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PROGRESS REPORT ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE ITTO BIENNIAL WORK PROGRAMME FOR 2013-2014

[Decision 2(XLVIII)] [Item 11 of the Provisional Agenda]

This document is prepared pursuant to Council Decision 2(XLVIII), which requested the Executive Director to report on the implementation status of the ITTO Biennial Work Programme for the years 2013 and 2014. The document contains the Work Programme activities as approved in Council Decision 2(XLVIII). The columns on 'Expected SAP Outcomes' and 'SAP Indicators' have been removed to allow inclusion of the additional column on the implementation status of all activities carried out or being undertaken by the Council, the Committees and the Secretariat during the biennium. For information on the columns on 'Expected SAP Indicators' please consult the original BWP 2013-2014 as approved in Council Decision 2(XLVIII).

The Biennial Work Programme (BWP) 2013-2014 as approved in Council Decision 2(XLVIII) includes fifty-four activities grouped in accordance with the strategic priorities identified in the ITTO Strategic Action Plan 2013-2018 plus routine, administrative and financial activities. The activities are under the responsibility of the Council, the Committees and the Secretariat, including sixteen activities under 'regular session's work' with no cost implications, five activities funded from core budget, one activity funded by programme support (Activity 36, Expert Panel), one activity (Activity 26) funded by the TMT Thematic Programme and 31 activities seeking voluntary contributions.

The funding sought under the BWP 2013-2014 was US\$9,416,590, divided into US\$1.241,254 from the core budget, US\$ 280,000 from programme support, US\$15,626 from unearmarked funds and US\$7,879,710 from voluntary contributions. The funding received is shown in Table 1.

Source	US\$ Sought in	US\$	% funding
	Biennium	Received	Received
Core budget	1,241,254	575,627	46.37 %
Programme Support	280,000	140,000	50.00 %
Unearmarked	15,626	15,626	100.00 %
Voluntary Contributions	7,879,710	*2,037,588	25.86 %
Total	9,416,590	2,768,851	29.40 %

Table 1: BWP 2013-2014 Funding by source in US\$

*includes US\$ 123,445 for 2014 for Activity 8 and Activity 54

US\$2,768,851 (29.40%) of the budget sought under this BWP has been received so far, including US\$2,037,588 (25.86%) in voluntary contributions. The status of the voluntary contributions by year and Strategic Priority is shown in Table 2.

Table 2: BWP 2013-2014 Voluntary Contributions sought/received by Strategic Priority

Strategic	V	oluntary \$ sou	ght	Volur	ntary \$ receiv	ed
Priority/	2013	2014	Biennium	US\$	% of	% of
Routine			Total		Biennium	2013
SP 1	\$405,300	\$305,300	\$710,600	\$100,000	14.07 %	24.67 %
SP 2	\$290,000	\$380,000	\$670,000	\$0	0.00 %	0 %
SP 3	\$854,555	\$854,555	\$1,709,110	\$828,000	48.45 %	96.89 %
SP 4	\$950,000	\$375,000	\$1,325,000	\$321,588	24.27 %	33.85 %
SP 5	\$830,000	\$200,000	\$1,030,000	\$270,000	26.21 %	32.53 %
SP 6	\$935,000	\$1,300,000	\$2,235,000	\$418,000	18.70 %	44.70 %
Routine	\$50,000	\$150,000	\$200,000	\$100,000	50,00 %	100.00 %
Total	\$4,314,855	\$3,564,855	\$7,879,710	\$2,037,588	25.86 %	47.22 %

Table 3 shows the total number of activities under each Strategic Priority and under Routine, Administrative and Financial Activities and includes the number and funding status of activities seeking voluntary contributions.

	Strategic Priority	Ac	Activities		ding Sta	itus
		Total	Seeking Vol. Cont.	full	partial	no
1.	Promote Good Governance and Enabling Policy Frameworks for Strengthening SFM and Related Trade, and Enhancing SFM Financing and Investment	3	3	1	-	2
2.	Strategic Priority 2: Increase the Contribution of Tropical Forests to National and Local Economies, Including through International Trade	4	4	-	-	4
3.	Strategic Priority 3: Enhance the Conservation and Sustainable Use of Biodiversity in Tropical Timber Producing Forests	2	2	-	1	1
4.	Strategic Priority 4: Reduce Tropical Deforestation and Forest Degradation and Enhance the Provision of Environmental Services	6	6	-	4	2
5.	Strategic Priority 5: Improve the Quality and Availability of Information on Tropical Forests, Forest Product Markets and Trade	11 ^{1,2}	5	1	2	2
6.	Strategic Priority 6: Build and Develop Human Resource Capacity to Implement SFM and Increase Trade in Forest Goods and Services from Sustainably Managed Forests	9	9	-	7	2
7.	Routine, administrative and financial activities	19 ^{3,4}	2	1	-	1
		54	31	3	14	14

Table 3: Funding status of BWP activities seeking voluntary contributions by Strategic Priority

¹ One activity funded under Thematic Programmes (TMT)

² Five activities funded from Core Budget ³ One activity funded from Programme Support

⁴ Sixteen activities regular sessions' work

Out of the thirty-one activities seeking voluntary contributions, three (9,67%) have been fully funded, fourteen (45,16%) have received partial funding and fourteen (45,16%) remain unfunded. No activities have been funded under Strategic Priority 2.

The categorization of activities by responsible body is reflected in Table 4. Notably, none of the activities proposed by any of the ITTO Technical Committees has received full funding as yet. 66,7% of CRF proposed activities have received partial funding, while this is 33.3% for CFI and CEM. One activity seeking voluntary funding under CFA and Council/JC each, have received full funding.

Responsible Body		tivities	Funding Status		
	Total	Seeking	full	partial	no
		Vol. Cont			
1. Council	25	11	1	6	4
			9,1%	54,5%	36,4%
2. CRF	6	6	-	4	2
				66,7%	33,3%
3. CFI	9	9	-	3	6
				33,3%	66,7%
4. CEM	4	3	-	1	2
				33,3%	66,7%
5. CFA	6	1	1	-	-
			100%		
6. Council/CEM	1	-	-	-	-
7. Council/Joint Committees	1	1	1	-	-
			100%		
8. Council/Committees	1	-	-	-	-
9. Joint Committees	1	-	-	-	-
	54	31	3	14	14

Table 4: Funding status of BWP activities by responsible body

Status, Progress made and Achievements:

Strategic Priority 1:

Under this priority, three activities have been approved, all seeking voluntary contributions. One activity has received full funding and two activities remain unfunded (see Tables 2 & 3).

The Meeting of the Congo Basin Forest Partnership will be convened on 2 - 3 December 2013, at the Heliconia Garden Hotel, which is the same venue as the ITTC-49, in Libreville, Gabon.

Strategic Priority 2:

Under this priority, four activities have been approved, all seeking voluntary contributions. Four activities remain unfunded (see Tables 2 & 3).

Strategic Priority 3:

Under this priority, two activities have been approved, both seeking voluntary contributions. One activity has received partial funding and one activity remains unfunded (see Tables 2 & 3).

Activity 8 continues to assist members to implement CITES listings of timber species. The ITTO-CITES cooperation will be presented to the Council under Item 10 of the provisional agenda, Document ITTC(XLIX)/5

Strategic Priority 4:

Under this priority, six activities have been approved, all seeking voluntary contributions. Four activities have received partial funding and two activities remain unfunded (see Tables 2 & 3). The four activities with partial funding are ongoing and will continue into 2014.

Under Activity 12, the International Forum on Environmental Services of Tropical Forests has been tentatively scheduled for 8-11 April 2014 in San Jose, Costa Rica. The activity is ongoing.

Strategic Priority 5:

Under this priority, eleven activities have been approved. Five activities are funded from core budget and one is funded under the TMT Thematic Programme. Out of the five activities seeking voluntary contributions, one has received full funding, 2 have received partial funding and two remain unfunded.

The five activities supported by the core operational budget are mostly under the responsibility of the Council. They include the publication of the ITTO Tropical Forest Update, TFU (Activity 16), the preparation of the Annual market discussion in collaboration with TAG (Activity 17), the publication of the ITTO Market Information Service, MIS (Activity 18), Support for ITTO outreach activities (Activity 20), Conduct of the Biennial Review and Assessment of the World Timber Situation (Activity 21) and, jointly with CEM, Support to Enhance and Improve the ITTO statistical work and databases (Activity 19). Continuation of the above activities in 2014 will require availability of appropriate resources under the Core Operational budget 2014-2015.

Under Activity 20 initial efforts are being undertaken to re-develop the ITTO website for easier navigation and improved user-friendliness. The effort also includes the development of user access to the ITTO online project database. For this purpose the scope of the database will need to be expanded to include additional documentation, e.g. project documents, completion report, technical reports, promotional materials and expost evaluation reports.

The draft report on Activity 22 "The development of a Strategic ITTO Framework and Guidelines for the Development of an Integrated Knowledge Management System" will be presented to the Joint Committee under Item 3 of the provisional agenda, document ITTC-JC(XLVII/2).

The draft report of Activity 26 to analyze the economic impact of governmental procurement which is funded under the Thematic Programme on Trade and Market Transparency (TMT) will be presented at the Forty-seventh session of the Committee on Economics, Statistics and Markets (CEM) and the Committee on Forest Industry (CFI)

Strategic Priority 6:

Under this priority, nine activities have been approved, all seeking voluntary contributions. Six activities have received partial funding, while three remain unfunded. The six activities with partial funding are ongoing.

Activities under this priority include assistance for the participation of TAG and CSAG at the Forty-ninth Session of the Council, ITTO participation at UNFF10 and the ITTO fellowship programme.

Activity 31 to strengthen the capacity to promote efficient wood processing in producer countries by means of in-house training had already been initialized under the BWP 2012-2011. Provided additional funding will be pledged, the activity will continue in 2014. Activity 33 is ongoing and will continue into 2014.

Under Activity 34 one statistical workshop was held in Haikou, Hainan, China from 1-3 April 2013 and a regional workshop for the Asia-Pacific region is scheduled to be held in China in 2014.

The Draft Revised ITTO Principles and Guidelines for the Sustainable Management of Natural Tropical Forest has been refined and the final report of the consultants will be presented for consideration of the CRF at its Forty-seventh Session under Provisional Agenda Item 9 – Policy Work.

Routine, Administrative and Financial Activities

Under this category, nineteen activities have been approved, including sixteen activities under 'regular sessions work', one activity funded from Programme Support (Activity 36, Expert Panel) and two activities seeking voluntary contributions. Out of the latter one activity has received full funding and one activity remains unfunded.

Under Activity 36, the Forty-fifth and Forty-sixth Expert Panels have been convened in Yokohama, Japan on 4 - 8 February 2013 and 29 July – 2 August 2013 respectively. The reports of the Expert Panel will be presented to the Joint Session of the Committees under Item 1 of the provisional agenda.

Under Activity 54 the Committee of Finance and Administration (CFA) will receive the report of the Working Group on Mobilizing New Funding and Partnerships for ITTO and its Objectives under Item 11 of its Provisional Agenda.

Major Difficulties Encountered:

The major difficulty encountered under the BWP 2013-2014 is the number of activities pending finance and the limited voluntary contributions received to implement all activities proposed and approved in Council Decision 2(XLVIII). Out of the total voluntary contributions of US\$7,879,710 sought under this BWP, US\$2,037,588 or 25.86% have been received so far. From the 31 activities approved under the BWP only three have received full funding, fourteen have received partial funding and fourteen remain unfunded. None of the activities proposed by any of the ITTO Technical Divisions has received full funding as yet.

PROGRESS REPORT

BIENNIAL WORK PROGRAMME FOR 2013-2014

STRATEGIC PRIORITY 1: PROMOTE GOOD FOREST GOVERNANCE AND FINANCING FOR SUSTAINABLE FOREST MANAGEMENT

Activity	Implementation Approach and Cost	Activity Targets	Responsible Body	Implementation Status
 Render assistance to Producer Countries, on request, to identify, in each country, those factors which most severely limit progress towards achieving Objective 2000 and sustainable forest management and to formulate an action plan to overcome these constraints. [ITTA, 2006 Article 1(d)] [ITTC Decision 2(XXIX)] 	Estimated cost: US\$400,000	Four technical diagnostic missions dispatched to four member countries	Council	Funding received: US\$ NIL Funding pending: Year 2013 US\$ 200,000 Year 2014 US\$ 200,000 This activity is pending funding
2. Demonstration and adoption of credit schemes for Small- Medium Forest Enterprises (SMFEs). [ITTA, 2006, Article 1(g)]	The purpose of this activity is to demonstrate the lessons learned from ITTO project, PD 233/03 Rev.2 (I). This project found that SMFEs do not require a large amount of funding, but rather a small amount of seed money and technical assistance that will enable SMFEs to effectively manage their forests and increase their incomes. Through the project, a credit scheme for SMFEs has been developed with the high potential of replication and scaling-up. The activity will assist three ITTO selected producer countries in replicating the credit scheme for SMFEs. Estimated cost: US\$210,600 Expected funding sources: Voluntary Contributions Year 2013–US\$105,300	• The credit schemes for SMFEs replicated in three member countries	CFI	Funding received:US\$ NILFunding pending:Year 2013US\$ 105,300Year 2014US\$ 105,300This activity is pending funding

	Year 2014–US\$105,300				
3. ITTO Meeting of Partners of the Congo Basin Forest Partnership <i>[ITTA 2006, Article 15]</i>	Forty-ninth Session of the Council scheduled for 25-30 November 2013 in Libreville, Gabon. Through this activity, the ITTO will be able to collaborate and contribute effectively and meaningfully to the work of the CBFP, and vice versa, participating in relevant work including on promoting forest governance and financing SFM.	Meeting successfully convened and collaboration on relevant CBFP work implemented	Council	Funding received: Funding pending: The Meeting of the Congo Partnership will be convened December 2012, at the Heliconia the same venue as the ITTC-49 Gabon.	on 2 – 3 Garden Hotel,
	Expected funding sources: Voluntary Contributions Year 2013–US\$100,000				
	Sub-total 2013: US\$405,300 Sub-total 2014: US\$305,300 Biennium Sub-total: US\$710,600				

STRATEGIC PRIORITY 2: INCREASE THE CONTRIBUTION OF TROPICAL FORESTS TO NATIONAL AND LOCAL ECONOMIES THROUGH INTERNATIONAL TRADE

Activity	Implementation Approach and Cost	Activity Targets	Responsible Body	Implementation Status
 Support selected producing member countries to promote wood-based bioenergy using wood residues and waste. [<i>ITTA</i>, 2006, Article 1(a), (c), (f), (p), (s)] 	Based on the outcomes and recommendations of the International and Regional Fora on Wood-based Bioenergy using wood wastes and residues, the activity aims at further assisting selected member countries to develop their wood-based bioenergy. Estimated cost: US\$100,000 Expected funding sources: Voluntary Contributions Year 2013–US\$40,000 Year 2014–US\$60,000	Three project proposals from three member countries for developing wood- based bioenergy formulated	CFI	Funding received:US\$ NILFunding pending:Year 2013US\$ 40,000Year 2014US\$ 60,000This activity is pending funding
 Promoting roles of non-timber forest products for sustainable forest management and improved livelihood in tropical countries. [ITTA, 2006, Article 1(f), (I), (q)] 	To follow up on the recommendations of the ITTO International Conference on NTFPs and Services and experiences from the implementation of ITTO's NTFPs projects, there is a need to further assist member countries in developing collaborative activities oriented toward establishing a regional NTFPs network among countries in each region. Estimated cost: US\$200,000 Expected funding sources: Voluntary Contributions Year 2013–US\$100,000 Year 2014–US\$100,000	Three project proposals from three member countries for the promotion of NTFPs formulated	CFI	Funding received:US\$ NILFunding pending:Year 2013US\$ 100,000Year 2014US\$ 100,000This activity is pending funding
 Study on policies and measures toward the development of sustainable forest industry in ITTO producing member countries. [ITTA, 2006, Article 1(c), (f), (i), (m)] 	The development of the wood added processing sector in most tropical timber producer countries continues to be slow, thereby limiting earnings of countries and returns to forest communities. Sustainable forest industry development contributes to national economies, community development as well as a green economy and sustainable development. An updated baseline study on policies and measures for the development of sustainable forest industry in ITTO producer member countries will be carried out. On the basis of the updated study, guidelines for sustainable forest industry will be established.	Guidelines for sustainable forest industry developed	CFI	Funding received: US\$ NIL Funding pending: US\$ 150,000 This activity is pending funding

	Estimated cost: US\$150,000 Expected funding sources: Voluntary Contributions				
7. Engineered Wood Conference. [ITTA, 2006, Article 1(a), (f), (i)]	In the last few years, there have been a number of new developments in the production and application of engineered wood, which have expanded the use of timber and timber products and enhanced their values. Such developments include wood-plastic composites, wood-cement board, glulams, thermal modification, impregnation, chemical modification and cross-laminated timber, which offer wider use of timber in end-uses like large-scale construction, decorative works, furniture production, packaging, etc.	One international conference convened and proceedings published as a technical series document.	CFI	5	US\$ NIL US\$ 220,000
	An international conference will be convened under the activity to share information and perspectives among a wide range of participants (architects, designers, academics, investors, forest owners and managers, as well as those from the forest industries and governments of ITTO member countries) on all the above technological advances and implications for the further development of tropical timber industries, including promoting investments in tropical forests and contributing to SFM.				
	Estimated cost: US\$220,000 Expected funding sources: Voluntary Contributions Year 2014–US\$220,000				
	Sub-total 2013: US\$290,000 Sub-total 2014: US\$380,000 Biennium Sub-total: US\$670,000				

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STRATEGIC PRIORITY 3: ENHANCE THE CONTRIBUTION OF TROPICAL TIMBER PRODUCING FORESTS TO THE CONSERVATION AND SUSTAINABLE USE OF BIODIVERSITY

Activity	Implementation Approach and Cost	Activity Targets	Responsible Body	Implementation Status
8. Enhance cooperation between ITTO and CITES. [ITTA, 2006, Article 15] [ITTC Decisions 3(XVI), 7(XXXIV), 2(XXXVII), 5(XLVI)]	Continue to assist Members to implement CITES listings of timber species. Pursuant to Decision 5(XLVI) on "Multi-Donor Mechanism to Facilitate Enhanced Cooperation between ITTO and CITES", the European Commission's further grant in the amount of US\$6,127,451 (EUR 5,000,000) was approved in early 2012. This grant will extend over a period of four years and will allow continued implementation of the ITTO-CITES capacity building programme which commenced in 2006. Matching ITTO contributions from other donors in the amount of US\$ 3,063,725 (EUR 2,500,000) during the four-year period are required under the contract with the EC, with US\$ 800,060 (EUR 652,849) already pledged during 2011-2012, leaving a balance of EUR 1,847,151 to be sought over the remaining 3 years of the EC grant. The amount sought from donors during this biennium is therefore two-thirds of this amount (EUR 1,231,434) or approximately \$750,000 per year at prevailing exchange rates (note that US dollar/Euro exchange rates will be updated to reflect prevailing rates at the time the actual contributions are received). Matching ITTO contributions: US\$1,509,110 (EUR 1,231,434) Expected funding sources: Voluntary Contributions Year 2013–US\$754,555 (EUR 615,717) Year 2014–US\$754,555 (EUR 615,717)	 Three countries with improved inventory designs Three tracking/monitoring systems established Three regional training/experience workshops conducted Reduced number of trade suspensions of CITES listed timber species An international workshop convened 		Funding received: US\$ 828,000 (non-EC donors, 2012-13) Funding pending: US\$ 681,110 (non-EC donors, 2014) See document ITTC(XLIX)/5 for a complete progress report on this activity.
9. Facilitate the application of the ITTO/IUCN Guidelines for the Conservation and Sustainable Use of Biodiversity in	Pursuant to Decision 6(XLVI), ITTO is required to promote the application of the Biodiversity Guidelines at a range of scales in partnership with timber producers, local communities and other stakeholders. In cooperation with other international organizations, civil society organizations and others, the activity will	 Three project proposals in three member countries in three tropical regions formulated One partnership 	CRF	

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Tropical Timber Production Forests. [ITTA, 2006, Articles 1(m), (r)] [ITTC Decision 6(XLVI)]	encourage members and timber producing companies to adapt and make use of the ITTO/IUCN Guidelines for the Conservation and Sustainable Use of Biodiversity in Tropical Timber Production Forests wherever appropriate in their work, including in ITTO project proposals and reporting.	established	
	(a) Support will be provided to interested member countries and forest concessionaires to formulate proposals to adapt and implement the Guidelines at forest management unit level, as well as for the dissemination of the Guidelines in relevant		Funding received: US\$ NIL Funding pending: Year 2013 US\$ 50,000 Year 2014 US\$ 50,000
	fora.		This sub-activity is pending funding
	Estimated cost: US\$100,000 Expected funding sources: Voluntary Contributions Year 2013–US\$50,000 Year 2014–US\$50,000		
	(b) Attendance at CBD, IUCN and other meetings		Funding received: US\$ NIL
	where biodiversity conservation in tropical forests will be on the agenda.		Funding pending: Year 2013 US\$ 50,000 Year 2014 US\$ 50,000
	Estimated cost: US\$100,000 Expected funding sources: Voluntary Contributions Year 2013–US\$50,000 Year 2014–US\$50,000		This sub-activity is pending funding
	Sub-total 2013: US\$854,555		
	Sub-total 2014: US\$854,555		
	Biennium Sub-total: US\$1,709,110		

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STRATEGIC PRIORITY 4: REDUCE TROPICAL DEFORESTATION AND FOREST DEGRADATION AND ENHANCE PROVISION OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

Activity	Implementation Approach and Cost	Activity Targets	Responsible Body	Implementation Status
10.Continue to monitor progress in the application of criteria and indicators for sustainable forest management.	Regular Sessions' work, which includes monitoring the implementation of Decision 4(XXXIV) under which 28 national workshops to promote application of C&I have already been implemented. (a) Make provision for an additional 2-3 national	(a)	Council	Funding received: US\$ 50,000
[ITTC Decisions 3(XXVI), 5(XXX), 9(XXX), 4(XXXIV)]	 (d) markshops on C&I under Decision 4(XXXIV), incorporating related topics such as auditing, certification, international reporting requirements, etc. into the workshop curricula. Estimated cost: US\$100,000 Expected funding sources: Voluntary Contributions 	• Two to three national C&I training workshops convened		Funding pending: US\$ 50,000 Arrangements are under way to convene a C&I workshop for new members Benin and Mali in the first half of 2014. Consultations are also underway with FAO to identify other countries that would benefit from a (collaboratively funded) workshop during 2014 in order to improve responses to the Collaborative Forest Resources Questionnaire (CFRQ, see 10c below). Additional workshops will require the remaining budget balance of this activity to be provided.
	 (b) 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. Estimated cost: US\$100,000 Expected funding sources: Voluntary Contributions 	(b)Expert meeting convened and C&I revised		Funding received:US\$ 50,000Funding pending:US\$ 50,000This activity is awaiting Council approval of the revised SFM Guidelines to be considered at the 49 th Session. The implementation of the activity, including its timing, will be considered by the CRF during its consideration of the revised SFM Guidelines. Implementation of the activity as per the agreed TOR will require the remaining balance of this activity to be provided.
	(c) Participate in international C&I related meetings/discussions/initiatives, including the CPF Task Force on Streamlining Forest			Funding received:US\$ 25,000Funding pending:US\$ 25,000

	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. Estimated cost: US\$50,000 Expected funding sources: Voluntary Contributions			This activity has supported ITTO review of responses to the CFRQ referred to in 10a, including the ITTO C&I Reporting Format which was part of the FAO FRA 2015 reporting package. It has also supported ITTO participation in FAO-led training workshops for CFRQ respondents in Africa and Asia during 2013. Remaining funds may also be used to facilitate ITTO participation in the Pan-European Forum on C&I Implementation scheduled for Vienna in October 2013. If the remaining balance of the activity budget is made available for 2014 it will allow for participation in meetings to finalize data to be presented for ITTO producer members in the 2015 FAO Forest Resource Assessment and the next ITTO SFM Tropics report to be proposed in the 2015/2016 BWP.
11. In cooperation with relevant organizations, continue to study the implications of climate change for tropical forests and the contribution of tropical forests to the mitigation of the effects of climate change. [ITTA, 2006, Articles 1(f), (p)] [ITTC Decision 1(XXXVIII)]	 Support is required for ITTO to provide information for members interested in formulating and implementing an integrated forest sector response to climate change, and for participation in the global debate related to the role of tropical forests in climate change mitigation and adaptation, including: Attendance at UNFCCC meetings where tropical forests will be brought to debate; Facilitate the participation of ITTO member countries in events where the theme of forests and climate change will be high in the agenda, to make sure that ITTO producer member countries are well informed, actively involved, and benefit from possible incentives for sustainable forest management in the tropics; Organization of a side event at UNFCCC COPs on the role of sustainable forest management in the tropics; In collaboration with CPF members, organization of a Discussion Forum at Forest Days to be held 	 Participation in two UNFCCC COPs and the organization of side events Participation in four selected forest and climate change related meetings 	Council	Funding received:US\$ NILFunding pending:Year 2013US\$ 50,000Year 2014US\$ 75,000ITTO's participation in the UNFCCC COP 18(Doha, Qatar, 26 November -7 December 2012)included the following: Co-organization of a sideevent on "What can National Forest MonitoringSystems do?: Development of NFMS and MRVsystems for REDD+" with Forestry and ForestProducts Research Institute of Japan (FFPRI)and Japan International Cooperation Agency(JICA); Co-organization of a Discussion Forumat FOREST DAY 6 with IUCN on "Forestlandscape restoration: enhancing more thancarbon"; ITTO participation in IssuesMarketplace and ITTO publications exhibit atForest Day 6; Co-organization of a side eventon "REDD+ MRV: Capturing benefits fromcommunity forest management in the tropics".Co-organizers include United Nations UniversityInstitute of Advanced Studies, FFPRI ofJapan, JICA and Rainforest Alliance; and ITTO

	 in parallel with UNFCCC COPs; Taking into account the CPF Strategic Framework on Forests and Climate Change, participate in CPF related initiatives on forests and climate change to bring up tropical forest perspectives; and Participation of ITTO Secretariat in selected REDD+ meetings such as REDD+ Partnership meetings to discuss technical and financial issues relating to REDD+. Estimated cost: US\$125,000 Expected funding sources: Voluntary Contributions Year 2013–US\$50,000 Year 2014–US\$75,000 			 ED's participation in COP 18/CMP 8 High Level Segment. Co-sponsoring the International Seminar on "Climate Change and Forests: Conservation of tropical forests towards Green Economy" (7-8 February 2013 in Tokyo, Japan) organized by FFPRI of Japan. ITTO presentation of REDDES Thematic Programme and forest-based climate change mitigation projects has been promoted in relevant international and regional forums. These include: Indonesian climate change day with the issue REDD+ and carbon Market organized by Indonesian Ministry of Forestry on 1 December 2012 during COP 19; International Workshop on Forest Landscape Restoration (21 March 2013, Seoul, Korea). (The above three activities were funded using funds remaining from previous BWPs)
12.Promote the understanding of the contribution of environmental services to the sustainable management of tropical forests. [ITTA, 2006, Articles 1(g), (j), (m), (q), (r), (s)]	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. The Forum shall cover aspects related to conservation of tropical forest ecosystems, existing experiences and knowledge on payment for environmental services (PES), forest carbon as an emerging forest commodity, equity and gender balance in benefit sharing, and others. Estimated cost: US\$300,000 Expected funding sources: Voluntary Contributions	 International Forum on Environmental Services convened in 2013 	CRF	Funding received: US\$ 116,588 Funding pending: US\$ 183,412 Consultations have taken place with FAO and other potential partners including APFNet to jointly organize the International Forum on Environmental Services of Tropical Forests. The Ministry of Environment of Costa Rica/National Forest Financing Fund –FONAFIFO (Costa Rica) has been identified as Hosting Organization. The International Forum is tentatively planned for 8-11 April 2014 in San Jose, Costa Rica in collaboration with FAO and other partners. Planning for this International Forum is currently underway by the Secretariats of ITTO and FAO with the support of MoE and FONAFIFO(Costa Rica). More updated information is to be provided to the CRF at its Forty-seventh Session in November 2013 under

				Provisional Agenda Item 9 - Policy Work
13.Review and update the <i>ITTO Guidelines</i> for the Establishment and Sustainable Management of Planted Tropical Forests to take into account recent developments in tropical forestry. [<i>ITTA</i> , 2006, Articles 1(j), (m)]	Assess, review and update the ITTO Guidelines for the Establishment and Sustainable Management of Planted Tropical Forests (ITTO document PS 4, 1993), taking into account new developments emphasizing the role of tree planting in the tropics, including timber supply, energy production, provision of environmental services, restoration potential, as well as the potential of agroforestry and trees outside forests to provide forest goods and services. Estimated cost: US\$250,000 Expected funding sources: Voluntary Contributions Year 2013–US\$150,000 Year 2014–US\$100,000	Revised ITTO Guidelines developed by 2014	CRF	Funding received: US\$ NIL Funding pending: Year 2013 US\$ 150,000 Year 2014 US\$ 100,000 This activity is pending funding
14. 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. [<i>ITTA</i> , 2006, Articles 1(j), (m)] [<i>ITTC Decisions</i> 1(XXXV), 4(XXXV)]	(a) 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	(a)Establishment of network learning sites supported	CRF	Funding received:US\$100,000Funding pending:US\$ NILThe progress made in the implementation of this sub-activity, can be summarized as follows:Detailed terms of reference of the national consultants in 3 ITTO member countries (1 country per producing region: Ghana for Africa, Indonesia for Asia-Pacific and Mexico for Latin America1 country per region) prepared by the Secretariat;Identification of national consultants in Ghana and Indonesia, but consultants in Mexico; and SSA of national consultants in Ghana and Indonesia have been circulated for final signature by both parties.
	(b) The sub-activity will allow for ITTO participation in major international restoration forums in order to work with many partners in the tropics and with international organizations engaged in the implementation of rehabilitation and restoration activities in degraded forests in the tropics and	(b)Two partnerships on Bonn Challenge est ablished		Funding received:US\$ NILFunding pending:Year 2013US\$ 25,000Year 2014US\$ 25,000This sub-activity is pending funding

		serve as an ITTO contribution to the achievement of the Bonn Challenge, a global call for the restoration of 150 million ha by 2020 using a forest and landscape restoration approach. Estimated cost: US\$50,000 Expected funding sources: Voluntary Contributions Year 2013–US\$25,000 Year 2014–US\$25,000			
15.Contribute appropriately to national and international efforts in the area of prevention and management of fire in relation to tropical timber- producing forests. [ITTA, 2006, Article 1(m)]	(a)	Review and update the ITTO Guidelines on FireManagement in Tropical Forests to take into account scientific insights into the state of forests and forest protection in the tropics in the last 15 years and the progress made in fire management research and development globally.Estimated cost:US\$150,000 Year 2013–US\$50,000 Year 2014–US\$100,000	(a) • Revised ITTO Guidelines published in 2014	CRF	Funding received:US\$ NILFunding pending:Year 2013US\$ 50,000Year 2014US\$ 100,000This sub-activity is pending funding
[ITTC Decision 6(XXXIII)]	(b)	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. Estimated cost: US\$150,000 Expected funding sources: Voluntary Contributions Year 2013–US\$75,000 Year 2014–US\$75,000	(b) • Assistance to three preparatory fora in three ITTO producing regions provided		Funding received:US\$ 30,000Funding pending:Year 2013US\$ 45,000Year 2014US\$ 75,000The Secretariat will be providing 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. Moreover, the ITTO Secretariat is expected to participate at the upcoming meeting of the South Korea Conference Organizing Committee (ILC), to be held in Seoul, Korea, on 21-23 October 2013
	Sub	D-total 2013: US\$950,000 D-total 2014: US\$375,000 nnium Sub-total: US\$1,325,000			

STRATEGIC PRIORITY 5: IMPROVE THE QUALITY AND AVAILABILITY OF INFORMATION ON TROPICAL FORESTS, TIMBER MARKETS AND TRADE

Activity	Implementation Approach and Cost	Activity Targets	Responsible Body	Implementation Status
16.Continue to publish the ITTO Tropical Forest Update (TFU). [ITTA, 2006, Articles 27, 28]	Regular Sessions' work. Estimated cost: US\$520,000 Expected funding sources: Core Operational Costs Year 2013–US\$260,000 Year 2014–US\$260,000	• Up to four issues of TFU published and distributed in three ITTO working languages both in 2013 and 2014	Council	Funding received:US\$ 260,000Funding pending:Year 2013US\$ NIL Year 2014Year 2014US\$ 260,000This activity was included in the Core Operational Costs of the Administrative Budget for 2013 and includes funds for the TFU and (if possible) other publications.Two issues of the TFU had been published in three languages as of August 2013, with another under preparation at the time of finalizing this document. The fourth issue of 2013 will be published in December. Copies of the first three 2013 TFU issues will be available to members during the 49th Council Session. Continuation of the TFU in 2014-15 will require that appropriate resources be made available under the Core Operational Costs of the Administrative Budget for 2014-15.
17.Collaborate with the Trade Advisory Group (TAG) in organizing and holding the ITTO Annual Market Discussion on the world tropical timber trade during Sessions of the ITTC in 2013 and 2014. [ITTA, 2006, Articles 1(e), (h)]	Regular Sessions' work. The themes for the Annual Market Discussions will be determined at the Council Sessions immediately preceding the discussions. Estimated cost: US\$70,000 Expected funding sources: Core Operational Costs Year 2013–US\$35,000 Year 2014–US\$35,000	ITTO Annual Market Discussions convened in 2013 and 2014	Council	Funding received:US\$ 35,000Funding pending:Year 2013US\$ NilYear 2014US\$ 35,000The Secretariat is collaborating with TAG in the preparations and conduct of the ITTO Annual Market Discussion 2013 on the theme 'Trade Approaches to Meeting Market Demands for Legality' in conjunction with the Forty-ninth Session of ITTC, Libreville, Gabon from 25 to 30 November 2013.
18.Continue to publish the ITTO Market Information Service (MIS). [ITTA, 2006, Articles	Regular Sessions' work. Estimated cost : US\$400,000 Expected funding sources: Core Operational Costs Year 2013–US\$200,000	• Up to forty-four TTMRs published both in 2013 and 2014	Council	Funding received:US\$ 200,000Funding pending:Year 2013US\$ NilYear 2014US\$ 200,000With the approved financing of US\$200,000

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27, 28]	Year 2014–US\$200,000			under Core Operational Costs of the Administrative Budget for 2013, the publication of the Tropical Timber Market Report (TTMR) has been resumed from January 2013. Twenty- two issues of the TTMR are scheduled to be published in 2013
19.Enhancement of statistical work and databases on statistics. [ITTA, 2006, Article 27]	Regular Sessions' work. The Committee will make provisions for and consider the results of activities to improve statistical databases, maintain access to international forest products trade databases and to maintain involvement in the Intersecretariat Working Group on Forest Statistics and Joint Forest Sector Questionnaire Process. Estimated cost: US\$40,000 Expected funding sources: Core Operational Costs Year 2013–US\$20,000 Year 2014–US\$20,000	 Participation in two meetings of the Inter-secretariat Working Group in 2013 and 2014 Updating and refinement of JFSQ 	Council and CEM	Funding received:US\$ 20,000Funding pending:Year 2013US\$ Nil Year 2014Year 2014US\$ 20,000With the approved financing of US\$20,000under Core Operational Costs of the Administrative Budget for 2013, ITTO participated in the meeting of the Inter- secretariat Working Group on Forest Statistics(IWGS) held in Rome, Italy from 14 to 15 February 2013 to consider revisions to be proposed to the harmonized system of customs classification and preparations for the distribution of JFSQ.
20.Further enhance public relations, education and outreach activities to best convey the achievement of the objectives of the Organization. [ITTA, 2006, Article 1] [ITTC Decision 5(XXVII)]	 Continue to ensure that ITTO reaches as wide an audience as possible by: (a) Undertaking regular communications and outreach activities including, inter alia, continuing to improve the ITTO website; updating the ITTO website in the three official languages; publishing and disseminating relevant ITTO reports, including Annual Reports; editing, producing and disseminating public relations materials (posters, calendars, etc). Estimated cost: US\$121,254 Expected funding sources: Core Operational Costs Year 2013–US\$60,627 Year 2014–US\$60,627 	 (a) Up to four new technical series documents published and disseminated Two Annual Reports in three languages published Photo database enhanced Regular updating of ITTO website 	Council	Funding received:US\$ 60,627Funding pending:Year 2013US\$ Nil Year 2014Year 2014US\$ 60,627This activity was included in the Core Operational Costs of the Administrative Budget for 2013.Activities have included the regular updating and translation into French and Spanish of the ITTO website. The ITTO website has been also updated and translated into Japanese using funds provided by the Government of Japan. Linkages have been established with the CPF and GFIS sites, in order to share news, and updates of the ITTO website. Initial efforts are being undertaken to re-develop the website including work to make a version of ITTO's online project database available to website users. The 2012 Annual Report was produced and

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	 (b) 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). Estimated cost: US\$200,000 Expected funding sources: Voluntary Contributions Year 2013–US\$100,00 Year 2014–US\$100,00 		disseminated in 4 languages during 2013 and several other public relations materials were developed (posters, brochures, etc.). Continuation of these regular communications and outreach activities in 2014-15 will require that appropriate resources be made available under the Core Operational Costs of the Administrative Budget for 2014-15. Funding received: US\$ 30,000 Funding pending: Year 2013 US\$ 70,000 Year 2014 US\$ 100,000 This activity primarily funded ITTO's involvement in the TICAD V meeting in 2013 and will be used to (partially) cover Secretariat participation in UNCCD and UNFCCC CoPs (September and December 2013, respectively) as well as the Yokohama Kokusai Festa (October 2013). Participation in relevant international events in 2014-15 will require that appropriate resources be made available for this activity.
21.Undertake the biennial review and assessment of the world timber situation. [ITTA, 2006, Article 28]	(a) Publication of the annual review and assessment of the world timber situation for 2012 in 2013	(a) Council • Annual review and assessment for 2012 published in 2013	Funding received:US\$ 40,000Core Operational CostsFunding pending:US\$ NilThe annual review and assessment of the worldtimber situation for 2012 was published in July2013.
	 (b) Consideration of the draft elements for the biennial review and assessment of the world timber situation for 2013-2014 Estimated cost: US\$50,000 Expected funding sources: Core Operational Costs Year 2014–US\$50,000 		Funding received: US\$ NIL Funding pending: Year 2014 US\$ 50,000 The draft elements for the first ever biennial review and assessment of the world timber situation for 2013-2014 will be considered by the ITTC at its Fiftieth Session in 2014. This sub-activity is pending funding
	(c) Publication of the biennial review and assessment of the world timber situation for 2013-2014 in 2015	(c) ● Biennial review and	Funding received: US\$ NIL Funding pending: Year 2014 US\$ 40,000

22.Develop an ITTO knowledge management strategy and knowledge management guidelines [ITTA, 2006, Articles 1(c), (r)]	Estimated cost: US\$40,000 Expected funding sources: Core Operational Costs Year 2014–US\$40,000 Two consultants will be contracted to develop an ITTO strategic framework and guidelines required for developing an integrated knowledge management system which is contributing to take advantage to use lessons learned and build modular learning approaches to further strengthen/improve the effectiveness of future project work. The system will be robust enough to be used in a context of dramatic transformations that are changing the practices in forestry and in the use of forest products. The strategy will show how ITTO will be more agile in devising appropriate innovations and improving its systems and its institutional readiness for continuous learning and sharing. Estimated cost: US\$150,000 Expected funding sources: Voluntary Contributions Year 2013–US\$150,000	 assessment published in 2015 ITTO knowledge management strategy ITTO knowledge management system 	Council/Joint Committees	The publication of the biennial review and assessment of the world timber situation for 2013-2014 will be released in 2015. This sub-activity is pending funding Funding received: US\$ 150,000 Funding pending: US\$ NIL Two consultants have been hired. The report of the consultants and the Draft ITTO Knowledge Management Strategy and Knowledge Management Guidelines will be presented at the Forty-ninth session of the ITTC, Libreville, Gabon to the Joint Committee under Item 3 of the provisional agenda, Document ITTC- JC(XLVII)/2]
23.Development of Environmental Product Declaration (EDP) for three tropical wood products. [ITTA, 2006, Articles 1(a), (f), (s)]	This activity will compile Environmental Product Declarations (EPDs) through the development of a Life Cycle Inventory database and Life Cycle Assessment (LCA) reports for three products, namely meranti plywood, ipe decking and khaya lumber representing three important products from the three tropical regions. Estimated cost: US\$180,000 Expected funding sources: Voluntary Contributions	LCA reports, carbon footprint and EPD developed for three products	CFI	Funding received:US\$ 90,000Funding pending:US\$ 90,000The first part of this activity comprised a study on EPD for Meranti plywood in Malaysia and Indonesia which is on-going. Two consultants from the Forest Research Institute Malaysia (FRIM) and Bogor Agriculture University (IPB, Indonesia) have been engaged and a meeting to validate the study's approaches and data format was convened on 8-9 July 2013 in Bogor, Indonesia, attended by the representatives of TAG and ITTO, two experts from Malaysia and Indonesia and the consultants. Surveys of selected plywood mills are underway.
24.Review of the timber market in two significant tropical	Regular Sessions' work. Provisions for the studies and markets to be covered may be proposed by the Committee.	 Review of two timber markets in two significant 	CEM	Funding received:US\$ NILFunding pending:Year 2013US\$ 100,000Year 2014US\$ 100,000

timber importing countries. [ITTA, 2006, Articles 1(e), (h)]	Estimated cost: US\$200,000 Expected funding sources: Voluntary Contributions Year 2013–US\$100,000 Year 2014–US\$100,000	timber importing countries carried out in 2013 and 2014		This activity is pending funding
25. Promote trade in tropical timber and tropical timber products from sustainably managed and legally harvested sources. [ITTA, 2006, Articles 1(d), (k), (n), (o)]	Further promote the development and implementation of web-based information systems designed and operated to make sound data and information available to assist consumers in identifying/purchasing legally/sustainably produced timber, in cooperation with governments and public-private partnerships. Estimated cost: US\$300,000 Expected funding sources: Voluntary Contributions	 Web-based information system developed and implemented Policy implications of study considered at Forty-eighth Session of CEM in 2014 	CEM	Funding received:US\$ NILFunding pending:US\$ 300,000This activity is pending funding
26.Analyze the economic impact of governmental procurement policies on tropical timber markets. [ITTA, 2006, Articles 1(k),(o)]		Project TMT-SPD 012/13 Rev.1 (M) fully implemented	CEM	A small project TMT-SPD 013/12 (M) was funded under the ITTO Thematic Programme on Trade and Market Transparency (TMT) with a budget of US\$ 150,000. Mr. R. Michael Martin (USA) and Mr. Baharuddin Ghazali (Malaysia) have been engaged as consultants to assist in the implementation of the activity. The draft report on the study has been submitted by the consultants who will make a presentation at the Forty-seventh Session of the ITTO Committee on Economics, Statistics and Markets (CEM) and Committee on Forest Industry (CFI) in November 2013.
	Sub-total 2013: US\$1,405,627 Sub-total 2014: US\$865,627 Biennium Sub-total: US\$2,271,254			

STRATEGIC PRIORITY 6: BUILD AND DEVELOP HUMAN RESOURCE CAPACITY TO IMPLEMENT SFM AND INCREASE TRADE IN FOREST GOODS AND SERVICES FROM SUSTAINABLY MANAGED FORESTS

Activity	Implementation Approach and Cost	Activity Targets	Responsible Body	Implementation Status
27.Consider advice from and facilitate involvement of the Trade Advisory Group (TAG) and the Civil Society Advisory Group (CSAG). [ITTC Decisions 9(XXVIII), 2(XXXII)]	Regular Sessions' work. Encourage support for the participation of TAG and CSAG members in Council Sessions. Estimated cost: Expected funding sources: US\$80,000 Voluntary Contributions/ Unearmarked Funds Year 2013–US\$40,000 Year 2014–US\$40,000	At least four representatives from TAG and CSAG assisted to participate in the Sessions of the Council in 2013 and 2014	Council	Funding received:US\$ 40,000Funding pending:Year 2013:US\$ NILYear 2014:US\$ 40,000Assistance is being provided by the Secretariatfor the participation of TAG and CSAG in theForty-Ninth Session of the Council.
28. Continue to provide for ITTO's cooperation and consultation with the Collaborative Partnership on Forests (CPF) in support of the United Nations Forum on Forests (UNFF) and other relevant international and regional organizations, institutions and initiatives. [ITTA, 2006, Article 15] [ITTC Decision 7(XXX)]	Maintain ITTO's active involvement in the CPF and	 Participation of ITTO in UNFF10 in 2013 and four CPF meetings in 2013 and 2014 Contributions to three CPF joint initiatives in 2013 and 2014 	Council	Funding received:US\$25,000Funding pending:Year 2013US\$25,000Year 2014US\$50,000Using the partial funding, ITTO participated in UNFF 10 and relevant meetings and events which were held in Istanbul, Turkey from 8 to 19 April 2013.ITTO also participated in the Retreat of the Collaborative Partnership on Forests held in Rome, Italy from 2-3 July 2013 to discuss the CPF common agenda including outcomes of Rio+20, sustainable development goals and the assessment of UNFF
29. Support for the ITTO Children's Environmental Education Programme on Tropical Forests (CEEP). [ITTA, 2006, Article 1]	first Environmental Education Conference under the CEEP was convened in Yokohama on July 2009 with	 Convening of a second Environmental Education Conference in 2014 Assistance to establish model 	Council	Funding received:US\$ NILFunding pending:Year 2013US\$ 120,000Year 2014US\$ 120,000This activity is pending funding

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[ITTC Decision 1(XLIV)]	 Japan. Activities to be undertaken in 2013-2014 include: Convening a second environmental education conference Assistance to establish "school forests" Dispatching lecturers Estimated cost: US\$240,000 Voluntary Contributions Year 2013–US\$120,000 Year 2014–US\$120,000 	school forests in three member countries in three tropical regions • Lecturers dispatched to six schools in member countries		
30.Decide on eligible fellowship applications in 2013 and 2014 based on the recommendations of the Fellowship Selection Panel. [ITTC Decision 4(XXVII)]	 The objective of the fellowship programme is to develop human resources and enhance professional expertise in member countries in tropical forestry and related disciplines, with a view to promoting sustainable management of tropical forests, efficient utilization and processing of tropical timber, and better economic information on the international trade in tropical timber. Eligible activities include: Participation in short term training courses, training internships, study tours, lecture/demonstration tours and international/regional conferences; Technical document preparation, publication and monographs; and Postgraduate studies. Estimated cost: US\$820,000 Expected funding sources: Voluntary Contributions Year 2013–US\$420,000	 100-120 fellowships awarded in 2013 and 2014 Fellowship alumni network established 	Council	Funding received:US\$ 200,000Funding pending:Year 2013:US\$ 220,000Year 2014:US\$ 400,000Twenty-five fellowships were awarded duringSpring2013Cycle at a total cost ofUS\$149,030.The Council will consider and approve the recommendations of the Fellowship Selection Panel and decide on the award of Fellowships for Autumn 2013Cycle during the Forty-ninth Session of the Council to be convened in Libreville, Gabon
31.Strengthening the capacity to promote efficient wood processing technologies in tropical timber	This pilot activity begun under the 2012-2013 BWP will continue to focus on producer member countries in the Africa, Asia Pacific and Latin America and Caribbean Regions in which their forest industry production chains encounter problems of inefficiency and lack of human resource capacity. The scope of the in-house training	• Three in-house trainings conducted in three producer member countries in 2013 and 2014	CFI	Funding received:US\$ 78,000Funding pending:Year 2013:US\$ 22,000Year 2014:US\$ 150,000In-house trainings were conducted in Mexicoinvolving 9 wood-based industries, in Chetumal
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[ITTA, 2006, Articles 1(f), (i)]	countries, will include strengthening capacity in common problem areas in the wood-based industries, namely: log stocking and loading, kiln drying and boilers, saw doctoring, finger jointing, laminating, packaging, waste control, maintenance and work safety.			positively evaluated by the CONAFOR and the Stakeholders involved.
	Estimated cost: US\$250,000 Expected funding sources: Voluntary Contributions Year 2013–US\$100,000 Year 2014–US\$150,000			
32.Facilitating technology and knowledge sharing to enhance sustainable forest industry among ITTO producing member countries. [ITTA, 2006, Articles 1(f),(I),(o),(p)]	 This activity will facilitate capacity building activities by knowledge hub countries for countries with less developed forest industries by making provisions to conduct training workshops. The activity will: Identify knowledge hub countries in each of the major forest industry fields (e.g. efficient wood processing, biomass energy, RIL, implementation of code of conduct); Engage research/training center of knowledge hub countries in designing appropriate training workshops; and Organize specific training workshop and identify participants from ITTO producer member countries with less developed forest industries. Estimated cost: US\$200,000 Expected funding sources: Voluntary Contributions Year 2013–US\$100,000 Year 2014–US\$100,000 	 Three training workshops conducted in producer member countries in 2013 and 2014 Three hub countries identified for south- south cooperation 	CFI	Funding received: US\$ NIL Funding pending: Year 2013: US\$ 100,000 Year 2014: US\$ 100,000 This activity is pending funding
33.Matching the needs of forest industry with the innovations, technologies and know-how developed through ITTO projects. [ITTA, 2006, Articles 1(f), (i), (p)]	During the last 10 years ITTO projects under the Committee of Forest Industry have produced a number of innovations and technologies along with associated expertise. This activity will disseminate findings, outputs and lessons from completed ITTO projects to support the development of the tropical forest industry sector, including SMFEs. Estimated cost: US\$150,000	• Three matches of innovation, technologies and know-how undertaken in three producer member countries	CFI	Funding received:US\$ 80,000 (from BWP 2012-2013, Act. 28)Funding pendingYear 2013US\$ 20,000 Year 2014Funding pendingYear 2014US\$ 50,000International Consultant, Mr. Vicente A, Molinos (USA) has been engaged to facilitate the implementation of the activity.
	Expected funding sources: Voluntary Contributions			A database on completed projects under the

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	(US\$80,000 already pledged under Activity 28 of the 2012-2013 BWP) Year 2013–US\$20,000 Year 2014–US\$50,000			Committee has been provided to the consultant together with relevant technical reports generated by those projects in the field of Lesser Used Timber Species (LUS), Biomass, Reduced Impact Logging (RIL), utilization of bamboo and timber processing. Survey questionnaires have been prepared and tested in an informal focus group involving representatives of the industry, trade, and research institutions.
				Three types of surveys (producer, consumer and others) in English, French and Spanish are being finalized to be responded on-line, by e- mail or by regular post. The surveys will be open until 15 October 2013. A letter notifying ITTO Focal Points on the implementation of the activity and requesting their support has been circulated.
requirements. [ITTA, 2006, Article 28(5)]	to strengthen their statistics collection and enhance reporting. Estimated cost: US\$100,000 Expected funding sources: Voluntary Contributions Year 2013–US\$50,000 Year 2014–US\$50,000	• Four country-level workshops conducted in four ITTO member countries in 2013 and 2014	CEM	Funding received:US\$ 40,000Funding pending:Year 2013:US\$ 10,000Year 2014:US\$ 50,000Utilizing limited funds remaining from relatedprevious BWP activities, and in collaborationwith FAO and APFNet, a statistics workshopwas held on 1-3 April 2013 in Haikou, Hainan,China.The partial funding is proposed to be utilized fora regional workshop for Asia and Pacific regionis scheduled to be held in China in 2014.
35.Promote the publication, dissemination and application of the revised <i>ITTO</i> <i>Guidelines for the</i> <i>Sustainable</i> <i>Management of</i> <i>Natural Tropical</i>	To facilitate the final revision of the draft revised ITTO Principles and Guidelines for the Sustainable Management of Natural Tropical Forests for approval at the Forty-ninth Session of the Council, it is essential to engage two consultants to prepare a final draft version of the ITTO Principles and Guidelines. There is also a need to facilitate the publication of the revised ITTO Principles and Guidelines for the Sustainable Management of Natural Tropical Forests as a policy		CRF	

Forests. [ITTA, 2006, Articles 1(c), (f), (l), (o), (p)]	 document together with the organization of training workshops to facilitate the preparation of specific national or sub-national guidelines to promote the continued systematic development of SFM. (a) 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) with the objectives of restructuring them in two components such as core and optional components and of simplifying them to ensure their effective implementation. Estimated cost: US\$35,000 Expected funding sources: Voluntary Contributions Year 2013–US\$35,000 		Funding received:US\$ 35,000Funding pending:US\$ NILThe Draft Revised ITTO Principles and Guidelines for the Sustainable Management of Natural Tropical Forests were posted on the ITTO website from 1 December 2012 to 30 June 2013 for ITTO member countries' comments. The ITTO Secretariat has received a wide range of comments from ITTO member countries. Two
	 (b) Publish the revised Principles and Guidelines as a policy document in the three languages (English, French and Spanish) after Council approval and disseminate these guidelines to key stakeholders in ITTO member countries and the international community. Estimated cost: US\$100,000 Expected funding sources: Voluntary Contributions 	(b) • Revised SFM Guidelines published in three ITTO working languages in 2014	Funding received: US\$ NIL Funding pending: Year 2014 US\$100,000 This sub-activity is pending funding
	 Year 2014–US\$100,00 (c) Organize three regional capacity building training workshops (one in each tropical region) to facilitate the effective and wider application of the revised SFM Principles and Guidelines in particular to revitalize and renew the basics of sustainable forest management especially among 		Funding received: US\$ NIL Funding pending: Year 2014 US\$ 240,000 This sub-activity is pending funding

	professional foresters of pr	oducer counties.
	Estimated cost: Expected funding sources:	US\$240,000 Voluntary Contributions Year 2014–US\$240,000
5	Sub-total 2013:	US\$935,000
5		US\$1,300,000
E	Biennium Sub-total:	US\$2,235,000

ROUTINE, ADMINISTRATIVE AND FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

Activity	Implementation Approach and Cost	Activity Targets	Responsible Body	Implementation Status
36. With the assistance of the Expert Panel for Technical Appraisal of Project Proposals, appraise relevant committee project and pre- project proposals submitted by Member countries. [ITTA, 2006, Article 26] [ITTC Decisions 6(IX), 2(X), 7(XXI), 7(XXII)]	Expert Panel for Technical Appraisal of Project Proposals. Estimated cost: US\$295,626 Expected funding sources: Programme Support Year 2013–US\$140,000 Year 2014–US\$140,000 Unearmarked Funds Year 2013–US\$15,626	• Two meetings of the Expert Panel convened in 2013 and 2014	Council and Committees	Funding received: US\$ 155,626 Funding pending: Year 2014 US\$ 140,000 The Forty-fifth and Fort-sixth Expert Panels were convened in Yokohama, Japan on 4-8 February 2013 and 29 July – 2 August 2013 respectively.
37.Conduct a mid-term review of the Thematic Programmes. [ITTA, 2006, Articles 20, 24.3, 25] [ITTC Decisions 9(XLIV)), 8(XLIV), 10 (XLIV)]	Following the entry into force of the ITTA, 2006, and taking into account the outcomes of the review of the effectiveness of the TP pilot operation in 2012, a mid- term review of the approved Thematic Programmes will be conducted by a panel composed of TPAC members (two for each TP), one representative of TAG and one representative of CSAG. Estimated Cost: US\$100,000 Expected funding Source: Voluntary Contributions Year 2014–US\$100,000	Mid-term review conducted in 2014	Council	Funding received:US\$ NILFunding pending:Year 2014US\$ 100,000This activity is pending funding
38.Consider the progress in the implementation of the ITTO Biennial Work Programme for 2013-2014. [ITTA, 2006, Article 24] [ITTC Decisions 7(XXV), 2(XXXI), 9(XXXIV)]	Regular Sessions' work.	Progress reviewed at the Forty-ninth and Fiftieth Sessions of the Council in 2013 and 2014	Council	The Council will consider the progress in the implementation of the ITTO BWP 2013 – 2014 under Agenda item 11 [Document ITTC(XLIX)/6]

39.Consider the Draft ITTO Biennial Work Programme for 2015-2016. [ITTC Decisions 7(XXV), 2(XXXI), 9(XXXIV)]	Regular Sessions' work.	Draft ITTO Biennial Work Programme for 2015-2016 considered at the Fiftieth Session of the Council in 2014	Council	The BWP 2015-2016 will be considered at the 50 th Session of the ITTC in 2014
40.Decide on eligibility of approved actions, projects and pre- projects for funding out of Sub-account B of the Bali Partnership Fund. [ITTA, 2006, Article 21] [ITTC Decision 4(XXX)]	Regular Sessions' work. The Panel established under ITTC Decision 4(XXX) advises the Council on eligibility of actions, pre-projects and projects for funding out of Sub-Account B.	Decisions taken at the Forty-ninth and Fiftieth Sessions of the Council in 2013 and 2014	Council	The Panel on Sub-Account B of the Bali Partnership Fund Account will meet during the Forty-eighth Session of the Council.
41.Decide on project work, including financing, taking into account the recommendations made by the Committees on project proposals and on-going and completed approved projects. [ITTA, 2006, Articles 20, 21, 25]	Regular Sessions' work.	Decisions taken at the Forty-ninth and Fiftieth Sessions of the Council in 2013 and 2014	Council	The Council at its Forty-ninth Session will review the recommendations of the Committees and will decide on project work including financing.
42.Make allocations from unearmarked funds available in the Bali Partnership Fund and/or Special Account to fund implementation of eligible approved actions, projects and	Regular Sessions' work. The Panel established under ITTC Decision 4(XXX) advises Council on allocations of unearmarked funds.	Allocations made at the Forty-ninth and Fiftieth Sessions of the Council in 2013 and 2014	Council	The Panel on Sub-Account B of the Bali Partnership Fund Account will meet during the Forty-ninth Session of the Council to decide on the allocations from the available unearmarked funds.

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pre-projects. [ITTA, 2006, Article 21] [ITTC Decision 4(XXX)]				
43.Consider progress in the implementation, monitoring and evaluation of pre- projects, projects and activities under the Thematic Programmes Sub- Account. [ITTA, 2006, Article 20(6)] [ITTC Decisions 9(XLIV), 10(XLIV)]	Regular Sessions' work	 Progress considered at the Forty-ninth and Fiftieth Sessions of the Council in 2013 and 2014 	Council	The progress report on the implementation of the Thematic Programmes will be presented to the Council at its Forty-ninth Session under Provisional Agenda item 12.
44.Consider the reports of the Informal Advisory Group (IAG). [ITTC Decisions 3(XXII), 5(XXVI)]	Regular Sessions' work.	• Report of the Twenty-seventh and Twenty-eighth IAG considered at the Forty-ninth and Fiftieth Sessions of the Council in 2013 and 2014	Council	The Council will receive the report of the Twenty-seventh Meeting of the IAG under item 9 of its Provisional Agenda.
45.Review the results of relevant project and policy work of the Committees. [<i>ITTA</i> , 2006, Articles 24, 26]	Regular Sessions' work.	• Reports of the Committees presented at the Forty-ninth and Fiftieth Sessions of the Council in 2013 and 2014	Council	The Council at its Forty-ninth Session will consider and approve the reports of the Associated Sessions of the Committees under item 18 of its Provisional Agenda.
46.Approve selected projects for ex-post evaluation following procedures outlined in ITTC Decision 3(XXVIII).	Regular Sessions' work.	Projects selected for ex-post evaluation approved at the Forty-ninth and Fiftieth Sessions of	Council	The Council will consider and approve the reports of the Associated Committees, under item 18 of its Provisional Agenda, including recommendations of selected projects for expost evaluation.

[ITTC Decision 3(XXVIII)]		the Council in 2013 and 2014		
47.Consider and, if appropriate, take action to disseminate information on project findings and results. [ITTA, 2006, Article 26]	Regular Sessions' work.	Dissemination considered at the Forty-ninth and Fiftieth Sessions of the Council in 2013 and 2014	Council	Information on project findings and results are available on the ITTO website and in the Annual Report.
48.Consider the reports of mid-term and ex- post evaluations on on-going and completed projects. [<i>ITTA</i> , 2006, Articles 24, 26]	Regular Sessions' work.	Reports considered at the Forty-ninth and Fiftieth Sessions of the Council in 2013 and 2014	Joint Committees	The Joint Session of the Committees will consider the ex-post evaluation reports of three (3) projects in the field of Forest Industry and four (4) projects in the field of Reforestation and Forest Management at the Forty-seventh Session of the Committees.
49. Review the independent audited statements for the 2012 and 2013 financial years, and make recommendation to the Council for their approval. [<i>ITTA, 2006, Article</i> 26(3)]	Regular Sessions' work.	Reports of independent auditors published in ITTO Annual Reports in 2012 and 2013	CFA	The Committee at its Twenty-eighth Session in Libreville, Gabon, will consider the audited Financial Statements of the Organization and the Reports of the Independent Auditor for the year 2012, and if satisfactory, will subsequently recommend to the Council for its approval.
50.Make recommendations to Council on the appointment of auditor for a three- year term for the purpose of auditing the accounts of the Organization for the 2013, 2014 and 2015 financial years. <i>[ITTA, 2006, Article</i>	Routine. Regular Sessions' work.	• Twenty-eighth CFA Report presented at the Forty-ninth Session of the Council in 2013	CFA	The Committee on Finance and Administration will recommend to the Council the appointment of a new Independent auditor for a three-year term for the purpose of auditing the accounts of the Organization for the 2013, 2014 and 2015 financial years.

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51.Examine and make recommendations to Council, regarding the approval of the Organization's administrative budget proposals for the financial years 2014 and 2015. [<i>ITTA, 2006, Article</i> 26(3)]	Routine. Regular Sessions' work.	• Twenty-eighth CFA Report presented at the Forty-ninth Session of the Council in 2013	CFA	The Committee on Finance and Administration at its Twenty-eighth Session in Libreville, Gabon, will review and make recommendations to the Council on the Organization's administrative budget for the years 2014 and 2015.
52.Review the assets of the Organization to ensure prudent asset management and that the Organization has sufficient reserves to carry out its work. [ITTA, 2006, Article 26(3)]	Routine. Regular Sessions' work.	Report of the independent auditors for the financial years 2012 and 2013 presented at the Forty-ninth Session and Fiftieth Sessions of the Council in 2013 and 2014	CFA	The Committee on Finance and Administration will conduct a review of the Organization's assets at its Twenty-eighth Session in Libreville, Gabon, as part of the regular work.
53.Examine and make recommendations to Council, on the budgetary implications of the Organization's work programme, and the actions that might be taken to secure the resources needed to implement it. [<i>ITTA</i> , 2006, Article 26(3)]	Routine. Regular Sessions' work.	• Decision on the ITTO Biennial Work Programme 2013-2014 presented at the Forty-eighth Session of the Council in 2012	CFA	The Committee on Finance and Administration will conduct a review at its Twenty-eighth Session in Libreville, Gabon, as part of the regular work.
54.Promote Resource Mobilization and Partnership of ITTO [ITTA, 2006, Articles 1(g), (j)]	This 24-month activity will be divided into a first year of preparing and launching a funds mobilization and partnership strategy and a second year of active implementation. Specific activities will be refined in the first quarter of year one, but are expected to include, in	Report of work in 2013 and plan for 2014 presented to the Forty-ninth Session of the	CFA	Funding received:US\$ 97,443Funding pending:Year 2013US\$ NilYear 2014US\$ NilThe Committee on Finance and Administration

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 the first year: Formation of an informal, open-ended ad hoc advisory group including producer and consumer members and stakeholders to advise the Executive Director in developing and launching the strategy Drafting of a proposal of fund mobilization and partnership strategy/action plan by the Secretariat Convening of one or more meetings of members, partners and resource persons Further consultation and refinement of the strategy Submit a draft strategy and progress report to the Forty-ninth Session of the Council Year Two activities will be defined in detail during Year One, and will be provided in a report to the Council at its Forty-ninth Session. Expected funding sources: Voluntary Contributions Year 2013–US\$50,000 Year 2014–US\$50,000 	Council in 2013.	will receive and consider the report of the Working Group on Mobilizing New Funding and Partnerships for ITTO and its Objectives under item 11 of its Provisional Agenda.
Sub-total 2013: US\$205,626 Sub-total 2014: US\$290,000		
Biennium Sub-total: US\$495,626		

 TOTAL 2013:
 US\$5,046,108

 TOTAL 2014:
 US\$4,370,482

 BIENNIUM GRAND TOTAL:
 US\$9,416,590