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THE INTERNATIONAL YEAR OF FORESTS, 2011 AND THE 25th ANNIVERSARY OF ITTO

The International Tropical Timber Council,

Welcoming resolution 61/193 of the United Nations General Assembly proclaiming 2011 as the International Year of Forests (IYF);

Noting that the International Tropical Timber Organization was established in 1986 and, therefore, 2011 is ITTO's 25th Anniversary;

Noting the initiatives proposed by ITTO in Council document ITTC(XLVI)/12 for the IYF and the plans being developed for joint initiatives by the Collaborative Partnership on Forests (CPF) for the IYF;

Recognizing the many significant contributions ITTO has made to sustainable forest management (SFM) throughout the tropics over the past 25 years and the need to ensure that the public and policy makers are made aware of these;

Decides to:

1. Request the Executive Director to undertake activities, including those described in the Annex, for the IYF and the celebration of ITTO's 25th Anniversary, and to collaborate wherever possible with other CPF organizations;
2. Authorize the Executive Director to seek voluntary funding to allow the implementation of paragraph 1 above; and
3. Requests the Executive Director to report to the next Session of the Council on the implementation of this Decision and its outcomes.

Annex

Indicative list of activities to be undertaken during 2011 for the IYF and ITTO's 25th Anniversary

| Activities from the 2010-2011 Biennial Work Programme | | |
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| Activity | Total BWP Budget | Estimated Additional/Activity Cost |
| Special TFU issue with relevant CPF and other partner input | \$650,000 | \$75,000 |
| Launch of SFM Tropics 2010 report in three languages and associated public relations events in selected countries | \$150,000 | \$150,000 |
| Publication of revised SFM Guidelines | \$130,000 | \$50,000 |
| Asian forest tenure conference | \$300,000 | \$100,000 |
| Preparation and publication of educational materials showing the importance of tropical forests (through ITTO's CEEP programme) | \$300,000 | \$50,000 |
| Side-events and participation at UNFF9, UNFCCC COP 17, Forest Day 5 and other important forest fora | \$175,000 | \$50,000 |
| Production of posters, pamphlets, calendar and other outreach materials | | \$5,000 |
| Sub-total | -- | \$480,000 |
| New Activities | | |
| Three regional meetings to celebrate entry into force of ITTA, 2006 and 25 th Anniversary of ITTO's founding (including possible high-level regional forum in conjunction with the Forty-seventh session of the Council in Guatemala) | -- | \$60,000 |
| Publication of ITTO success stories focusing on successful field projects to promote SFM | -- | \$20,000 |
| Co-sponsoring UNFF-led conference on community forests and income generation | -- | \$20,000 |
| Co-sponsoring other selected UNFF-led initiatives such as forest film festival, forest art exhibition, etc. | -- | \$5,000 |
| Participation in and contributions to national initiatives (e.g. launching of a forest conservation project under public-private partnership in Chico Mendes Reserve, Acre State, Brazil; and possible support to Acre State celebrations of the International Year of Forests) | -- | \$25,000 |
| Preparation of a public service announcement for airing in relevant media (in collaboration with UNFF and other CPF partners) | -- | \$20,000 |
| Sub-total | -- | \$150,000 |
| Total | -- | \$630,000 |