



FORTY-NINTH SESSION  
25 - 30 November 2013  
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**DECISION 1(XLIX)**

**PROJECTS, PRE-PROJECTS AND ACTIVITIES**

The International Tropical Timber Council,

Having considered at its Forty-ninth Session the recommendations of the three Committees on Projects, Pre-Projects and Activities, as contained in documents CEM-CFI(XLVII)/6 , and CRF(XLVII)/8; and the report of the Nineteenth Meeting of the Panel on Sub-Account B of the Bali Partnership Fund as contained in document ITTC(XLIX)/12;

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 2013;

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 2013:

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| PPD 162/12 Rev.2 (F) | Developing Model of a Self-sufficient and Sustainable FMU (Indonesia)<br>ITTO Budget: \$70,291.00  |
| PPD 163/12 Rev.2 (F) | Assessing Growth and Yield Rates of Major Commercial Species for the Adjustment of Forest Management Programs in the Yucatan Peninsula, Mexico (Mexico)<br>ITTO Budget: \$89,474.22                            |
| PPD 167/13 Rev.1 (M) | Feasibility Study on the Certification of ONAB's National Plantation Estates (Benin)<br>ITTO Budget: \$88,794.00   |
| PD 645/12 Rev.3 (F)  | Promoting Sustainable Forest Management of Rinjani Barat Forest Management Unit (Indonesia)<br>ITTO Budget: \$505,781.00   |
| PD 646/12 Rev.3 (F)  | Initiating The Conservation of Cempaka Tree Species (Elmerrillia spp.) Through Plantation Development with Local Community Participation In North Sulawesi, Indonesia (Indonesia)<br>ITTO Budget: \$435,187.20 |
| PD 665/12 Rev.2 (F)  | Implementation of a Fire Prevention and Control Plan in the Central Amazon Region of Peru (Peru)<br>ITTO Budget: \$759,121.00  |

- PD 682/13 Rev.1 (F) Development of Quality-of-Governance Standards for Reducing Emissions from Deforestation and Forest Degradation (REDD) in Papua New Guinea (Papua New Guinea)  
ITTO Budget: \$149,744.00
- PD 686/13 Rev.1 (M) Enhanced Research and Promotion of Non-Traditional Broadleaved Timber Species in Honduras (Honduras)  
ITTO Budget: \$408,285.00
- PD 687/13 Rev.1 (I) Strengthening the Performance of the Wood Processing Sector in Guyana, through Building Local Capacity and the Enhancing National Systems that Promote Forest Products Trade and Sustainable Utilization of Forest Resources (Guyana)  
ITTO Budget: \$250,068.00
- PD 689/13 Rev.1 (I) Promoting Biological and Non-Biological Agent Prevention and Control Techniques in Mechanical Timber Processing in Peru (Peru)  
ITTO Budget: \$456,696.00
- PD 692/13 Rev.1 (M) Implementation and Operationalization of a National Information System for the Sustainable Management of Forest Resources (Cote d'Ivoire)  
ITTO Budget: \$290,541.00
- PD 700/13 Rev.1 (I) Development of Intra-African Trade and Further Processing in Tropical Timber and Timber Products – Phase I (ITTO)  
ITTO Budget: \$5,159,245.00
- (b) Autumn project cycle for 2013:
- PPD 166/13 Rev.2 (F) Improving the Fuel Wood Supply through the Provision of Support to the Development of Forest Plantations in the Mokolo, Maroua and Kaelé Municipalities in the Sahelian Part of Cameroon (Cameroon)  
ITTO Budget: \$70,056.00
- PPD 172/13 Rev.1 (I) Platform for Genetic Improvement of Species - Critical Information Development Phase for Implementation in Campeche (Mexico)  
ITTO Budget: \$96,600.00
- PPD 173/13 Rev.1 (I) Management of Tropical Forest Species for the Production of Timber for Rural and Tourism Infrastructure Construction in South-East Mexico (Mexico)  
ITTO Budget: \$54,058.00
- PPD 176/13 Rev.1 (F) Identification and Planning of Measures for the Sustainable Management of the Forest Estate Owned by Individuals in Togo (Togo)  
ITTO Budget: \$53,368.00
- PD 631/12 Rev.2 (F) Reforestation of Coastal Wetlands in Southern Ghana Using Indigenous Tree and Bamboo Species (Ghana)  
ITTO Budget: \$511,661.00
- PD 660/12 Rev.3 (I) Enhancing Industrial and Community Utilization of Wood Residues through Briquette and Charcoal Production for Environmental and Livelihood Improvement in Ghana (Ghana)  
ITTO Budget: \$705,107.00

PD 661/12 Rev.2 (I)	Towards Sustainable Utilization of Bamboo Resource 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) ITTO Budget: \$607,264.00
PD 694/13 Rev.2 (M)	Promoting Development of Teak Plantations on Farmlands to Improve Quality, Marketing and Livelihood of Local Communities in Forest-Savannah Transition Zone, Ghana (Ghana) ITTO Budget: \$567,022.00
PD 695/13 Rev.2 (F)	Rehabilitation of Degraded Gazetted Forests in the Mount Korhogo, Foubou and Badenou in Northern Côte d'Ivoire with the Involvement of Local Communities (Côte d'Ivoire) ITTO Budget: \$1,304,942.00
PD 696/13 Rev.2 (F)	Community Based Restoration and Sustainable Management of Vulnerable Forests of the Rewa Delta, Viti Levu (Fiji) ITTO Budget: \$310,576.00
PD 698/13 Rev.2 (I)	Facilitating Forest-Industry-Market Integration (Guatemala) ITTO Budget: \$419,440.00
PD 710/13 Rev.1 (F)	Promoting Conservation of Selected High-value Indigenous Species of Sumatra (Indonesia) ITTO Budget: \$479,976.00
PD 715/13 Rev.1 (F)	Improving the Production, Conservation and Management of Forest Seeds in Benin (Benin) ITTO Budget: \$609,168.00
PD 722/13 Rev.1 (I)	Capacity Building on Reduced Impact Logging (RIL) in Dry Inland Forest in the Permanent Forest of Peninsular Malaysia (Malaysia) ITTO Budget: \$226,041.00
PD 723/13 Rev.1 (F)	Capacity Building for Strengthening Transboundary Biodiversity Conservation of the Taninthayi Range in Myanmar (Myanmar) ITTO Budget: \$3,093,976.00
PD 724/13 Rev.1 (F)	Guidelines for the Management of Tara (Caesalpinea spinosa) Plantations with a View to the Rehabilitation of Waste Lands in the Sub-humid Tropics of the Coastal Region of Peru (Peru) ITTO Budget: \$149,632.00

- (ii) Authorize the financing for immediate implementation of the Projects, Pre-Projects and Activities as listed in the Annex 1 to this Decision; and
  - (iii) 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 Account 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 2013 for the immediate implementation  
of the Projects, Pre-Projects and Activities  
as listed below**

(i) Approved during the 2013 project cycles:	
PD 696/13 Rev.2 (F) Community Based Restoration and Sustainable Management of Vulnerable Forests of the Rewa Delta, Viti Levu (Fiji)	\$310,576.00
PD 710/13 Rev.1 (F) Promoting Conservation of Selected High-value Indigenous Species of Sumatra (Indonesia)	\$479,976.00
PD 722/13 Rev.1 (I) Capacity Building on Reduced Impact Logging (RIL) in Dry Inland Forest in the Permanent Forest of Peninsular Malaysia (Malaysia)	\$226,041.00
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PD 692/13 Rev.1 (M) Implementation and Operationalization of a National Information System for the Sustainable Management of Forest Resources (Cote d'Ivoire)	\$290,541.00
PPD 167/13 Rev.1 (M) Feasibility Study on the Certification of ONAB's National Plantation Estates (Benin)	\$88,794.00
(ii) Approved in the earlier project cycles:	
PD 124/01 Rev.4 (M) Phase III Stage 2 Promotion of Sustainable Management of African Forests	\$600,000.00
PD 601/11 Rev.3 (F) Strengthening the Mangrove Ecosystem Conservation in the Biosphere Reserve of Northwestern Peru (Peru)	\$496,290.00
PD 602/11 Rev.3 (F) Tropical Forest Governance in the Region of Darien, Panama (Panama)	\$350,402.00

Freezailah Fellowship Fund	\$200,000.00
Balance of Budget Year 2013 (partial)	\$315,000.00
Budget Year 2014 (partial)	
PD 73/89 (M,F,I)	\$88,961.41
Assistance for Project Identification and Formulation	
Additional funding for Pre-feasibility Study	
PD 419/06 Rev.3 (F) EXT-TICAD5	\$1,800,000.00
Forest Seeds Management and Conservation; Project for	
Rehabilitation and Reforestation of Degraded Forests in	
Côte d'Ivoire with the Involvement of Local Communities	
(Refugees, Internally Displaced People and Local	
Populations) (Côte d'Ivoire)	

(iii) Activities approved in the Biennial Work Programme for the years 2013-2014:

PP-A/49-287	\$95,150.00
Demonstration and adoption of credit schemes for Small-Medium Forest Enterprises (SMFEs)	
(partial funding)	
(ITTO Biennial Programme Activity: 2)	
PP-A/39-162A ITTO CITES Programme	\$1,775,657.24
Additional funding for Year 2013	
(ITTO Biennial Programme Activity: 8)	
PP-A/48-274	\$30,000.00
Continue to monitor progress in the application of criteria and indicators for sustainable forest management	
- 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))	
PP-A/48-275	\$115,793.57
Promote the understanding of the contribution of environmental services to the sustainable management of tropical forests	
(ITTO Biennial Programme Activity: 12)	
PP-A/49-288	\$25,000.00
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	
ITTO participation in major international restoration forums	
(ITTO Biennial Programme Activity: 14 (b))	
PP-A/48-277	\$20,000.00
Contribute appropriately to national and international efforts in the area of prevention and management of fire in relation to tropical timber-producing forests	
6 <sup>th</sup> International Wildland Fire Conference to be held in 2015 in South Korea	
(ITTO Biennial Programme Activity: 15 (b))	

PP-A/48-278	\$100,000.00
Further enhance public relations, education and outreach activities to best convey the achievement of the objectives of the Organization	
Participating in, convening side events and exhibiting ITTO outreach materials at relevant international events (ITTO Biennial Programme Activity: 20 (b))	
PP-A/49-289	\$245,000.00
Implementation of the ITTO knowledge management strategy and knowledge management guidelines (ITTO Biennial Programme Activity: 22)	
PP-A/48-280	\$90,000.00
Development of Environmental Product Declaration (EPD) for three tropical wood products	
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 (ITTO Biennial Programme Activity: 23)	
PP-A/49-291	€ 4,000,000.00 (Approx. US\$5,435,000)
Promote trade in tropical timber and tropical timber products from sustainably managed and legally harvested sources	
Independent timber market monitoring: analysis of the reception of FLEGT (Forest Law Enforcement, Governance and Trade) licensed timber on the EU market as framed by VPAs (Voluntary Partnership Agreements) (ITTO Biennial Programme Activity: 25 (b))	
	(*See note 2) Pledges for 5-year period of 2013-2018 See also PP-A/49-293.
PP-A/47-263	\$50,000.00
Disseminate findings outputs and lessons from completed ITTO projects to support the development of the tropical forest industry sector, including SMFE (ITTO Biennial Programme Activity: 33)	
PP-A/49-292	\$35,000.00
Promote the publication, dissemination and application of the revised <i>ITTO Guidelines for the Sustainable Management of Natural Tropical Forests</i>	
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 (ITTO Biennial Programme Activity: 35 (c))	
PP-A/49-293	\$75,000.00
Promote the publication, dissemination and application of the revised <i>ITTO Guidelines for the Sustainable Management of Natural Tropical Forests</i>	
Latin America Education Workshop (ITTO Biennial Programme Activity: 35 (c))	

PP-A/49-294 Promote Resource Mobilization and Partnership of ITTO Implementation of Fundraising Action Plan (budget for one year)	\$100,000.00 <i>(\$66,200 through residue of previous Activity and \$13,800 through PP-A/49-291)</i>
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(iv) Additional funds for the continued implementation of the following Thematic Programme approved earlier:

PP-A/ 44-236 Forest Law Enforcement, Governance and Trade (TFLET) Decision 10(XLIV) - Additional Funding:	\$1,941,097.49
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Note 1: Total pledges during 2013 amount to US\$15,699,091.71, including the indicative figures for €4 million.

Note 2: Pledges made in currencies other than the US Dollars shall be converted at the prevailing rate of exchange on the date of receipt of funds.

## ANNEX 2

### Projects, Pre-Projects and Activities Approved During 2013 Pending Financing

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