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DECISION 1(XLVIII)

PROJECTS, PRE-PROJECTS AND ACTIVITIES

The International Tropical Timber Council,

Having considered at its Forty-eighth Session the recommendations of the three Committees on Projects, Pre-Projects and Activities, as contained in documents CEM-CFI(XLVI)/6 , and CRF(XLVI)/10; and the report of the Eighteenth Meeting of the Panel on Sub-Account B of the Bali Partnership Fund as contained in document ITTC(XLVIII)/16;

Noting that the time-bound electronic no objection procedures to accept Expert Panel Ratings for Projects and Pre-Projects and requests for their funding were conducted during the project cycle for Spring and Autumn 2012;

1. Decides to:

(i) Endorse the approval obtained through the time-bound electronic no objection procedure for the following Projects and Pre-Projects:

(a) Spring project cycle for 2012:

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| PPD 160/12 Rev.1 (F) | Study for the Rehabilitation and Sustainable Management of the Mangrove Forests in the Coastal Area of Benin (Benin) ITTO Budget: \$72,900.00 |
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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)
ITTO Budget: \$245,272.00

(b) Autumn project cycle for 2012:

PPD 151/11 Rev.3 (F) Support to the Local Communities of the Mono Plain for the Promotion and Sustainable Management of Community Forests in Togo (Togo)
ITTO Budget: \$50,340.00

PPD 161/12 Rev.1 (I) Formulation of a Project Proposal for the Development of the Tara (Caesalpinia spinosa) Production Chain in the Andean Region, Peru and Ecuador (Peru)
ITTO Budget: \$86,076.00

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PD 628/11 Rev.3 (F) Strengthening of Forest Management Practices of Local Communities and Indigenous Peoples in Guatemala (Guatemala)
ITTO Budget: \$472,505.00

PD 635/12 Rev.2 (F) Development of Guidelines for Buffer Zone Management for Pulong Tau National Park and Involvement of Local Communities in Management, Sarawak, Malaysia (Malaysia)
ITTO Budget: \$517,450.00

PD 655/12 Rev.1 (I) Capacity Building of the Builders' Woodworks Industry in the Philippines (Philippines)
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PD 661/12 Rev.1 (I) Towards Sustainable Utilization of Bamboo Resources in Ghana: Development of Glued Bamboo Beams and Boards for Affordable Housing and Furniture in Ghana through Collaboration with Local Communities in Two Districts (Ghana)
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- 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 (Guatemala)
ITTO Budget: \$641,638.80
- PD 671/12 Rev.1 (I) Boosting Investments in the Processing and Marketing of Forest Products in Atalaya (Peru)
ITTO Budget: \$993,438.00
- PD 673/12 Rev.1 (F) Strengthening the Capacity in Forest Law Enforcement and Governance of the Permanent Forest Estates in Kratie and Mondulhiri Provinces of Cambodia (Cambodia)
ITTO Budget: \$464,033.00
- PD 678/12 Rev.1 (M) Establishment of a National Forest Statistics information Management System in Benin (Benin)
ITTO Budget: \$398,704.00

- (ii) Endorse the approval obtained through the time-bound electronic no objection procedure for the amendments in the project proposals including budget and/or re-submission of the following Project which was approved earlier:

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| PD 549/09 Rev.3 (I,F,M) | \$635,918.00 |
| Provenance Evaluation, Wood Technological Characterization and Market Survey for Balsawood (<i>Ochroma pyramidale</i> Cav.) in the Lancandon Forest, Chiapas, Mexico (Mexico) | |

- (iii) Approve the extension with additional funding for the following Project which was approved earlier:

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| PD 617/11 Rev.3 (F) | \$691,632.00 |
| Promoting Biodiversity Conservation in Betung Kerihun National Park (BKNP) as the Trans-boundary Ecosystem between Indonesia and State of Sarawak Malaysia – Phase III (Indonesia) | |
| Total ITTO Budget including additional funding: | |
| \$1,283,191.20 | |

- (iv) Authorize the financing for immediate implementation of the Projects, Pre-Projects and Activities as listed in the Annex 1 to this Decision; and
- (v) Authorize the financing for immediate implementation of the Projects, Pre-Projects and Activities as listed in the Annex 2 to this Decision, as soon as earmarked funds are available in the Special Account or in the Bali Partnership Fund Account.
2. Urges Members to consider financing those approved Projects, Pre-projects and Activities for which funds are not immediately available,
 3. Appeals to Members to make unearmarked contributions to the Thematic Programmes Subaccount and the Special Account,
 4. Further appeals to Members to also make voluntary contributions to the Bali Partnership Fund, particularly to the Sub-Account B of this Fund to finance Projects, Pre-projects and Activities to assist Members in achieving the Year 2000 Objective of ITTO, and
 5. Requests the Executive Director to continue consultations with potential donors and the Common Fund for Commodities in order to secure financing for those Projects, Pre-projects and Activities for which funds are not immediately available.

ANNEX 1

**Financing during 2012 for the immediate implementation
of the Projects, Pre-Projects and Activities
as listed below**

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| (i) | Approved during the 2012 project cycles: | |
| | 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) | \$245,272.00 |
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| | PD 678/12 Rev.1 (M) Establishment of a National Forest Statistics information Management System in Benin (Benin) | \$398,704.00 |
| (ii) | Approved in the earlier project cycles: | |
| | 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 Concessions (ITTO) – balance fund (partial) | \$226,290.00 |
| | 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) | \$338,256.00 |

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| PD 581/10 Rev.2 (F) Establishing a Geographic Information System for the Sustainable Management of the Forest Areas of Togo (Togo) | \$345,840.00 |
| PD 617/11 Rev.3 (F) Promoting Biodiversity Conservation in Betung Kerihun National Park (BKNP) as Trans-boundary Ecosystem between Indonesia and State of Sarawak Malaysia – Phase III (Indonesia) – Partial funding for additional budget | \$350,000.00 |
| PP-A/47-270 Communications and Outreach: 2012 Partial funding | \$50,000.00 |
| PP-A/39-162A ITTO CITES Programme Additional funding | \$1,926,217.20 |
| PP-A/30-102B ITTO-RCEN Intensifying Major Groups Involvement in the Implementation of UNFF Decisions | \$347,000.00 |
| Freezailah Fellowship Fund Balance of Budget Year 2012 | \$200,000.00 |
| PD 73/89 (M,F,I) Assistance for Project Identification and Formulation Additional funding for Pre-feasibility Study | \$210,000.00 |
| (iii) Activities approved in the Biennial Work Programme for the years 2013-2014: | |
| PP-A/48-271 ITTO Meeting of Partners of the Congo Basin Forest Partnership (ITTO Biennial Programme Activity: 3) Budget for Year 2013 | \$100,000.00 |
| PP-A/ 39-162A Enhance cooperation between ITTO and CITES (ITTO Biennial Programme Activity: 8) Budget for Year 2013: partial funding | \$250,000.00 |
| PP-A/48-272 Make provision for an additional 2-3 national workshops on C&I under Decision 4(XXXIV), incorporating related topics such as auditing, certification, international reporting requirements, etc. into the workshop curricula. (ITTO Biennial Programme Activity: 10(a)) Budget for Years 2013-2014: partial funding | \$50,000.00 |
| PP-A/ 48-273 Convene an expert meeting to review the ITTO C&I in the light of experience gained in compiling the SFM Tropics reports, recommendations from national C&I workshops, revision of ITTO guidelines and policy papers, the review of field level implementation of the C&I carried out in 2010-2011 and developments in international forestry (e.g. climate change). Print the revised C&I following Council approval (ITTO Biennial Programme Activity: 10(b)) Budget for Years 2013-2014: partial funding | \$50,000.00 |

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| PP-A/48-274 Participate in international C&I related meetings/discussions/ initiatives, including the CPF Task Force on Streamlining Forest Reporting, initiatives to take advantage of synergies between ITTO and FAO forest reporting (SFM Tropics and FRA) and relevant meetings of other C&I processes. (ITTO Biennial Programme Activity: 10(c)) Budget for Years 2013-2014: partial funding | \$25,000.00 |
| PP-A/ 48-275 Organize an International Forum on Environmental Services with the aim of enhancing the capacity of members to develop strategies to strengthen the contribution of forest environmental services in the implementation of sustainable forest management, and cooperating with relevant institutions and processes to this end. (ITTO Biennial Programme Activity: 12) Budget for Year 2013: partial funding | \$116,588.00 |
| PP-A/48-276 Support to the establishment of a network of learning sites for forest landscape restoration in collaboration with Global Partnership on Forest Landscape Restoration (GPFLR) to promote the consolidation of best knowledge and best practices in forest landscape restoration in selected countries of Asia, Africa and Latin America in line with of the ITTO Guidelines for the Restoration, Management and Rehabilitation of Degraded and Secondary Tropical Forests. (ITTO Biennial Programme Activity: 14(a)) Balance for budget Year 2013 | \$50,000.00 |
| PP-A/ 48-277 Make provisions for ITTO's contributions to the United Nations International Strategy for Disaster Reduction (UNISDR) Global Wildland Advisory Group, and the related Global Wildland Fire Network (GWFN) / Global Fire Monitoring Center (GFMC), and provide support for the Africa, Asia, and Latin America Regional Wildland Fire Networks and other inter-institutional cooperation efforts in their preparatory meetings for the 6th International Wildland Fire Conference to be held in 2015 in South Korea. (ITTO Biennial Programme Activity: 15(b)) Budget for Year 2013: partial funding | \$30,000.00 |
| PP-A/48-278 Participating in, convening side events and exhibiting ITTO outreach materials at relevant international events during the biennium (e.g. TICAD V in June 2013, Rio Convention COPs and related events during 2013-2014 not covered elsewhere, UNFF 10 in 2013, FAO COFO in 2014 and relevant Regional Forestry Commissions in 2013-2014, IUFRO World Congress in 2014, etc). (ITTO Biennial Programme Activity: 20(b)) Budget for Year 2013: partial funding | \$30,000.00 |

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| <p>PP-A/48-279 Develop an ITTO knowledge management strategy and knowledge management guidelines. (ITTO Biennial Programme Activity: 22) Budget for Year 2013</p> | <p>\$150,000.00</p> |
| <p>PP-A/ 48-280 Development of Environmental Product Declaration (EDP) for three tropical wood products. (ITTO Biennial Programme Activity: 23) Budget for Year 2013</p> | <p>\$90,000.00</p> |
| <p>PP-A/ 48-281 Encourage support for the participation of TAG and CSAG members in Council Sessions (ITTO Biennial Programme Activity: 27) Budget for Years 2013 & 2014</p> | <p>\$80,000.00</p> |
| <p>PP-A/48-282 Maintain ITTO's active involvement in the CPF and UNFF by providing relevant inputs, participating effectively in the relevant activities, work and meetings of the UNFF and CPF and shouldering part of the costs of relevant work and activities on the basis of equitable cost-sharing with other members of the CPF. (ITTO Biennial Programme Activity: 28) Budget for Year 2013: partial funding</p> | <p>\$25,000.00</p> |
| <p>PD 99/99 (I) – Freezailah Fellowship Fund Decide on eligible fellowship applications in 2013 and 2014 based on the recommendations of the Fellowship Selection Panel. (ITTO Biennial Programme Activity: 30) Budget for Year 2013: partial funding</p> | <p>\$101,207.73</p> |
| <p>PP-A/48-283 Upon request, provide assistance to member countries to strengthen their statistics collection and enhance reporting. (ITTO Biennial Programme Activity: 34) Budget for Year 2013: partial funding</p> | <p>\$40,000.00</p> |
| <p>PP-A/ 48-284 Support the final revision of the draft revised ITTO Principles and Guidelines for the Sustainable Management of Natural Tropical Forests through the engagement of two consultants (one from a producer member country and the other from a consumer member country) with the objectives of restructuring them in two components such as core and optional components and of simplifying them to ensure their effective implementation. (ITTO Biennial Programme Activity: 35(a)) Budget for Year 2013</p> | <p>\$35,000.00</p> |
| <p>PP-A/48-285 Expert Panel for Technical Appraisal of Project Proposals (ITTO Biennial Programme Activity: 36) Budget for Year 2013 (Including \$15,626.00 allocated from the Unearmarked Fund)</p> | <p>\$155,626.00</p> |

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| PP-A/ 48-286 | \$97,443.00 |
| Promote Resource Mobilization and Partnership of ITTO (ITTO Biennial Programme Activity: 54) Budget for Year 2013: fully funded Budget for Year 2014: partial funding | |

(iv) Additional funds for the continued implementation of the following Thematic Programmes approved earlier:

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| PP-A/ 44-236 | \$446,607.95 |
| Forest Law Enforcement, Governance and Trade (TFLET) Decision 10(XLIV) - Additional Funding: | |

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| PP-A/44-237 | \$300,000.00 |
| Reducing Deforestation and Forest Degradation and Enhancing Environmental Services in Tropical Forests (REDDES) Decision 10(XLIV) - Additional Funding: | |

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| PP-A/44-239 | \$63,625.00 |
| Trade and market Transparency (TMT) Decision 10(XLIV) - Additional Funding: | |

Note: Total pledges during 2012 amount to US\$8,975,210.68.

ANNEX 2

**Financing for the immediate implementation as soon as earmarked funds are available
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