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DECISION 1(XXXV)

PROJECTS, PRE-PROJECTS AND ACTIVITIES

The International Tropical Timber Council,

Having considered at its Thirty-fifth Session the recommendations of the three Committees on Projects, Pre-Projects and Activities, as contained in documents CEM-CFI(XXXIII)/7, and CRF(XXXIII)/9; and the report of the Fifth Meeting of the Panel on Sub-Account B of the Bali Partnership Fund as contained in document ITTC(XXXV)/18;

1. Decides:

(i) to approve the following Projects:

PD 171/02 Rev.3 (M)	Transparency in Trade Flows and Distribution of Tropical Wood Products in China (China) ITTO Budget: \$280,158.00
PD 194/03 Rev.2 (M)	Expanding and Improving Global Mangrove Database and Information System (GLOMIS) and its Networking (Japan) ITTO Budget: \$484,865.00
PD 221/03 Rev.3 (M) Phase I	A Consumer Awareness Programme to Address Market Failures for Tropical Hardwoods – Phase I ITTO Budget: \$352,850.00
PD 5/00 Rev.4 (F)	Training and Application of ITTO Criteria and Indicators for Sustainable Forest Management at the Forest Management Unit Level in Natural Production Forests of Ecuador (Ecuador) ITTO Budget: \$252,991.00
PD 105/01 Rev.3 (F)	Restoration of Mahogany to World Tropical Timber Trade: Contributions of Genetics, Biodiversity Conservation, Pest Management and Native Species Plantations – Phase I (Ghana) ITTO Budget: \$337,027.00
PD 165/02 Rev.3 (F)	Conservation of Biological Diversity through Sustainable Forest Management Practices (Malaysia) ITTO Budget: \$526,401.00
PD 195/03 Rev.2 (F)	To Establish a National Monitoring Information System for the Effective Conservation and Sustainable Management of Thailand's Forest Resources (Thailand) ITTO Budget: \$677,743.00

PD 197/03 Rev.2 (F)	Support for the Implementation of a Sustainable Forest Development Master Plan in Eco-floristic Area IV, Togo (Togo) ITTO Budget: \$317,093.00
PD 222/03 Rev.1 (F)	Harmonization of Forest Related terms and Definitions (Philippines) ITTO Budget: \$21,200.00
PD 224/03 Rev.1 (F)	Transboundary Biodiversity Conservation: The Pulong Tau National Park, Sarawak State, Malaysia (Malaysia) ITTO Budget: \$740,781.00
PD 225/03 Rev.1 (F)	Adoption and Implementation of an Appropriate System of Criteria and Indicators for the Philippines (Philippines) ITTO Budget: \$520,076.00
PD 239/03 Rev.1 (F)	Development and Installation of a Forest Resources Monitoring System (FORMS) by Utilizing the Forest Canopy Density (FCD) Model Developed in ITTO Project PD 66/99 Rev.1 (F) (Philippines) ITTO Budget: \$347,118.00
PD 240/03 Rev.1 (F)	Alternative Financing Model for Sustainable Forest Management in San Nicolás – Second Phase: Non-Kyoto Rehabilitation Areas (Colombia) ITTO Budget: \$555,429.00
PD 256/03 Rev.1 (F)	Alternative Mixed Plantation Systems and Restoration Strategies for Conservation and Sustainable Production of Native Timber Species in Ghana (Ghana) ITTO Budget: \$301,750.00
PD 131/02 Rev.4 (I)	Training of Forest Practitioners for the Improvement of Forest Industry in Cambodia (Cambodia) ITTO Budget: \$290,842.00
PD 233/03 Rev.2 (I)	Application of Intermediate Technologies for Sustainable Forest Harvesting (Peru) ITTO Budget: \$552,089.00

(ii) to authorize financing for immediate implementation of the following Projects approved at this Session:

PD 194/03 Rev.2 (M)	\$484,865.00
PD 5/00 Rev.4 (F)	\$252,991.00
PD 165/02 Rev.3 (F)	\$526,401.00
PD 195/03 Rev.2 (F)	\$677,743.00
PD 197/03 Rev.2 (F)	\$317,093.00
PD 222/03 Rev.1 (F)	\$21,200.00
PD 224/03 Rev.1 (F)	\$740,781.00
PD 225/03 Rev.1 (F)	\$520,076.00
PD 239/03 Rev.1 (F)	\$347,118.00
PD 240/03 Rev.1 (F)	\$555,429.00
PD 256/03 Rev.1 (F)	\$301,750.00
PD 131/02 Rev.4 (I)	\$290,842.00
PD 233/03 Rev.2 (I)	\$552,089.00

(iii) to authorize the release of additional funds in the amount of \$225,000.00 for the continued implementation of the Freezailah Fellowship Fund;

(iv) to authorize financing for immediate implementation as soon as earmarked funds are available in the Special Account of the following Projects approved at this Session:

PD 171/02 Rev.3 (M)	\$280,158.00
PD 221/03 Rev.3 (M) Phase I	\$352,850.00
PD 105/01 Rev.3 (F)	\$337,027.00

- (v) to authorize financing for immediate implementation of the following Project approved at an earlier Session:

PD 196/03 Rev.1 (M) \$384,265.00

- (vi) to authorize financing for the continued implementation as soon as earmarked funds are available in the Special Account for the following Project approved at an earlier Session:

PD 73/89 (M,F,I) – additional funds \$250,000.00

2. Decides:

- (i) to approve the following Pre-Projects:

PPD 59/02 Rev.2 (F) Pre-Project for the Conservation and Management of Genetic Resources in the Natural Tropical Forests of Ecuador (Phase I) (Ecuador)
ITTO Budget: \$84,305.00

PPD 65/02 Rev.1 (F) Management and Conservation of Forest Seeds (Côte d'Ivoire)
ITTO Budget: \$30,125.00

PPD 84/03 Rev.1 (F) Formulation of a Sustainable Forest Management Project for the Production Forest Area in the Northern and North-Eastern Regions of the Department of Antioquia, Colombia (Colombia)
ITTO Budget: \$56,326.00

PPD 86/03 Rev.1 (F) Promotion of Community-based Commercial Forest Plantations in Tanah Laut, South Kalimantan, Indonesia (Indonesia)
ITTO Budget: \$70,596.00

- (ii) to approve the amendment in the activities of the following Pre-Project which was approved at an earlier Session and authorize financing for immediate implementation as soon as earmarked funds are available in the Special Account:

PPD 61/02 Rev.2 (M) \$62,555.00

- (iii) to authorize financing for immediate implementation of the following Pre-Projects approved at this Session:

PPD 65/02 Rev.1 (F) \$30,125.00

PPD 84/03 Rev.1 (F) \$56,326.00

PPD 86/03 Rev.1 (F) \$70,596.00

- (iv) to authorize the release of additional funds for the continued implementation of the following Activities:

PP-A/23-63: Activity to Facilitate Development of a Joint ITTO/ECE/FAO/EUROSTAT Forest Statistics Questionnaire Phase II – Additional Funds \$55,500.00

PP-A/30-102 The Role of ITTO in International and Regional Organizations and Fora [Decision 7(XXX)] – Additional Funds \$35,000.00

PP-A/31-111: Forest Law Enforcement in the Context of Sustainable Timber Production and Trade [Decision 6(XXXI)] – Additional Funds \$40,000.00

PP-A/32-117: ITTO Guidelines for the Restoration, Management and Rehabilitation of Degraded and Secondary Tropical Forests [Decision 3(XXXII)] – Additional Funds \$70,000.00

- (v) to authorize financing for immediate implementation as soon as earmarked funds are available in the Special Account, of the following Pre-Project approved at this Session:

PPD 59/02 Rev.2 (F) \$84,305.00

3. Decides to authorize financing for immediate implementation of the following Activities from funds obtained through voluntary contributions:

**ITTO Biennial Work Programme for the years 2004-2005
[Decision 4(XXXV)]**

Item 2 (i)

Market study on tropical plantation timber \$150,000.00
[ITTO Yokohama Action Plan, Section 3.1, Goal 1, Action 3]

Item 2 (v)b

Develop and promote the implementation of Guidelines for the management of secondary tropical forests, the restoration of degraded tropical forests and the rehabilitation of degraded forest land
[ITTO Yokohama Action Plan, Section 3.2, Goal 2, Action 3]

Support to the Global Workshop of the Global Partnership on Forest Landscape Restoration \$100,000.00

Item 2 (x)

Promote private investment through facilitating information exchange on investment opportunities
[ITTO Yokohama Action Plan, Section 3.3, Goal 1, Action 1]

Organization/convening of investment promotion forum/seminar \$250,000.00

Item 2 (xi)

Cooperation with FAO on the development and dissemination of guidelines for improving law compliance in the forest sector \$100,000.00
[ITTO Yokohama Action Plan, Section 2, Action I); Section 3.1, Goal 1, Action 3 and Goal 2, Action 2; ITTC Decision 6(XXXI)]

Item 2 (xii)

Facilitate the negotiation of a Successor Agreement to the ITTA, 1994
[ITTC Decisions 8(XXXIII) and 6(XXXIV)]

Consultations and convening an inter-sessional meeting and activities as appropriate. \$150,000.00

Item 2 (xiii)

Improving effectiveness of project work from ex-post evaluations
[ITTC Decision 11(XXXIV)]

Consultancy work and working group meeting \$100,000.00

Item 2 (xiv)

Support participation of and contribution to the CSAG and TAG in ITTC sessions, including the organization of a panel at the Thirty-sixth Session. \$80,000.00
[ITTC Decisions 9(XXVIII) and 2(XXXII)]

Item 2 (xv)

Co-sponsor an international symposium on the impacts of forest certification in developing countries and emerging economies, with reference to both community and industrial logging operations, in collaboration with others. \$30,000.00
[ITTC Decisions 10(XXX) and 11(XXXII)]

Item 2 (xvi)

Workshop on capacity building for the implementation of mahogany CITES listing in Bolivia, Brazil and Peru \$150,000.00
[ITTO Yokohama Action Plan, Section 3.1, Goal 2, Action 7; ITTC Decision 7(XXXIV)]

4. Decides to authorize financing for immediate implementation of the following Activities from resources of the Sub-Account B of the Bali Partnership Fund, and/or Unearmarked Funds in the Special Account:

PD 16/93 Rev. 4 (M) Phase IV \$300,000.00
- Year 2004

PD 13/99 Rev.2 (M,F,I) Phase II \$530,000.00
- Year 2004

Expert panel for Technical Appraisal of Project Proposals \$93,500.00
Twenty-seventh Meeting

Regional Officers (2) \$100,000.00
Africa and Latin America – Year 2004 balance fund

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Item 2 (iv)

Promote the conservation, rehabilitation and sustainable management of mangroves, in collaboration with relevant organizations
[ITTO Yokohama Action Plan, Section 3.2, Goal 1, Action 4, ITTC Decision 4(XXXIII)]

To strengthen the implementation of the ITTO Mangrove Work Plan 2002-2006, particularly in the following areas:

a. Updating of the World Mangrove Atlas in collaboration with ISME, UNESCO, WCMC and FAO; and \$200,000.00

b. Assessing existing, and if applicable, develop new methodologies and guidelines for assessing qualitative and quantitative aspects of mangroves and criteria and indicators for sustainable management of mangrove ecosystems. \$60,000.00

Item 2 (v) a.

Develop and promote the implementation of Guidelines for the management of secondary tropical forests, the restoration of degraded tropical forests and the rehabilitation of degraded forest land
[ITTO Yokohama Action Plan, Section 3.2, Goal 2, Action 3]

Conducting of 10 national workshops to further promote the implementation of the ITTO Guidelines for the Restoration, Management and Rehabilitation of Degraded and Secondary Tropical Forests. Undertaking, in close collaboration with other organizations, the development of technical manuals on forest landscape restoration. \$500,000.00

5. Decides to authorize implementation of the following Activities after further work of the Committees as appropriate and as soon as earmarked funds are available in the Special Account, and/or when funds are made available through the resources of the Sub-Account B of the Bali Partnership Fund, and/or Unearmarked Funds in the Special Account:

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Item 2 (ii) Review of the timber market in two significant tropical timber importing countries [ITTO Yokohama Action Plan, Section 3.1, Goal 1, Action 5]	\$200,000.00
Item 2 (iii) Study on subsidies affecting tropical timber products [ITTO Yokohama Action Plan, Section 3.1, Goal 2, Action 2]	\$150,000.00
Item 2 (vi) Monitor and assess the environmental, social and economic costs and benefits of forest plantation development and utilize that information to promote new plantations [ITTO Yokohama Action Plan, Section 3.2, Goal 2, Action 5]	
Study on Encouraging Private Sector Investment in Industrial Forest Plantations in the Tropics	\$147,630.00
Item 2 (vii) Review and update the ITTO Guidelines for the Conservation of Biodiversity in Tropical Timber Producing Forests, taking into account recent developments, including CBD's work programme on forest biodiversity and ITTO's renewed cooperation with IUCN. [ITTO Yokohama Action Plan, Section 3.2, Goal 2, Action 1]	\$100,000.00
Item 2 (viii) Promote the establishment of efficient and socially sound community-based forest industries [ITTO Yokohama Action Plan, Section 3.3, Goal 2, Action 8]	
Study to review experiences of successful community-based forest industries.	\$150,000.00
Item 2 (ix) Study and promote policies and other measures to increase tropical plywood industry competitiveness [ITTO Yokohama Action Plan, Section 3.3, Goal 1, Action 2]	
Implement studies and organize an international conference in cooperation with FAO, on export plywood, with a view to produce and disseminate information to enhance competitiveness of tropical plywood.	\$150,000.00
Item 2 (xvii) Audit of existing tracking systems in tropical forests industries [ITTO Yokohama Action Plan, Section 3.1, Goal 2, Action 1]	\$130,000.00

6. Urges Members to consider financing those approved Projects, Pre-Projects and Activities for which funds are not immediately available,
7. Appeals to Members to make unearmarked contributions to the Special Account which comprise at least 10% of the total value of their pledges, in accordance with Decision 6(XIII), the remainder being voluntary contributions allocated to approved Projects, Pre-Projects and Activities and furthermore decides that such unearmarked contributions shall not be allocated without the prior authorization of the Council,

8. 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,
9. 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.

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