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ANNOTATIONS TO THE PROVISIONAL AGENDA

Item 1 - Opening of the Session

The Forty-eighth Session of the Committees will be conducted jointly and co-chaired by Mr. Osamu Hashiramoto (Japan), Chairperson of the Committee on Economics, Statistics and Markets (CEM) and Mr. Björn Merzell (Sweden), Chairperson of the Committee on Forest Industry (CFI).

Item 2 - Adoption of Agenda and Organization of Work

[Document CEM-CFI(XLVIII)/1]

The Committees may consider the Provisional Agenda and adopt the Agenda for the session. On the organization of work, it is to be noted that the schedule of meetings for the work of the Committees will be determined after usual consultations. The Committees may also constitute the usual informal open-ended working group(s) to assist in the consideration of specific matters related to the Agenda. Items 4, 6 and 8(A) of the Agenda, will be considered at the joint session of the Committees.

Item 3 - Admission of Observers

The Committees may admit those observers as approved by the Council to attend the session as observers.

Item 4 - Reports of the Expert Panel for Technical Appraisal of Project Proposals

[Documents ITTC/EP-47 and ITTC/EP-48]

Pursuant to Annex B of ITTC Decision 4(XXV), the general observations of the reports produced by the Expert Panel shall be considered under this item in a joint session of the Committees. The reports of the Forty-seventh and Forty-eighth Expert Panels, including the general observations are contained in documents ITTC/EP-47 and ITTC/EP-48.

Item 5 - New Projects and Pre-Projects

[Documents ITTC/EP-47 and ITTC/EP-48]

The Committees may note the following projects and pre-project which have been approved under the time-bound electronic no objection procedure to accept Expert Panel ratings and circulated to member countries pursuant to ITTC Decision 6(XLIII), following the recommendations of the Expert Panel for the Technical Appraisal of Project Proposals at its Forty-seventh Meeting held in Yokohama, Japan on 3-7 February 2014, as contained in Document ITTC/EP-47.

Forty-seventh Expert Panel

Category 1:

Committee on Forest Industry		
PD/PPD NUMBER	TITLE	SUBMITTING COUNTRY
PD 709/13 Rev.2 (I)	Enhancing Bali Wooden Handicraft Industry by Improving the Quality of Planted-Wood Raw Materials and Complying to Legality Standard	Indonesia
PD 719/13 Rev.2 (I)	Competitiveness and Business Strengthening for a Carpenter Group in Region VII (Huehuetenango – Quiché), Guatemala	Guatemala
PD 737/14 Rev.1 (I)	Developing Supply Capacity of Wood-based Biomass Energy through Improved Enabling Conditions and Efficient Utilization of Degraded Forest Lands Involving Local Communities in North Sumatra Province of Indonesia	Indonesia

Category 4:

Committee on Economics, Statistics and Markets		
PD/PPD NUMBER	TITLE	SUBMITTING COUNTRY
PD 743/14 (M)	Capacity Building and Support to the Implementation of the ITTO Process Coordination System in Cameroon	Cameroon

Committee on Forest Industry		
PD/PPD NUMBER	TITLE	SUBMITTING COUNTRY
PD 729/14 (I)	Small-Holder Rattan-based Enterprise Developments in Southeast Asia	Philippines

The Committees may note the following projects and pre-projects which are subject to approval under the time-bound electronic no objection procedure to accept Expert Panel ratings pursuant to ITTC Decision 6(XLVIII), following the recommendations of the Expert Panel for the Technical Appraisal of Project Proposals at its Forty-eighth Meeting held in Yokohama, Japan on 4-8 August 2014 as contained in Document ITTC/EP 48.

Forty-eighth Expert Panel

Category 1:

Committee on Economics, Statistics and Markets		
PD/PPD NUMBER	TITLE	SUBMITTING COUNTRY
PD 746/14 Rev.2 (M)	Strengthening the Production, Marketing and Conservation of Pinabete in Guatemala	Guatemala
PD 756/14 Rev.1 (M)	Development of a Business Management Services Program for Forest MSMEs (Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises) in Guatemala	Guatemala

Committee on Forest Industry		
PD/PPD NUMBER	TITLE	SUBMITTING COUNTRY
PD 720/13 Rev.3 (I)	Strengthening of Two Community Associations to Improve the Forest Industry in the Department of Huehuetenango, Guatemala	Guatemala

Category 4:

Committee on Economics, Statistics and Markets		
PD/PPD NUMBER	TITLE	SUBMITTING COUNTRY
PD 758/14 (M)	Community Forestry and Small Enterprise Contributing to Legal and Sustainable Timber Trade in Ghana	Ghana
PD 759/14 (M)	Implementing FLEGT VPA Legality Assurance Mechanism to Improve Knowledge, Skills and Technical Capacity of Industry and Advance Market Acceptability of Ghana's Timber and Timber Products	Ghana

Rating schedule for Project proposals

Category 1: The Panel concluded that the proposal could be commended to the Committee with incorporation of amendments.

Category 4: The Panel concluded that it could not commend the proposal to the Committee, and submits it to the Committee with the recommendation not to approve the Project proposal. Justification should be given to the proponent and the Committee (e.g. complete reformulation is necessary; in case of rev.2 Project proposals; Project not relevant; Project with insufficient information, etc.)

Item 6 - ITTO Annual Market Discussion - 2014

This item will be taken up in the joint session of the Committees. The theme of the ITTO Annual Market Discussion - 2014 as proposed by the Trade Advisory Group (T-A-G) and endorsed at the Forty-seventh Session of the Committees is "Domestic and Emerging International Markets – A Changing Market Landscape". An information note detailing the schedule and speakers for the ITTO Annual Market Discussion - 2014 will be circulated during the session.

Item 7 - Report on Completed Projects and Pre-projects

[Document CEM-CFI(XLVIII)/2]

The Committees may consider the report prepared by the Secretariat as contained in document CEM-CFI(XLVIII)/2 on the following projects that may be declared complete:

Committee on Economics, Statistics and Markets

None.

Committee on Forest Industry

1. PD 39/93 Rev.4 (I) Ph II The Development, Application and Evaluation of Biomass Energy through Briquetting, Gasification and Combustion of (Wood and Agricultural) Residues (Cameroon)
2. PD 521/08 Rev.3 (I) Participatory Forest Management for Sustainable Utilization of Non Timber Forest Products (NTFP) Surrounding the Protected Area of Rinjani and Mutis Timau Mt, Nusa Tenggara Indonesia

Item 8 - Ex-post Evaluation

[Document CEM-CFI(XLVIII)/3]

(A) Ex-post Evaluation Reports

Committee on Economics, Statistics and Markets

The Committees may recall that the following project was selected for ex-post evaluation during the Forty-seventh Session.

PD 406/06 Rev.1 (M) Establishment of the National Forest and Timber Marketing Statistics System (Ecuador)

Committee on Forest Industry

The Committees may recall that the following projects were selected for ex-post evaluation by the Committees:

Forty-sixth Session
PD 40/00 Rev.4 (I) Utilization of Small-Diameter Logs from Sustainable Source for Bio-Composite Products (Indonesia)

PD 334/05 Rev.2 (I) Demonstration and Application of Production and Utilization Technologies for Rattan Sustainable Development in the ASEAN Member Countries (Philippines)

Forty-seventh Session
PD 523/08 Rev.1 (I)

Operational Strategies for the Promotion of Efficient Utilization of
Rubber Wood from Sustainable Sources in Indonesia

The Committees may consider the executive summaries of the reports of the ex-post evaluation of these projects as contained in document CEM-CFI(XLVIII)/3.

(B) Selection of Projects for Ex-post Evaluation

According to ITTC Decision 3(XXVIII) on “Ex-post Evaluation of Projects”, the Committees are requested to consider for ex-post evaluation all completed individual projects or group(s) of projects based on the criteria contained in Annex 1 of the Decision. The consideration by the Committees is normally to be taken at the session at which the projects are declared complete. The Committees may also consider and select projects that would be declared complete at this session under item 7, which meet the criteria of ITTC Decision 3(XXVIII).

Item 9 - Policy Work

ITTC policy work instructions to Committees, pursuant to ITTC Decision 4(XXV) include:

- Restructure the agendas of the Committees to include a separate agenda item for policy work.
- Use the current ITTO Strategic Action Plan, the policy-relevant aspects of the ITTO Biennial Work Programmes, the findings of completed projects and Council Decisions as the primary basis for identifying items for policy development.
- Decide during each session of each Committee those subjects which will be discussed under the agenda item Policy Work during its next session and agree upon the way to prepare for such a discussion in the Committee.

Committee on Economics, Statistics and Markets

The Committees at the Forty-seventh Session held discussions and agreed to continue to work in the Forty-eighth Session on the following policy-related matters under the Committee on Economics, Statistics and Markets:

- Market Access (The Secretariat will report on the updated information on this policy-related matter);
- Forest and Timber Certification (The Secretariat will report on the updated information on this policy-related matter);
- Selected Data and Analysis from Elements for the ITTO Bi-annual Review and Assessment of the World Timber Situation 2013-2014; and
- Analyse the economic impact of governmental procurement policies on tropical timber markets [Activity 26, ITTO Biennial Work Programme 2013-2014] (The final report of the activity implemented under TMT-SPD 013/12 Rev.1 (M) will be presented to the Committees).

The Committees will also consider a brief report from the consultant engaged to implement the EU-funded project “Independent Market Monitoring of FELGT-licensed timber” being implemented under Activity 25 (b) of the ITTO Biennial Work Programme 2013-14 “Promote trade in tropical timber and tropical timber products from sustainably managed and legally harvested sources”.

Committee on Forest Industry

The Committees may wish to consider progress in the implementation of the following policy-related matters under the Committee on Forest Industry as contained in the ITTO Biennial Work Programme for 2013-2014 pursuant to ITTC Decision 2(XLVIII):

- Matching the needs of the forest industry with innovations, technologies and know-how developed through ITTO projects [Activity 33, ITTO Biennial Work Programme 2013-2014] (The Secretariat will report on the progress in the implementation of this activity).

Item 10 – Biennial Work Programme of the Committees for 2015-2016
[Document ITTC(L)10]

In accordance with the recommendation by the Council, the Committees may wish to discuss and consider the draft ITTO Biennial Work Programme for 2015-2016, as contained in document ITTC(L)/10, particularly the section pertaining to the strategic policy activities of the Committees.

Item 11 - Review of Projects and Pre-projects in Progress
[Document CEM-CFI(XLVIII)/4]

In order to further streamline its work, the Committees, in accordance with ITTC Decision 4(XXV), Annex A, Section VI, requested that reporting and discussion during the Session be limited to projects and pre-projects that are:

- having implementation problems;
- requiring additional funding;
- requesting extension in time of more than six months beyond the original duration of the project; or
- requesting essential major modifications of the work plan and budget.

The Committees may consider the report prepared by the Secretariat as contained in document CEM-CFI(XLVIII)/4 on the progress or status of projects, pre-projects and activities approved for financing and implementation by the Council. The status of some projects, pre-projects and activities may change from the time this agenda is distributed to the time document CEM-CFI(XLVIII)/4 is prepared and the time the Session is convened. Projects and pre-projects meeting the terms of ITTC Decision 4(XXV) are highlighted in bold in document CEM-CFI(XLVIII)/4. The report covers the following:

(A) Projects and Pre-projects under implementation

Committee on Economics, Statistics and Markets

1. PD 124/01 Rev.4 (M) Promotion of Sustainable Management of African Forests (Africa)
Phase III Stage 2
2. PD 449/07 Rev.2 (M) Enhancing Forest Law Enforcement in Papua New Guinea
3. PD 599/11 Rev.1 (M) Development and Testing of National Forest Stock Monitoring System (FSMS) with Improved Governance Capabilities at all Levels of the Forest Administration (Philippines)
4. PD 620/11 Rev.1 (M) Development and Implementation of a Species Identification and Timber Tracking System in Africa with DNA Fingerprints and Stable Isotopes (Germany)
5. PD 621/11 Rev.3 (M) Traceability of Timber Produced by Forest Concession and Native Communities in Madre de Dios and Ucayali (Peru)
6. PD 678/12 Rev.1 (M) Establishment of a National Forest Statistics Information Management System in Benin
7. PD 692/13 Rev.1 (M) Implementation and Operationalization of a National Information System for the Sustainable Management of Forest Resources (Côte d'Ivoire)
8. PPD 167/13 Rev.1 (M) Feasibility Study on the Certification of ONAB's National Plantation Estates (Benin)

Committee on Forest Industry

1. PD 73/89 (M,F,I) Assistance for Project Identification and Formulation (Global)

2. PD 364/05 Rev.4 (I) Providing Village Communities with Basic Technological Training for Extracting Valuable Essential Oils from Eucalyptus Citriodora Plantations in Rural Areas of Congo (Rep. of Congo)
3. PD 433/06 Rev.3 (I) Sustainable Model for the Brazilian Wood Flooring Production Chain
4. PD 457/07 Rev.5 (I) Operational Supportive System for Promoting the Further Processing of Timber in Five Countries of the Congo Basin (Gabon)
5. PD 506/08 Rev.1 (I) Reviving Forestry Education in Liberia
6. PD 540/09 Rev.2 (I) Support to Improve the Productivity of the Peruvian Timber Industry for the Production of Higher Value-added Products
7. PD 600/11 Rev.1 (I) Model Capacity Building for Efficient and Sustainable Utilization of Bamboo Resources in Indonesia
8. 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
9. PD 722/13 Rev.1 (I) Capacity Building and Reduced Impact Logging (RIL) in Dry Inland Forest in the Permanent Forest on Peninsular Malaysia

(B) Projects and Pre-projects pending agreement

None.

(C) Projects and Pre-projects pending financing

Committee on Economics, Statistics and Markets

1. PD 124/01 Rev.4 (M)
Phase III Stage 3 Promotion of Sustainable Management of African Forests (Africa)
2. PD 686/13 Rev.1 (M) Enhanced Research and Promotion of Non-Traditional Broadleaved Timber Species in Honduras
3. 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

Committee on Forest Industry

1. PD 608/11 Rev.1 (I) Life Cycle Assessment-Based Initiative for Carbon Foot Print Reduction and Improved Utilization of Tropical Timber Products from Malaysia
2. 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
3. PD 689/13 Rev.1 (I) Promoting Biological and Non-Biological Agent Prevention and Control Techniques in Mechanical Timber Processing in Peru
4. PD 698/13 Rev.2 (I) Facilitating Forest-Industry-Market Integration (Guatemala)
5. PD 700/13 Rev.1 (I) Development of Intra-African Trade and Further Processing in Tropical Timber and Timber Products – Phase I

6. PD 709/13 Rev.2 (I) Enhancing Bali Wooden Handicraft Industry by Improving the Quality of Planted-Wood Raw Materials and Complying to Legality Standard (Indonesia)
7. PD 719/13 Rev.2 (I) Competitiveness and Business Strengthening for a Carpenter Group in Region VII (Huehuetenango-Quiché), Guatemala
8. PD 737/14 Rev.1 (I) Developing Supply Capacity of Wood-based Biomass Energy through Improved Enabling Conditions and Efficient Utilization of Degraded Forest Lands Involving Local Communities in North Sumatra Province of Indonesia
9. PPD 172/13 Rev.1 (I) Platform for Genetic Improvement of *Tabebuia* Species – Critical Information Development Phase for Implementation in Campeche, Mexico
10. 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

Item 12 - Election of Chairpersons and Vice-Chairpersons for 2015

The election of Chairpersons and Vice-Chairpersons for 2015 will be the subject of consultations within the Council and the Committees.

Item 13 - Dates and Venues of the Forty-ninth and Fiftieth Sessions of the Committees

The dates and venues of the Forty-ninth and Fiftieth Sessions of the Committees are determined in relation to the dates and venues fixed by the Council for its Fifty-first and Fifty-second Sessions.

Item 14 - Other Business

The Committees may consider any matters raised for discussion under this item.

Item 15 - Recommendations to the International Tropical Timber Council

The Committees may consider recommendations to the Council on projects, pre-projects, policy work and any other matters concerning economics, statistics and markets and forest industry.

Item 16 - Report of the Session

The Committees may consider and adopt a report containing recommendations to the Council. The Committees may request the Co-chairpersons to present the report during the Fiftieth Session of the Council for consideration and adoption.

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