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DECISION 1(L)

PROJECTS, PRE-PROJECTS AND ACTIVITIES

The International Tropical Timber Council,

Having considered at its Fiftieth Session the recommendations of the three Committees on Projects, Pre-Projects and Activities, as contained in documents CEM-CFI(XLVIII)/6 and CRF(XLVIII)/7; and the report of the Twentieth Meeting of the Panel on Sub-Account B of the Bali Partnership Fund as contained in document ITTC(L)/18;

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 2014;

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 2014:

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| PPD 169/13 Rev.2 (F) | Identification of Project for the Reforestation and Management of the Large Ndjock-Lipan Forest Complex in the Bondjock, Department of Nyong et Kéllé · Central Cameroon (Cameroon)
ITTO Budget: \$93,285.00 |
| PPD 170/13 Rev.2 (F) | Identification of a Project in Support of Natural Regeneration and the Establishment of Forest Plantations in the Mbam-and-Kim Department (Cameroon)
ITTO Budget: \$90,804.00 |
| PPD 177/14 Rev.1 (F) | Inventory of Mangrove Ecosystem and Development of a Management Plan for Gabon (Gabon)
ITTO Budget: \$95,928.00 |
| PD 684/13 Rev.3 (F) | Biodiversity Conservation with Collaboration of Local Communities in Traditionally Owned Forest Areas of South Western Ghana (Ghana)
ITTO Budget: \$489,194.00 |
| PD 690/13 Rev.3 (F) | Bamboo for Life: An Alternative for the Rehabilitation of Degraded Forests and Sustainable Rural Development in the Peruvian Amazon Region (Peru)
ITTO Budget: \$601,037.00 |
| 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)
ITTO Budget: \$540,008.00 |

- PD 712/13 Rev.2 (F) Enhancing the Implementation of Landscape Management of Giam Siak Kecil-Bukit Batu Biosphere Reserve (GSK-BR) in Riau Province of Sumatra Island, Indonesia (Indonesia)
ITTO Budget: \$498,154.00
- PD 713/13 Rev.2 (F) Operationalizing the Policy on Sustainable Management of Sandalwood Resource through Improved Livelihood and Increased Participation of Local Communities (Indonesia)
ITTO Budget: \$592,155.20
- PD 717/13 Rev.2 (F) Enrichment of Young Forest Plantations with Selected NTFPs for Livelihood Improvement and Support of Forest Fringe Communities in Atwima Mponua District of Ghana, in Order to Secure and Protect the Resources on a Sustainable Forest Management Basis (Ghana)
ITTO Budget: \$414,904.00
- PD 719/13 Rev.2 (I) Competitiveness and Business Strengthening for a Carpenter Group in Region VII (Huehuetenango-Quiché), Guatemala (Guatemala)
ITTO Budget: \$149,968.00
- PD 721/13 Rev.2 (F) Building a Participatory and Inclusive Sustainable Forest Management Process for the Reduction of Deforestation and Forest Degradation in the Ixil Forest Areas of the Municipality of Nebaj, Quiché (Guatemala)
ITTO Budget: \$441,238.50
- PD 725/13 Rev.2 (F) Rehabilitation of Degraded Forest Land in the Ahua Forest Reserve by the Women Members of Association Malebi in Compensation for the Forest Resources Removed to Meet the Need for Fuel Wood (Charcoal and Fire Wood) (Cote d'Ivoire)
ITTO Budget: \$149,408.00
- PD 736/14 Rev.1 (F) Enhancing Conservation and Sustainable Production of Indonesian Rosewood (*Dalbergia* spp.) (Indonesia)
ITTO Budget: \$414,792.00
- 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)
ITTO Budget: \$594,832.00
- PD 739/14 Rev.1 (F) Initiating the Conservation of Eboni Species (*Diospyros celebica* Bakh) Involving Local Stakeholders in Sulawesi (Indonesia)
ITTO Budget: \$402,550.00
- PD 742/14 Rev.1 (F) Local Capacity Building for the Management of Secondary and Residual Primary Forests in the Provinces of Coronel Portillo and Padre Abad, Department of Ucayali, Peru (Peru)
ITTO Budget: \$522,637.00
- PD 747/14 Rev.1 (F) Strengthening Community Forest Management Through The Implementation of Forest Training and Extension In Guatemala (Guatemala)
ITTO Budget: \$572,292.00

(b) Autumn project cycle for 2014:

- PPD 180/14 Rev.1 (F) Pre-Project for the Rehabilitation and Sustainable Management of the Mangrove Forests in the Coastal Area of Cote d'Ivoire (Cote d'Ivoire)
ITTO Budget: \$99,994.00

PPD 181/14 Rev.1 (F)	Feasibility Study on the Payment of Ecosystem Services Provided by Forests in Benin (Benin) ITTO Budget: \$71,098.00
PD 720/13 Rev.3 (I)	Strengthening of Two Community Associations to Improve the Forest Industry in the Department of Huehuetenango, Guatemala (Guatemala) ITTO Budget: \$129,371.00
PD 733/14 Rev.2 (F)	Promoting Forest Restoration through Multiple-use of Degraded Forest Lands within Anwhiaso East Forest Reserve in Ghana (Ghana) ITTO Budget: \$416,246.00
PD 735/14 Rev.2 (F)	Enhancing Partnership Efforts to Restore Peat Swamp Forests in Sumatra (Indonesia) ITTO Budget: \$453,684.00
PD 740/14 Rev.2 (F)	Sustainable forest management through REDD+ mechanisms in Kampong Thom Province (Cambodia) ITTO Budget: \$484,792.00
PD 741/14 Rev.2 (F)	Capacity Building for the Sustainable Management of Tropical Dry Forests on the North Coast of Peru (Peru) ITTO Budget: \$480,077.00
PD 746/14 Rev.2 (M)	Strengthening the Production, Marketing and Conservation of Pinabete in Guatemala (Guatemala) ITTO Budget: \$508,872.00
PD 752/14 Rev.1 (F)	Restoring Mangrove Forest Landscapes: an Opportunity for Social Development at the Alvarado Lagoon System (ALS) Ramsar Site, Veracruz, Mexico (Mexico) ITTO Budget: \$482,391.00
PD 756/14 Rev.1 (M)	Development of a Business Management Services Program for Forest MSMEs (Micro, Small And Medium Enterprises) in Guatemala (Guatemala) ITTO Budget: \$149,341.00
PD 764/14 Rev.1 (F)	Enabling Customary Landowners to Participate Effectively in Community Forest Management Schemes Within 6 Pilot Areas of PNG (Papua New Guinea) ITTO Budget: \$663,829.00

- (ii) To reinstate the approved status of the following project as of the date of adoption of the report of the Forty-eighth Session of the CEM-CFI and that funding be made available for its implementation;

PD 608/11 Rev.2 (I) Life Cycle Assessment-Based Initiative for Carbon Foot Print Reduction and Improved Utilization of Tropical Timber Products from Malaysia

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

- (iv) 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 2014 for the immediate implementation
of the Projects, Pre-Projects and Activities**

(i) Approved during the 2014 project cycles:	
PD 725/13 Rev.2 (F) Rehabilitation of Degraded Forest Land in the Ahua Forest Reserve by the Women Members of Association Malebi in Compensation for the Forest Resources Removed to Meet the Need for Fuel Wood (Charcoal and Fire Wood) (Cote d'Ivoire)	\$149,408.00
PD 740/14 Rev.2 (F) Sustainable forest management through REDD+ mechanisms in Kampong Thom Province (Cambodia)	\$484,792.00
PD 756/14 Rev.1 (M) Development of a Business Management Services Program for Forest MSMEs (Micro, Small And Medium Enterprises) in Guatemala (Guatemala)	\$149,341.00
(ii) Approved in the earlier project cycles or through Council Decisions:	
PD 724/13 Rev.1 (F) Guidelines for the Management of Tara (<i>Caesalpinia spinosa</i>) Plantations with a View to the Rehabilitation of Waste Lands in the Sub-humid Tropics of the Coastal Region of Peru (Peru)	\$149,632.00
PD 646/12 Rev.3 (F) Initiating The Conservation Of Cempaka Tree Species (<i>Elmerrillia</i> spp.) Through Plantation Development With Local Community Participation In North Sulawesi, Indonesia (Indonesia)	\$435,187.20
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 - Additional funding	\$220,751.00
PD 452/07 Rev.5 (F) Sustainable Management of Production Forests at the Commercial Scale in the Brazilian Amazon – Phase II (Brazil)	\$656,630.00
PD 124/01 Rev.4 (M) Phase III Stage 3 Promotion of Sustainable Management of African Forests (ATO/ITTO)	\$100,000.00
PD 563/09 Rev.5 (F) Community Based Forest Management of Sungai Medihit Watershed (Malaysia)	\$460,000.00
PD 73/89 (M,F,I) Assistance for Project Identification and Formulation (Global) – Additional funding	\$22,755.00
PP-A/30-102B Major Groups on Sustainable Forest Management – Additional funding	\$675,460.00

PP-A/43-211 Staff Secondment to UNFF – Additional funding	\$30,000.00
 (iii) Activities approved in the Biennial Work Programme for the Years 2013-2014 or 2015-2016 (see <i>Decision 2 (L) for the full title of the Activities</i>):	
PP-A/50-297 ITTO Guidelines on Gender Equity (ITTO Biennial Work Programme 2015-2016 Activity: 2)	\$10,000.00
PP-A/49-292 Publish ITTO Voluntary Guidelines (ITTO Biennial Work Programme 2015-2016 Activity: 4 (a))	\$100,000.00
PP-A/48-274 International C&I Meetings (ITTO Biennial Work Programme 2015-2016 Activity: 6 (b))	\$10,000.00
PP-A/39-162A ITTO CITES Programme Additional funding for Year 2014 (ITTO Biennial Work Programme 2013-2014 Activity: 8)	\$1,621,442.92
Additional funding for Year 2014 (ITTO Biennial Work Programme 2015-2016 Activity: 8)	\$330,000.00
PP-A/50-298 Mangrove Forests and Ecosystems Workshop (ITTO Biennial Work Programme 2015-2016 Activity: 10)	\$50,000.00
PP-A/50-299 Study on Carbon Removals and Emissions (ITTO Biennial Work Programme 2015-2016 Activity: 12 (b))	\$70,000.00 (including indicative figure for amount pledged in JPY 3 mil.)
PP-A/50-300 UNISDR, GWFN, GFMC, International Wildland Fire Conference in South Korea, 2015 (ITTO Biennial Work Programme 2015-2016 Activity: 14 (b))	\$60,000.00
PP-A/50-301 Outreach Activities – ENB coverage (ITTO Biennial Work Programme 2015-2016 Activity: 19 (c))	\$30,000.00
PP-A/50-302 Improve branding, positioning and marketing of ITTO (ITTO Biennial Work Programme 2015-2016 Activity: 20)	\$50,000.00
PP-A/50-303 Web-based interactive profiles of the wood based industry, trade and forestry sectors (ITTO Biennial Work Programme 2015-2016 Activity: 23)	\$100,000.00
PP-A/50-304 TAG & CSAG (ITTO Biennial Work Programme 2015-2016 Activity: 26)	\$50,000.00
PP-A/50-305 Involvement in CPF (ITTO Biennial Work Programme 2015-2016 Activity: 27)	\$25,000.00
Freezailah Fellowship Fund Balance of Budget Year 2014 (ITTO Biennial Work Programme 2013-2014 Activity: 30)	\$132,094.00
Budget Year 2015 (partial) (ITTO Biennial Work Programme 2015-2016 Activity: 28)	\$300,000.00
PP-A/50-306 Assistance to member countries to strengthen their statistics collection and enhance reporting (ITTO Biennial Work Programme 2015-2016 Activity: 29)	\$25,000.00

PP-A/50-307 Latin American Seminar on Forestry Extension Services (ITTO Biennial Work Programme 2015-2016 Activity: 32)	\$100,000.00
PP-A/50-308 ITTO and World Customs Organization (ITTO Biennial Work Programme 2015-2016 Activity: 33)	\$222,207.95
PP-A/50-309 Survey to Assess ITTO Guidelines (ITTO Biennial Work Programme 2015-2016 Activity: 50)	\$50,000.00
PP-A/50-310 Study on Regional ITTO Presence (ITTO Biennial Work Programme 2015-2016 Activity: 51)	\$25,000.00

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

PP-A/ 44-239 Trade and Market Transparency (TMT) Decision 10(XLIV) - Additional Funding:	\$100,000.00
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(v) Activity approved through Decision 6(XLVI):

PP-A/ 50-296 Building the Capacities for Biodiversity Conservation in Trans-boundary Conservation Areas (TBCAs) in the Congo Basin Countries through SFM Practices and the Use of Satellite and Radar Imagery (Phase 1)	\$1,280,619.00
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(vi) Activity recommended by the Committee on Finance and Administration:

PP-A/ 50-311 Ensure the Smooth Transition of the Organization [Document CFA(XXIX/9)]	\$40,000.00
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Note 1: Total pledges during 2014 amount to US\$8,315,320.07 (including the indicative figure of \$27,535.00 converted for JPY 3,000,000).

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.

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