

TWENTIETH SESSION
15-23 May 1996
Manila, Philippines

DECISION 3(XX)

STRENGTHENING THE PROJECT CYCLE

The International Tropical Timber Council,

Recalling Decision 8(XVIII) on Strengthening the Project Cycle;

Welcoming the interim report of the independent consultants on the strengthening of the ITTO Project Cycle;

Decides to:

1. Invite Members to submit their views on possible ways of strengthening the Project Cycle to the Executive Director by 20 July 1996;
2. Request the Executive Director to continue engaging the consultants to explore possible ways to strengthen the Project Cycle, including project assessment, drawing on views expressed by all members, including those expressed during the Twentieth Session of the Council, and in close collaboration with the Panel of Experts for Technical Appraisal of Project Proposals;
3. Extend the August 1996 meeting of the Expert Panel by two days in order to enable them to identify and elaborate options for improving the Project Cycle and to undertake further discussions with the consultants on their report;
4. Request the consultants to prepare a final report, based on input from member countries and the Expert Panel and including operational recommendations, in time for members to study the report prior to its discussion by the Council at its Twenty-first Session in November, 1996;
5. Encourage members to contribute to the Special Account for implementation of the consultancy and the two-day extension of the Twelfth Meeting of the Expert Panel.

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