity Conservation in Betung Kerihun National Park (BKNP) as the Trans-boundary Ecosystem between Indonesia and State of Sarawak Malaysia - Phase III (Indonesia)
18)	PD 635/12 Rev.2 (F)	Development of Guidelines for Buffer Zone Management for Pulong Tau National Park and Involvement of Lcoal Communities in Management, Sarawark, Malaysia
19)	PD 646/12 Rev.3 (F)	Initiating the Conservation of Cempaka Tree Species (<i>Elmerrillia spp</i>) Through Plantation Development with Local Community Participation in North Sulawesi, Indonesia
20)	PD 653/12 Rev.1 (F)	Sustainable, Mixed and Pure Forest Plantation Development in the Transitional Zone of Ghana's Biakoye District Assembly, Employing Poverty Reduction Strategies (Ghana)
21)	PD 668/12 Rev.1 (F)	Integrated Management of Natural Resources and Biodiversity in the Tacaná Volcano and Its Range of Influence in Mexico and Guatemala
22)	PD 696/13 Rev.2 (F)	Community Based Restoration and Sustainable Management of Vulnerable Forest of the Rewa Delta, Viti Levu, Fiji
23)	PD 710/13 Rev.1 (F)	Promoting Conservation of Selected High-value Indigenous Species of Sumatra (Indonesia)
24)	PD 721/13 Rev.3 (F)	Building a Participatory and Inclusive Sustainable Forest Management Process for the Reduction of Deforestation and Forest Degradation in the Ixil Forest Areas of the Municipality of Nebaj, Quiché, Guatemala
25)	PD 725/13 Rev.2 (F)	Rehabilitation of Degraded Forest Land in the Ahua Forest Reserve by the Women Members of Association Malebi in Compensation for the Forest Resources Removed to Meet the Need for Fuel Wood (Charcoal and Fire Wood) (Côte d'Ivoire)
26)	PD 740/14 Rev.2 (F)	Sustainable Forest Management Through REDD+ Mechanisms in Kampong Thom Province (Cambodia)
27)	PD 741/14 Rev.3 (F)	Capacity Building for Sustainable Management of Tropical Dry Forests on the North Coast of Peru
28)	PD 754/14 Rev.3 (F)	Rehabilitation and Sustainable Management of Sacred Forests on Ramsar Sites 1017 and 1018 in Benin

(B) Projects awaiting implementation agreer

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1)	PD 723/13 Rev.2 (F)	Capacity Building for Strengthening Transboundary Biodiversity Conservation of the Taninthayi Range in Myanmar – Phase I Stage 1
2)	PD 764/14 Rev.3 (F)	Enabling Customary Landowners to Participate Effectively in Community Forest Management Schemes Within 6 Pilot Areas of PNG
3)	PD 765/14 Rev.3 (F)	Development of A Forest Landscape Restoration Program for Guatemala Based on ITTO Guidelines – Phase I
4)	PD 777/15 Rev.3 (F)	Accelerating the Restoration of Cibodas Biosphere Reserve (CBR) Functions through Proper Management of Landscapes Involving Local Stakeholders (Indonesia)
(C)	Projects awaiting finan *Those projects with an next Session.	ncing sterisk (approved but not funded within 20 months) will be sunset by the
1)	*PD 690/13 Rev.4 (F)	Bamboo for Life: An Alternative for the Rehabilitation of Degraded Forests and Sustainable Rural Development in the Peruvian Amazon Region (Peru)
2)	*PD 712/13 Rev.2 (F)	Enhancing the Implementation of Landscape Management of Giam Siak Kecil-Bukit Batu Biosphere Reserve (GSK-BR) in Riau Province of Sumatra Island, Sumatra (Indonesia)
3)	*PD 713/13 Rev. 2 (F)	Operationalising the Policy on Sustainable Management of Sandalwood Resource Through Improved Livelihood and Increased Participation of Local Communities (Indonesia)
4)	PD 723/13 Rev.2 (F)	Capacity Building for Strengthening Transboundary Biodiversity Conservation of the Taninthayi Range in Myanmar – Phase I Stage 2
5)	*PD 735/14 Rev.2 (F)	Enhancing Partnership Efforts to Restore Peat Swamp Forests in Sumatra (Indonesia)
6)	*PD 736/14 Rev.1 (F)	Enhancing Conservation and Sustainable Production of Indonesian Rosewood (Dalbergia spp) (Indonesia)
7)	*PD 739/14 Rev.1 (F)	Initiating the Conservation of Eboni Species (Diospyros celebica Bakh) Involving Local Stakeholders in Sulawesi (Indonesia)
8)	PD 776/15 Rev.2 (F)	Enhancement of the Wildland Fire Prevention and Control System for the Sustainable Management of ONAB's Plantations (Benin)
9)	PD 780/15 Rev.3 (F)	Sustainable Indigenous Mixed Species Reforestation, Plus Climate-Resilient Women Livelihoods in Six Rural Communities in Ghana's Akwapim and Upper Krobo Districts
10)	PD 802/15 Rev.2 (F)	Building the Capacity of Local Village Communities for the Restoration, Management and Governance of the Founou and Wani Forest Reserves in the Macina District, Segou Region, Mali
11)	PD 812/16 Rev.2 (F)	Promoting Community-Level Forest Landscape Planning, Diversification, Restoration and Protection to Reduce Forest Degradation and Improve Biodiversity and Local Livelihoods (Ghana)
12)	PD 822/16 Rev.1 (F)	Production, Conservation and Sustainable Management of Forest Seeds in Benin

13)	PD 824/16 Rev.1 (F)	Promoting Sustainable Development and Utilization of Kemenyan (Styrax spp.) Resource Involving Local Stakeholders in Toba Region of North Sumatra Province, Indonesia
14)	PD 836/17 Rev.1 (F)	Enhancing Capacity of Local Communities and Forest Administration to Effectively Implement Community Forestry Programme (CFP) in Kratie and Mondulkiri Provinces of Cambodia
15)	PD 853/17 Rev.1 (F)	Forest Fire Prevention and Response in Tropical Forests and Forest Plantations in Peru
16)	PD 861/17 Rev.1 (F)	Carbon Storage in Timber Producing Forests as a Value Criterion in Rural Communities in the Yucatan Peninsula, Mexico

11.2 Pre-projects

(A) Pre-projects under implementation

None.

(B) Pre-projects awaiting implementation agreement

None.

(C) Pre-projects awaiting financing

* Those pre-projects with asterisk (approved but not funded within 20 months) will be sunset by the next Session.

1)	*PPD 184/15 Rev.2 (F)	Development of Payment for Environmental Services Scheme for Local Community Groups and Private Developer Forest Plantations in Degraded Lands, Ghana
2)	*PPD 185/16 Rev.1 (F)	Saving Timber Yielding Rare Endemic and Threatened Species of Western Ghats, India by Promoting Agro-forestry and Reforestation of Degraded Lands (India)
3)	PPD 186/16 Rev.2 (F)	Establishment of Enabling Conditions for the Restoration and Sustainable

Development of Forests in the Southern Area of the Sierra De Lacandon National Park, Maya Biosphere Reserve, Guatemala

4) PPD 189/17 Rev.1 (F) Development of A Full Project Proposal to Generate Tools to Ensure the Establishment of Timber Forest Species through Natural Regeneration in the Province of Tahuamanu, Peru

Item 12 - Election of Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson for 2018

The election of the Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson for 2018 will be the subject of the usual consultations within the Council and the Committees.

Item 13 - Dates and Venues of the Fifty-second and Fifty-third Sessions of the Committee

The dates and venues of the Fifty-second and Fifty-third Sessions of the Committee are determined in relation to the dates and venues fixed by the Council for its Fifty-fourth and Fifty-fifth Sessions.

Item 14 - Other Business

The Committee may discuss any other matters raised under this item.

Item 15 - Recommendations to the International Tropical Timber Council

The Committee may consider recommendations to the Council on projects, pre-projects, policy work and any other matters concerning reforestation and forest management.

<u>Item 16</u> - <u>Report of the Session</u>

The Committee may consider and adopt a report containing its recommendations to the Council. The Committee may request the Chairperson to present the report during the Fifty-third Session of the Council for consideration and adoption.

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