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DECISION 1(LI)

PROJECTS, PRE-PROJECTS AND ACTIVITIES

The International Tropical Timber Council,

Having considered at its Fifty-first Session the recommendations of the three Committees on Projects, Pre-Projects and Activities, as contained in documents CEM-CFI(XLIX)/4 and CRF(XLIX)/15; and the report of the Twenty-first Meeting of the Panel on Sub-Account B of the Bali Partnership Fund as contained in document ITTC(LI)/15;

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 2015;

Also noting that sound and prudent management of funds by the Secretariat is indispensable to successful implementation of projects;

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 2015:

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| PPD 178/14 Rev.2 (F) | Support to the Creation of Green Belts around the Waza, Benoué, Faro and Bouba Ndjidda National Parks (Cameroon)
ITTO Budget \$86,240.00 |
| PD 732/14 Rev.2 (M) | Improve Forest Governance in Mozambique (Mozambique)
ITTO Budget \$321,138.00 |
| PD 748/14 Rev.3 (F) | Building capacities and meaningful stakeholder participation in forest governance, to contribute toward sustainable forest management and improved livelihoods of forest dependent communities in Honduras and Guatemala (Honduras / Guatemala)
ITTO Budget \$587,961.00 |
| PD 754/14 Rev.2 (F) | Rehabilitation and Sustainable Management of Sacred Forests on Ramsar Sites 1017 and 1018 in Benin (Benin)
ITTO Budget \$591,618.00 |
| PD 762/14 Rev.2 (F) | Developing and Implementing Improved Management Practices that Maintain and Enhance Forests and Biodiversity Protection, to Support SFM within the Context of Multiple Use in Guyana's Forest Dependent Communities (Guyana)
ITTO Budget \$601,552.00 |
| PD 765/14 Rev.2 (F) | Development of a Forest Landscape Restoration Program for Guatemala Based on ITTO Guidelines (Guatemala)
ITTO Budget \$601,994.00 |

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) ITTO Budget \$196,224.00
PD 772/15 Rev.1 (F)	Improved Application of Growth and Yield Models to Forest Management Planning in the Amazon Basin (Brazil) ITTO Budget \$143,920.00
PD 773/15 Rev.1 (F)	Restoration and Maintenance of Environmental Services in Moist Tropical Pasture Lands - Criteria and Techniques for the Introduction and Use of Native Trees (Mexico) ITTO Budget \$151,200.00
PD 778/15 Rev.1 (F)	Sustainable Forest Management, Conservation of Biological Diversity and Promotion of Landscapes for Socio-Ecologic Production in Indigenous Territories of the Uwalcox Micro-Watershed in Guatemala's Western Altiplano (Guatemala) ITTO Budget \$699,581.00
PD 700/13 Rev.2 (I) Phase I Stage 1 Stage 2	Development of Intra-African Trade and Further Processing in Tropical Timber and Timber Products - Phase I Stage 1 & Stage 2 (ITTO) ITTO Budget Stage 1 \$1,399,989.00 Stage 2 \$3,759,256.00
PD 723/13 Rev.2 (F) Phase I Phase II	Capacity Building for Strengthening Transboundary Biodiversity Conservation of the Taninthayi Range in Myanmar (Myanmar) ITTO Budget Phase I \$599,962.00 Phase II \$1,339,083.00
(b) Autumn project cycle for 2015:	
PPD 182/15 Rev.1 (F)	Supporting Protected Area Communities in Afram Plains to Engage in Integrated Management of Economic Timber Species in Community Lands (Ghana) ITTO Budget \$79,072.00
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) ITTO Budget \$1,248,913.00
PD 774/15 Rev.2 (F)	Implementation of the Forest Management Plan of the Chepigana Forest Reserve, Choco-Darién Eco-Region, as a Conservation and Sustainable Development Alternative for a Protected Area (Panama) ITTO Budget \$655,213.44
PD 775/15 Rev.2 (F)	Management and Restoration of the Forest Landscape in San Marcos, Guatemala and Chiapas, Mexico (Guatemala and Mexico) ITTO Budget \$899,461.00
PD 777/15 Rev.2 (F)	Accelerating the Restoration of Cibodas Biosphere Reserve Functions through Proper Management of Landscapes Involving Local Stakeholders (Indonesia) ITTO Budget \$564,491.00
PD 785/15 Rev.1 (F)	Phytosanitary Management of Commercial Forest Plantations in the Moist Tropics (Mexico) ITTO Budget \$1,497,321.61
PD 794/15 Rev.1 (F)	Conservation and Sustainable Use of Mangrove Forest Resources in the Province of El Oro, Southern Ecuador (Ecuador) ITTO Budget \$724,391.00
PD 124/01 Rev.5 (M) Phase III Stage 3	Promotion of Sustainable Management of African Forests (ITTO) [Budget revised at Autumn 2015 cycle] ITTO Budget \$673,325.00

PD 554/09 Rev.4 (F) Pilot Sustainable Management Systems for Secondary Forests in the Collective Afro-Descendant Community Territory of the Bajo Calima Community Council, Municipality of Buenaventura, Colombia (Colombia)
[Revised at Autumn 2015 cycle - no change to budget]
ITTO Budget \$529,034.00

- (ii) Authorize the financing for immediate implementation of the Projects, Pre-projects and Activities as listed in Annex 1 to this Decision; and
 - (iii) Authorize the financing for immediate implementation of the Projects, Pre-projects and Activities as listed in 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;
 5. Requests the Executive Director to continue consultations with potential donors and in order to secure financing for those Projects, Pre-projects and Activities for which funds are not immediately available; and
 6. Requests the Executive Director to carry out necessary corrective measures promptly, pursuant to Decision 4(LI), to minimize possible impacts on the funding of projects.

ANNEX 1

**Financing during 2015 for the immediate implementation
of Projects, Pre-projects and Activities**

(i)	Approved during the 2015 project cycles:	
	PD 700/13 Rev.2 (I) Development of Intra-African Trade and Further Processing in Tropical Timber and Timber Products - Phase I Stage 1	\$1,399,989.00
(ii)	Activities approved in the Biennial Work Programme for the Years 2015-2016 (see Decision 2(L) for the full title of the Activities):	
	PP-A/48-274 International C&I Meetings: 2016 (ITTO Biennial Work Programme 2015-2016 Activity: 6(b))	\$40,000.00
	PP-A/39-162A ITTO CITES Programme Additional funding for Year 2015 (ITTO Biennial Work Programme 2015-2016 Activity: 8)	\$1, 570,468.10
	PP-A/50-301 Outreach activities – ENB coverage at ITTC (ITTO Biennial Work Programme 2015-2016 Activity: 19(c))	\$5,000.00
	PP-A/50-304 CSAG – TAG assistance to ITTC: 2016 (ITTO Biennial Work Programme 2015-2016 Activity: 26)	\$30,000.00
	PP-A/50-305 Involvement in CPF (ITTO Biennial Work Programme 2015-2016 Activity: 27)	\$25,000.00
	PD 99/99 (M,F,I) ITTO Freezailah Fellowship Programme: 2016 (ITTO Biennial Work Programme 2015-2016 Activity: 28)	\$235,000.00
(iii)	Activity approved through Decision 4(LI):	
	PP-A/51-313 ITTO Investments and Financial Management	\$250,000.00

Note: Total financing during 2015 amounts to US\$3,695,457.10. This total includes partial funding of \$100,000 for PD 765/14 Rev.2 (F) and \$40,000 for PD 723/13 Rev.2 (F) Phase I. These projects, which are included in Annex 2, will commence when additional funds are pledged by other donors to allow implementation to begin.

ANNEX 2

Projects and Pre-projects Approved During 2015 Pending Full or Partial Financing

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