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ANNOTATIONS TO THE PROVISIONAL AGENDA

Item 1 - Opening of the Session

The Forty-ninth Session of the Committees will be conducted jointly and co-chaired by Dr. Teguh Raharjo (Indonesia), Chairperson of the Committee on Economics, Statistics and Markets (CEM) and Mr. Miguel R. Mendieta (Honduras), Chairperson of the Committee on Forest Industry (CFI).

Item 2 - Adoption of Agenda and Organization of Work

[Document CEM-CFI(XLIX)/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-49 and ITTC/EP-50]

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-ninth and Fiftieth Expert Panels, including the general observations are contained in documents ITTC/EP-49 and ITTC/EP-50.

Item 5 - New Projects and Pre-Projects

[Documents ITTC/EP-49 and ITTC/EP-50]

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-ninth Meeting held in Yokohama, Japan on 2-5 February 2015, as contained in Document ITTC/EP-49.

Forty-ninth Expert Panel

Category 1:

Committee on Economics, Statistics and Markets		
PD/PPD NUMBER	TITLE	SUBMITTING COUNTRY
PD 732/14 Rev.2 (M)	Improve Forest Governance in Mozambique	Mozambique

Committee on Forest Industry		
PD/PPD NUMBER	TITLE	SUBMITTING COUNTRY
PD 770/15 Rev.1 (I)	Promotion and Sustainable Management of Lesser-Used Timber Species (LUTS) in the Moist Forests of the Departments of Atlantida, Colon and Northern Olancho in Honduras	Honduras

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(XLIII), following the recommendations of the Expert Panel for the Technical Appraisal of

Project Proposals at its Fiftieth Meeting held in Yokohama, Japan on 27-31 July 2015 as contained in Document ITTC/EP 50.

Fiftieth Expert Panel

Category 1:

Committee on Economics, Statistics and Markets		
PD/PPD NUMBER	TITLE	SUBMITTING COUNTRY
PD 751/15 Rev.2 (M)	Sustainable Forest Management in the Chimbo River Basin, Ecuador: Conserving Forest Resources and Agroforestry Systems as a Mechanism to Strengthen the Economic Inclusion of Community Families, Particularly Rural Women, Settled in the Area	Ecuador

Committee on Forest Industry		
PD/PPD NUMBER	TITLE	SUBMITTING COUNTRY
PD 771/15 Rev.2 (I)	Genetic Conservation, Utilization and Management of Gall Rust Resistant Strains of <i>Falcataria moluccana</i> Growing in the Philippines	Philippines

Category 4:

Committee on Economics, Statistics and Markets		
PD/PPD NUMBER	TITLE	SUBMITTING COUNTRY
PD 793/15 (M)	Expanding Responsible Forest Management and Trade in the Ecuadorian Amazon Region as a Strategy to Promote Social and Economic Growth and Reduce Tropical Forest Degradation and Deforestation	Ecuador
PD 801/15 (M)	Building the Capacity for Forest Law Enforcement and Local Governance in the Industrial and Commercial Use of Wood and Timber in the Segou Region, Mali	Mali
PD 803/15 (M)	Forest Research Strengthening through the Consolidation and Implementation of the National Research Programme in Guatemala	Guatemala
PD 804/15 (M)	Processing and Marketing of Timber from Secondary Species in Remaining Forests Outside Protected Areas in Peten as a Strategy to Reduce the Pressure on Endangered CITES-listed Forest Species	Guatemala
PD 806/15 (M)	Building the Capacity to Elicit Further Funding for the Sustainable Management of Forest and Wildlife Resources in Cameroon	Cameroon

Committee on Forest Industry		
PD/PPD NUMBER	TITLE	SUBMITTING COUNTRY
PD 805/15 (I)	Market Survey and Wood Technological Characterization for Balsawood (<i>Ochroma Pyramidale Cav.</i>) in the Lacandon Forest, Chiapas, Mexico	Mexico

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 - 2015

This item will be taken up in the joint session of the Committees. The theme of the ITTO Annual Market Discussion - 2015 as proposed by the Trade Advisory Group (T-A-G) and endorsed at the Forty-eighth Session of the Committees is "Raising the Profile of Tropical Timber in the Market Place". An information note detailing the schedule and speakers for the ITTO Annual Market Discussion - 2015 will be circulated during the session.

Item 7 - Ex-post Evaluation

[Document CEM-CFI(XLIX)/2]

(A) Ex-post Evaluation Reports

Committee on Economics, Statistics and Markets

The Committees may recall that no project was selected for ex-post evaluation during the Forty-eighth Session.

Committee on Forest Industry

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

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
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The Committees may consider the executive summary of the report of the ex-post evaluation as contained in document CEM-CFI(XLIX)/2.

(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). The Secretariat will also introduce a proposal to establish guidelines for more effective utilization of the funds available for evaluation of projects in the pooled accounts established under Decision 3(XXVIII).

Item 8 - 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-eighth Session held discussions and agreed to continue to work in the Forty-ninth Session on the following policy-related matters under the Committee on Economics, Statistics and Markets:

- Market Access;
- Forest and Timber Certification;
- Selected Data and Analysis from Elements for the ITTO Biennial Review and Assessment of the World Timber Situation; and
- Independent Market Monitoring of FLEGT-licensed Timber.

Committee on Forest Industry

The Committees at the Forty-eighth Session held discussions and agreed to continue to work in the Forty-ninth Session on the following policy-related matters under the Committee on Forest Industry:

- Development of Environmental Product Declarations (EPD) for Tropical Wood Products; and
- Improving Market Perceptions of Tropical Timber.

Item 9 - Review of Projects and Pre-projects in Progress

[Document CEM-CFI(XLIX)/3]

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(XLIX)/3 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(XLIX)/3 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(XLIX)/3. The report covers the following:

(A) Projects and Pre-projects under implementation

Committee on Economics, Statistics and Markets

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| 1. | PD 124/01 Rev.4 (M)
Phase III Stage 2 | Promotion of Sustainable Management of African Forests (Africa) |
| 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. PD 756/14 Rev.1 (M) Development of a Business Management Services Program of Forest MSMEs (Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises) in Guatemala
9. 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) Development of Marketing Chains for *Eucalyptus citriodora* Essential Oils 'A Non-timber Forest Product with High Added Value' by Village Communities in the 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 700/13 Rev.2 (I) Development of Intra-African Trade and Further Processing in Tropical Timber and Timber Products - Phase I Stage 1
10. 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 financing

Committee on Economics, Statistics and Markets

1. PD 124/01 Rev.4 (M) Promotion of Sustainable Management of African Forests (Africa)
Phase III Stage 3
2. PD 732/14 Rev.2 (M) Improve Forest Governance in Mozambique
3. PD 746/14 Rev.2 (M) Strengthening the Production, Marketing and Conservation of Pinabete in Guatemala

Committee on Forest Industry

1. 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
2. PD 700/13 Rev.2 (I) Development of Intra-African Trade and Further Processing of Tropical Timber and Timber Products – Phase I Stage 2 (ITTO)

3. 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)
4. PD 719/13 Rev.2 (I) Competitiveness and Business Strengthening for a Carpenter Group in Region VII (Huehuetenango-Quiché), Guatemala
5. PD 720/13 Rev.3 (I) Strengthening of Two Community Associations to Improve the Forest Industry in the Department of Huehuetenango, Guatemala
6. 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
7. PD 770/15 Rev.1 (I) Promotion and Sustainable Management of Lesser-Used Timber Species (LUTS) in the Moist Forests of the Departments of Atlantida, Colon and Northern Olancho in Honduras

Item 10 - 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 11 - Dates and Venues of the Fiftieth and Fifty-first Sessions of the Committees

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

Item 12 - Other Business

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

Item 13 - 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 14 - 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 Fifty-first Session of the Council for consideration and adoption.

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