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REPORT OF THE ITTO FELLOWSHIP SELECTION PANEL

(Item 19 of the Provisional Agenda)

1. Fellowship selection for 2015 was conducted electronically. However, the Panel met once during the Fifty-first Session of the ITTC to finalize the selection of successful applicants for the Autumn 2015 Cycle. The Selection Panel was composed of:

Chairperson: Ms. Jennifer Conje (Vice-Chairperson, ITTC)

Producers: Mr. A. Orpheé Lokossou (Benin)
Mr. Daniel Segura (Ecuador)
Mr. James Singh (Guyana)

Consumers: Ms. Laura de Pundert (Netherlands)
Ms. Anna Tyler (New Zealand)
Mr. Luke D. Thompson (USA)

And supported by:

Secretariat: Mr. E. Collins Ahadome
Ms. Kumiko Tanaka

2. The Selection Panel considered a total of 52 applications made up of 24 applications from Africa, 14 from Asia/Pacific, 12 from Latin America and Caribbean region and 2 from Europe. Four percent of the applications were in the field of Economic Information and Market Intelligence (EIMI); 8% in the field of Forest Industry (FI) and 88% in the field of Reforestation and Forest Management (RFM). Thirty five percent of the applications were submitted by female applicants.

While reviewing these 52 applications, the Panel used the following selection criteria:

- (i) Consistency of the proposed activities with the ITTO fellowship programme's objective and priority areas;
- (ii) Qualifications of the applicants to undertake the proposed fellowship activities;
- (iii) Applications and benefits of the skills and knowledge to be acquired or advanced under the fellowship activities; and
- (iv) Reasonableness of costs in relation to the proposed activities.

The Panel took into account the balance among the three subject areas and regions as well as the opportunity to promote the participation of women. The Panel also took into account the Strategic Action Plan in its selection Process. The Panel recommends to the Council to award 18 fellowships, subject to the availability of funds at a total cost of US\$100,000. Women account for 56% of the recommended applicants. Thirty three percent of the recommended applicants are from Africa, 33% from Asia/Pacific, 28% from Latin America and Caribbean region and 6% from a consumer country for a project in Latin America. The recommended applicants are listed in the Appendix to this report. Also attached is the Fellowship Awardees for the Spring Cycle of 2015.

3. The Selection Panel pointed out a necessity to be clear especially on issues such as DSA, book expenses etc. in the criteria guidelines for evaluating candidates. They agreed that budgets exceeding the guidelines should be clearly noted and justified by the evaluator. The selection panel noted the need for the secretariat to assess applications with more rigor at the phase of pre-selection before sending pre-selected applications to Selection Panel Members.
4. The Chairperson of the Panel thanked the outgoing Panel members for their excellent and hard work on selection process.

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**LIST OF APPROVED FELLOWSHIPS
(Report of the Fellowship Selection Panel)**

Autumn 2015 Fellowship Cycle

App. No	Name	Nationality	Subject
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COMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC INFORMATION AND MARKET INTELLIGENCE

056/15A	Fatima, Tanzeem	India	Short Training Course of Molecular genetic market development in the Department of Forest Genetics and Forest Tree Breeding at George August University in Gottingen, Germany
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COMMITTEE ON FOREST INDUSTRY

012/15A	Simo Tagne, Merlin	Cameroon	Short Training Internship on modeling, Simulation and Digital Construction of Solar Dryers of Wood at Ecole National Supérieure des Technologies et Industries du Bois in Epinal, France
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COMMITTEE ON REFORESTATION AND FOREST MANAGEMENT

072/15A	Deguenon, Marguerite	Benin	Technical Document Preparation on the Inventory and georeferencing of priority plant species of high value in forest managed by the National Forest of Office of Benin
064/15A	Che, Nchang	Cameroon	Short Training Course on Environment and Geo-information Science (Remote Sensing and GIS) in Pan African Institute for Development-West Africa, Buea, Cameroon
074/15A	Kalombo, Marie Flavie	Congo,Rep.	Ph.D. Research on Understanding Pathways for strengthening socio-ecological resilience of reforestation in the Congo basin
054/15A	Adams, Marshall Alhassan	Ghana	Technical Training on Forest and Wildlife Crimes at the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) Forest Service International Programs with focus on Forest Service and the US Department of Justice, Environmental Crime Section and National Task Force on Forest and Wildlife Crimes
020/15A	Tchamdja, Abalo Essoyodina	Togo	Master in Natural Resource Management and Sustainable Development at Cheikh Anta Diop University in Senegal

008/15A	Rozak, Andes Hamuraby	Indonesia	Ph.D Field Research on "Towards better estimates of carbon pools in logged-over Dipterocarp forests" in Berau, Borneo, Indonesia
041/15A	Lwin, Phyu Phyu	Myanmar	Ph.D Field Research for suporting doctoral program of "Laboratory of Forest Resources and Society in the Division of Forest and Biomaterials Science" in Myanmar
066/15A	Soe, Khaing Thandar	Myanmar	Post-Graduate Degree Program on Modeling drivers of deforestation and forest degradation in Myanmar
046/15A	Carig, Elizabeth	Philippines	Short Training Course on Governance of landscapes, forests and people in Indonesia
006/15A	Dao, Hoa Hong Thi	Viet Nam	Ph.D program at Faculty of Forest Sciences and Forest Ecology in Georg- August University, Göttingen, Germany
025/15A	Chacón, Eduardo José	Costa Rica	Technical Document Publication of the book "The seedings of trees and palms of the Osa Peninsula"
052/15A	Olea Resendiz, Maria de Jesus	Mexico	Master Degree of Agricultural Scienece and Local Management at the Autunomous University of Guerrero in Mexico.
080/15A	Payán Cázares, Efraín	Mexico	Short training Course on XVII International Course on the Economic Bases for the Management and Assessment of Environmenal Services at CATIE in Costa Rica
009 /15A	Requena Suarez, Daniela Katherine	Peru	Post-Graduate Degree Program on MSc in Biodiversity, Conservation and Management at the University of Oxford in U.K.
022/15A	Laurente Cajacuri, Miguel Ángel	Peru	"XVII International Course on the Economic Bases for the Management and Assessment of Environmenal Services" at CATIE in Costa Rica
036/15A	Bennett-Curry, Aoife	Ireland	Ph.D Research on assessing the viability of a farmer association model of governance for forest rights and forest management for smallholder farmers in the Peruvian Amazon

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COMMITTEE ON FOREST INDUSTRY

062/15S	Samsudin, Yusuf Bahtimi	Indonesia	Master's Thesis on "Bridging the Policy Gap Between National, Provincial and Local Industrial Forest Plantation on Development in East Kalimantan, Indonesia" at Michigan State University in East Lansing, U.S.A.
036/15S	Muñoz Chamba, Luis Fernando	Ecuador	XXVII International Intensive Course on "Diversified Mangement of Tropical Natural Forests : The Management and the Challenges of Climate Change" at CATIE in Turrialba, Costa Rica

COMMITTEE ON REFORESTATION AND FOREST MANAGEMENT

003/15S	Tandoh, Pau Kweku	Ghana	Master's Program in "Seed Scienece and Technology" at the Kwame Nkrumah University of Scienece and Technology in Kumasi, Ghana
002/15S	Nkwa, Nkembeteck Henry	Cameroon	Short Training Course on "Applcation of Remote Sensing(RS), Geographic Information System(GIS) and Global Positioning System(GPS) in the Management of Natural Resources" at Regional Center for Mapping of Ressources for Development in Nairobi, Kenya
081/15S	Kiki, Paul	Benin	Master's Thesis on "Contribution of Sacred Forest to Conservation Policy of Biodiversity and Timber Supply" at the University of Abomey-Calavi in Cotonou, Benin
091/15S	Dossa, Léonce	Benin	Ph.D research on "State of Biodiversity and Prospects for Sustainable Management of the Forest Reserve of Pénéssoulou (North Benin) " at the University of Abomey-Calavi in Cotonou, Benin
039/15S	Mukete, Ongie Rose	Cameroon	International Course in "Adaptive Management of Natural Resources" in Kumasi, Ghana organized by Center for Development innovation, Wageningen UR in the Netherlands
126/15S	Tiesse, Bi Cyrille	Côte d'Ivoire	Ph.D Research on "Contribution of Remote Sensing and GIS for Spatial-Temporal Monitoring of Land Use and Net Erosion in the Mountainous Region of Tonkpi(Man,

			Côte d'Ivoire) " at Institut National Polytechnique in Yamoussoukro, Côte d'Ivoire
005/15S	Kyei, Evans Obeng	Ghana	Master's programme in Geo-informatopm Science for Natural Resource Management at University of Twente in Enshende, Netherlands in collaboration with the Kwame Nkrumah University of Science and Technology in Kumasi, Ghana
055/15S	Akoto, Dorothy Asare	Ghana	Master's Program in Tropical Forestry and Management at Dresden University of Technology in Dresden, Germany
064/15S	Gyamfi, Philemon	Ghana	Master's Research on "Mycorrhizal Associations: Benefits to Growth of Plants of Economic importance in the Kogyae Strict Nature Reserve of Ashanti Region in Kwame, Ghana" at Nkrumah Univeristy of Science and Technology in Kumasi, Ghana
166/15S	Opoku, Esther Mensah	Ghana	Master's Program in Silviculture and Forest Management at Kwame Nkrumah University Science and Technology in Kumasi, Ghana
101/15S	Mucudos, Clerica Lisangela	Mozambique	Master's Program in Tropical Forestry at Dresden University of Technology in Tharandt, Germany
012/15S	Zimari, Essofa	Togo	Post-Graduate Program on Cycle of Controllers of Water and Forest at ENEF in Bobo Dioulasso, Burkina Faso
049/15S	Shiny, K.S	India	International Conference on Wood Science and Engineering (ICWSE 2015) in London, U.K and a Short Term Internship at Bio Composite Center, Bangor Univeristy in North Wales, U.K.
068/15S	Thakurta, Bhaswati Na	India	XIV World Forestry Congress 2015 in Durban, South Africa
121/15S	Nani, Sunya	India	43 rd International Forestry Students' Symposium at the University of the Philippines Los Banos in Los Banos, Philippines
151/15S	Dubey, Pranjali	India	43 rd International Forestry Students' Symposium at the University of the Philippines Los Banos in Los Banos, Philippines
034/15S	Anwar, Andi Sylviah Fitrahwati	Indonesia	43 rd International Forestry Students' Symposium at the University of the Philippines Los Banos in Los Banos, Philippines
072/15S	Bol, Ei Thandar	Myanmar	Ph.D Program of the Graduate School of Agriculture at Kyoto University in Kyoto, Japan

073/15S	Win, San	Myanmar	Ph.D Program in Environmental Technology at King Mongkut's University of Technology Thonburi in Bangkok, Thailand
020/15S	Vaz Rodrigues, Gabriela	Brazil	Ph.D Programme in Geographical Sciences at the University of Maryland in Maryland, U.S.A
075/15S	Alves-da-Silva, Dolce	Brazil	International Course on "Plant Genetic Resources and Seeds: Policies, Conservation and Use" at Center for Development Innovation in Wageningen UR in Wageningen, the Netherlands
044/15S	Alcazar Caicedo, Carolina	Colombia	Technical Guide Book on "Prolongation Protocols for Potential Forest Species for Restoration Processes of Tropical Dry Forest in Colombia" at Biodiversity International in Cali, Colombia
147/15S	Campo Kurmen	Costa Rica	Master's Program in Management and Conservation of Tropical Forests and Biodiversity at CATIE in Turrialba, Costa Rica
129/15S	Martinez Guevara	Mexico	Master's Programme in Management of Protected Areas and Ecoregional Development at the University for International Cooperation (UCI) in San Jose, Costa Rica
140/15S	Espinosa Pena,	Panama	Ph.D Research on "Models of Traditional Territorial Governance in the Darien Region and its Contribution to the Preservation of Mature Tropical Forest" at the University of Panama in panama City, Panama
134/15S	Benavides Chavez	Peru	Advanced Diploma Program in Screen and Media-Screenwriting, Directing & Producing at International Film School in Sydney, Australia

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