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REPORT OF THE ITTO FELLOWSHIP SELECTION PANEL

(Item 18 of the Provisional Agenda)

1. Fellowship selection for 2012 was conducted electronically. However, the Panel met once during the Forty-eighth Session of the ITTC to finalize the selection of successful applicants for the Autumn 2012 Cycle. The Selection Panel was composed of:

Chairperson: Mr. Jose Trinidad Suazo Bulnes (Vice-Chairperson, ITTC)

Producers: Ms. Valeria Rigueira (Brazil)

Mr. Musah Abu-Juam (Ghana) Mr. Edward Goberdhan (Guyana) Dr. Teguh Rahardja (Indonesia)

Consumers: Mr. Malcolm Jamieson (Australia)

Ms. Yoshiko Horiguchi (Japan) Mr. Bjorn Merkell (Sweden) Ms. Jerilyn Levi (U.S.A.)

And supported by:

Secretariat: Mr. E. Collins Ahadome

Dr. Chisato Aoki

2. The Selection Panel considered a total of 138 applications made up of 77 applications from Africa, 38 from Asia/Pacific, 18 from Latin America and Caribbean region and 5 applications from developed consumer countries. Three percent of the applications were in the field of Economic Information and Market Intelligence (EIMI); 7% in the field of Forest Industry (FI) and 91% in the field of Reforestation and Forest Management (RFM). Twenty eight percent of the applications were submitted by female applicants.

While reviewing these 138 applications, the Panel used the following selection criteria:

- (i) Consistency of the proposed activities with the ITTO fellowship programme's objective and priority areas;
- (ii) Qualifications of the applicants to undertake the proposed fellowship activities;
- (iii) Applications and benefits of the skills and knowledge to be acquired or advanced under the fellowship activities; and
- (iv) Reasonableness of costs in relation to the proposed activities.
- 3. The Panel took into account the balance among the three subject areas and regions as well as the opportunity to promote the participation of women. The Panel recommends to the Council to award twenty-three fellowships, subject to the availability of funds at a total cost of US\$148,435. Women account for 43% of the recommended applicants. Fifty-two percent of the recommended applicants are from Africa, 31% from Asia/Pacific, 13% from Latin America and Caribbean region and 4% from a consumer country. The recommended applicants are listed in the Appendix to this report.
- 4. The Panel recommended that nationals of member countries with cumulative arrears in contribution to the Administrative Account should not be eligible for ITTO Fellowship awards.

5. The Selection Panel members for the Year 2013 were also invited to the Panel meeting and were informed of the fellowship selection procedure and timeline for 2013. The 2013 Selection Panel is composed of:

Chairperson: Vice-Chairperson, 49th Session of ITTC

Producers: Mr. Bekolo Bekolo (Cameroon)

Mr. Jose Trinidad Suazo Bulens (Honduras) Dr. Teguh Rahardja (Indonesia)

Consumers: Ms. Yoshiko Horiguchi (Japan)

Mr. Jung-Hwan Park (Korea)
Ms. Ellen Shaw (U.S.A.)

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APPENDIX

LIST OF APPROVED FELLOWSHIPS (Report of the Fellowship Selection Panel)

Autumn 2012 Fellowship Cycle

App. No.	Name	Nationality	Subject				
COMMITTEE ON FOREST INDUSTRY							
060/12A	Bandoh, William Kwame Nuako	Ghana	Short Training Course on "Application of Molecular Genetic Markers for Timber Tracking in Africa," at Kenya Forestry Research Institute in Nairobi, Kenya				
045/12A	Maza Rojas, Byron Vinicio	Ecuador	Lecture Tour and Workshop on Demonstration of Forest Industry in Chile at the University of Lagos in Paillacar Alberto Silva, Chile				
047/12A	Mensah, John Kobina	Ghana	Short Training Course on "Application of Molecular Genetic Markers for Timber Tracking in Africa" at Kenya Forestry Research Institute in Nairobi, Kenya				
108/12A	Saha Tchinda, Jean-Bosco	Cameroon	Short Training Internship on "Recovery of Waste Wood through the Isolation of Molecules with High Potential: Case of Waste of Azobe, Padouk, Tali and Moabi" at CIRAD in Montpellier, France				
206/12A	Wahyudi,	Indonesia	Publication and Dissemination of Textbook of Non-Timber Forest Products (in Indonesian)				
COMMITTEE ON REFORESTATION AND FOREST MANAGEMENT							
106/12A	Akpene, Afiwa Dzibgoci	Togo	Preparation of Technical Document on "Development of a Strategy for Improving the Performance of Teak in Togo"				
118/12A	Arellano Nicolás, Edith	Mexico	Master's Program in Management and Conservation of Tropical Forests and Biodiversity at CATIE in Turrialba, Costa Rica				
142/12A	Assogbadjo, Achille Ephrem	Benin	Preparation of Technical Document on "Assessing Population Structure and Dynamics of the Declining Afzelia africana Sm. Tree Species for Its Sustainable Management in the Protected Areas of Benin (West Africa)"				

186/12A	Fongnzossie, Fedooung Evariste	e Cameroon	Research on "Assessment of Vulnerability to Climate Change in Adjacent Community of Mangrove Forests in Manoka Island, Litoral Region in Cameroon"
175/12A	Geply, Johnson Jlokpeh	Liberia	Ph.D. Research on "Assessment of Liberia Forest Policy and Administration Before and After the Civil War" at the University of Ibadan in Ibadan, Nigeria
138/12A	Heindorf, Claudia	Germany	Preparation of Technical Document entitled "Manual of Sustainable Forestry Practices in the Tropics of Mexico that Increases Productivity and Contributes to National Goals of Mitigating the Effects of Climate Change"
024/12A	Javaregowda, Javaregowda	India	Short Training Course on "Competing Claims on Natural Resources: Professional Qualities for Managing Conflict in Natural Resource Management towards Sustainable Development" at Wageningen UR Centre for Development Innovation in Wageningen, the Netherlands
193/12A	Kurniawan, Yuyun	Indonesia	Masters Research on "Tropical Forest Dynamic after Logging; A Comparison Study between RIL and Non- RIL Practices in Relation with Biodiversity and Forest Carbon Stock" at the University of Mulawarman in Indonesia
109/12A	Maroundou, Audrey Pamela	Gabon	Short Training Internship on "Method and Techniques of GIS" at Institute of Tropical Ecology in Toulouse, France
200/12A	Massou, Pamera Bibi-ntu	Côte d'Ivoire	Ph.D. Research on "Quantifying the Spatial and Temporal Variation in Aboveground Biomass (AGB) in the Tropical Forest of Congo Basin under the REDD+ Context" at the University of Tübingen, Germany
061/12A	Minn, Yazar	Myanmar	World Teak Conference 2013 in Bangkok, Thailand
063/12A	Ndiade Bourobou, Dyana	Gabon	Short Training Course on "Application of Molecular Genetic Markers for Timber Tracking in Africa" at Kenya Forestry Research Institute in Nairobi, Kenya
049/12A	Njurumana, Gerson Ndawa	Indonesia	Ph.D. Research entitled "Environmental Conservation Development on Kaliwu System at Sumba Island" at Gadjah Mada University in Yogyakarta, Indonesia
143/12A	Opoku-Ameyaw, Adu	Ghana	Masters Research on "Seasonality and Environmental Determinants of Total and Component Soil CO2 Efflux in an Intact Tropical Moist Semi-Deciduous Forest in Ghana" at Kwame Krumah University of Science and Technology in Kumasi, Ghana

139/12A	Romero Rodriguez, Irma Betty	Peru	XXV Intensive International Course on Diversified Management of Tropical Natural Forests at CATIE in Turrialba, Costa Rica
198/12A	Saw, Aye Aye	Myanmar	Master's Research on "Simulation Model of Community Based Mangrove Ecosystem Conservation and Rural Development in Myanmar: Case Study in Wunbaik Mangrove of Rakhine Coastal" at Kyoto University in Kyoto, Japan
122/12A	Tonouewa, Murielle Jesugnon	Benin	Short Training Internship on "Physical and Mechanical Characterization of Wood Gmelina arborea Roxb. of Benin" at CIRAD in Montpellier, France
166/12A	Wong, Melissa	Malaysia	IUFRO Annual Forest Tree Workshop in conjunction with Plant and Animal Genomes XXI Conference in San Diego, U.S.A.

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