



# **Progress Report on the Implementation of the Biennial Work Programme 2015-2016**

extended into 2017, Decision 2(LII)

Item 10(a)(i) of the Provisional Agenda  
Document ITTC(LIII)/5



53<sup>rd</sup> Session of the International Tropical Timber Council (ITTC)  
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# BWP 2015-2016

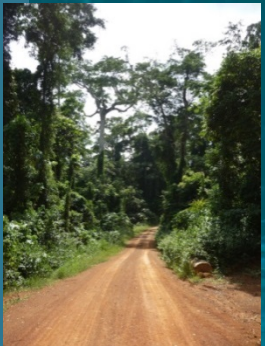
## 51 activities

- 30 activities seeking voluntary contributions
- 6 activities funded from core operational costs  
(TFU; Annual Market Discussion with TAG; Market Information Service MIS; Statistics; PR & Outreach; Expert Panel)
- 15 routine, administrative and financial activities carried out during ITTC 51 by Council, Joint Committees or CFA (*regular sessions work, no cost implications*)





## **Progress in 2017**



# BWP implementation in 2017



## Strategic Priority 1

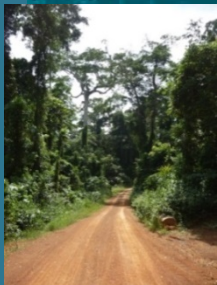
- Activity 2, the draft report on 'ITTO Policy Guidelines on **Gender** Equality and Empowering Women', GEEW will be presented to Council under Item 10(a)(iii) of the Provisional Agenda, [Document(LIII)/6]
- Under Activity 4a the 2<sup>nd</sup> **regional workshop on the ITTO Voluntary Guidelines** for the Sustainable Management of Natural Tropical Forest was held in Cotonou, Benin from 8-13 May 2017. The report will be presented to the 51<sup>st</sup> CRF
- Under Activity 6b ITTO participated in the first **FRA 2020 planning meeting in Joensuu, Finland in June 2017** and a **CFRQ planning meeting in Nelson, New Zealand in November 2017**

## Strategic Priority 2

- Under Activity 8, the final progress report of the **ITTO-CITES** program will be presented under Provisional Agenda Item 11 [Document ITTC(LIII)/4]

## Strategic Priority 3

- Under Activity 10, the International **Conference on Sustainable Mangrove Ecosystems**: Making a vital resource for achieving the SDGs and the Paris Agreement was held in Bali, Indonesia, 18-21 April 2017.



# BWP implementation in 2017 (cont.)



## Strategic Priority 4: *Reported at 51<sup>st</sup> ITTC*

- Activity 12b: Report on *study on carbon removals and emissions associated with production and use of harvested tropical wood products to 49<sup>th</sup> CRF*
- Activity 14b: *ITTO support to the 6<sup>th</sup> International Wildland Fire Conference, Pyeongchang, Korea 12-16 Oct 2015. Special TFU edition published*



# BWP Implementation in 2017 (cont.)

## Strategic Priority 5: (mostly core budget funded)

Activity 15: Tropical Forest Update (TFU) – 4 issues in 2017

Activity 16: Annual Market Discussion with TAG

- 53<sup>rd</sup> ITTC on ‘Sharing Experiences on Promoting Investment in Tropical Timber Industries and Tropical Forestry’

Activity 17: Market Information Service (MIS) – 23 issues in 2017

Activity 18: Enhance Statistics

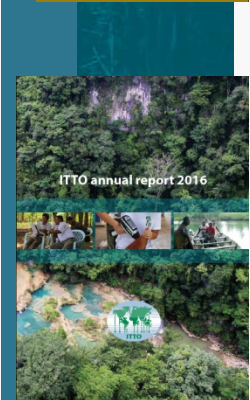
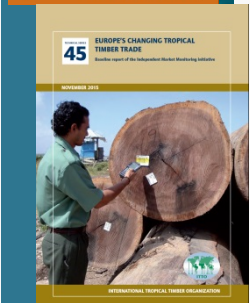
- Inter-Secretariat WG on Forest Statistics, IWGFS, 7-9 Feb. 2017, Rome

Activity 19: Communications & Outreach

- Technical reports, Annual Report 2016, videos, posters, e-Newsletter ‘Tropical Timber News’, TS 46 ‘The Bright Green Hotspot – Outcomes of the Emerald Triangle Protected Forest Complex project, 2000–2016’, will be released at ITTC-53
- *Presentation by Communication & Outreach Officer*

Activity 25: IMM

- Suspended due to impairment of ITTO funding; operations restarted in April 2017, new lead consultant and market analyst appointed, market consultants recruited; 2015-2016 IMM Annual Report published



# BWP implementation (cont.)



## Strategic Priority 6:

- Activity 26: Support *TAG & CSAG* participation at ITTC – continued support provided
- Activity 27: ITTO participation at *CPF and UNFF meetings in 2017*
- Activity 28: Progress report on the implementation of the *Fellowship Programme* (Document ITTC(LIII)/8)
- Activity 29: ITTO was invited and participated at FAO regional WS on forest product statistics, October 2017
- Activity 33: Enhanced cooperation *ITTO-World Customs Organization, WCO*; implemented by TRAFFIC; activity expected to be completed before end of 2017



# BWP implementation (cont.)



## Routine, administrative and financial activities: *Reported at 51<sup>st</sup> ITTC*

- Activity 50: Report on the online survey on **use of ITTO SFM related policy guidelines** to 49<sup>th</sup> CRF
- Activity 51: Report on the study on the pros and cons of **Regional Offices vs Regional Officers**







# BWP Funding

Source	Approved budget	Received 2015/16	Received 2017	Received Total	
Core budget	\$1,797,350	\$1,797,350	\$900,675	\$2,698,025	100%
Voluntary Contributions	\$7,698,159	\$3,866,881	*\$528,293	\$4,395,174	57%
Total	\$9,495,509	\$5,374,831	\$1,428,968	\$7,093,199	

*\*includes a re-allocation of US\$97,486 from PD124/01 Rev.5 (M) Phase III Stage 3 to Activity 8 (ITTO-CITES)*





# Voluntary Funding by Strategic Priority

Strategic Priority	Voluntary Sought	Voluntary Received	%
<b>SP 1:</b> Promote Good Governance and Enabling Policy Frameworks for Strengthening SFM and Related Trade, and Enhancing SFM Financing and Investment	\$1,475,000	\$249,032	16.9
<b>SP 2:</b> Increase the Contribution of Tropical Forests to National and Local Economies, Including through International Trade	\$1,823,659	\$2,176,145	119.3
<b>SP 3:</b> Enhance the Conservation and Sustainable Use of Biodiversity in Tropical Timber Producing Forests	\$940,000	\$250,000	26.6
<b>SP 4:</b> Reduce Tropical Deforestation and Forest Degradation and Enhance the Provision of Environmental Services	\$510,000	\$127,555	25.0
<b>SP 5:</b> Improve the Quality and Availability of Information on Tropical Forests, Forest Product Markets and Trade	\$780,000	\$185,000	23.7
<b>SP 6:</b> Build and Develop Human Resource Capacity to Implement SFM and Increase Trade in Forest Goods and Services from Sustainably Managed Forests	\$2,094,500	\$1,332,442	63.6
Routine, Administrative and Financial Activities	\$75,000	\$75,000	100
TOTAL	\$7,698,159	4,395,174	57.1



# Activities by Strategic Priority

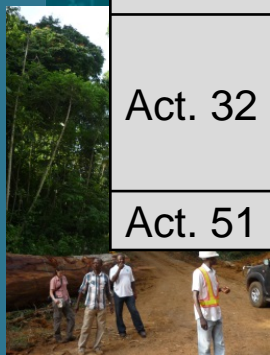
Strategic Priority	Activities	Funding Status		
	Seeking Vol. Cont.	Full	Partial	No
<b>SP 1:</b> Promote Good Governance and Enabling Policy Frameworks for Strengthening SFM and Related Trade, and Enhancing SFM Financing and Investment	6	-	3	3
<b>SP 2:</b> Increase the Contribution of Tropical Forests to National and Local Economies, Including through International Trade	2	1	-	1
<b>SP 3:</b> Enhance the Conservation and Sustainable Use of Biodiversity in Tropical Timber Producing Forests	3	-	1	2
<b>SP 4:</b> Reduce Tropical Deforestation and Forest Degradation and Enhance the Provision of Environmental Services	3	-	2	1
<b>SP 5:</b> Improve the Quality and Availability of Information on Tropical Forests, Forest Product Markets and Trade	6	1	3	2
<b>SP 6:</b> Build and Develop Human Resource Capacity to Implement SFM and Increase Trade in Forest Goods and Services from Sustainably Managed Forests	8	2	4	2
Routine, Administrative and Financial Activities	2	2	-	-
	30 100%	6 20.0%	13 43.3%	11 36.7%



# Impact of Impairment of ITTO Funds

	<b>Activities impacted by the ITTO Impairment of funds</b> <i>(ranging from writing off entire budget to writing off remaining funds)</i>
Act. 4b	Promote the publication, dissemination and application of the <b>ITTO Voluntary Guidelines</b> for the Sustainable Management of Natural Tropical Forests
Act. 10	Promote the conservation, restoration and sustainable management of mangrove ecosystems
Act. 12a	Continue to <b>study the implications of climate change for tropical forests</b> and the contribution of tropical forests to the mitigation of the effects of climate change
Act. 20	Improve <b>branding, positioning and marketing</b> of ITTO
Act. 21	Develop an ITTO <b>knowledge management</b> strategy and knowledge management guidelines (Continuation of BWP 2013-2014 Activity 22)
Act. 26	Consider advice from and facilitate involvement of the <b>Trade Advisory Group (TAG)</b> and the <b>Civil Society Advisory Group (CSAG)</b>
Act. 28	Freezailah <b>Fellowship</b> Fund
Act. 29	Enhance the technical capacity of member countries, particularly developing member countries, <b>to meet the statistics and reporting requirements</b>
Act. 32	<b>Improving forestry extension schemes</b> to ensure the implementation of sustainable forest management and contribute to the conservation of tropical forest ecosystems
Act. 51	Study on <b>regional ITTO presence and representation</b>

*For details see 'Summary Report on the Implementation of Decisions dealing with the Impairment of ITTO Funds' [Document ITTC(LIII)/12]*





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