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DECISION 1(XXXIV)

PROJECTS, PRE-PROJECTS AND ACTIVITIES

The International Tropical Timber Council,

Having considered at its Thirty-fourth Session the recommendations of the three Committees on Projects, Pre-Projects and Activities, as contained in documents CEM, CFI(XXXII)/10, and CRF(XXXII)/7; and the report of the Fourth Meeting of the Panel on Sub-Account B of the Bali Partnership Fund as contained in document ITTC(XXXIV)/19;

1. Decides:

(i) to approve the following Projects:

PD 133/02 Rev.3 (M)	Timber and Timber Products Trade Flow Study in the Philippines (The Philippines) ITTO Budget: \$126,937.00
PD 196/03 Rev.1 (M)	Upgrading and Strengthening of the National Forest Statistics Information System in Venezuela (Venezuela) ITTO Budget: \$384,265.00
PD 152/02 Rev.3 (F)	Demonstration Project for the Rehabilitation and Multipurpose Sustainable Management of Mangrove Forest Ecosystems on the Coast of Ecuador (Ecuador) ITTO Budget: \$548,394.00
PD 156/02 Rev.3 (F) Phases I and II	Conservation and Reforestation of Threatened Mangrove Forest Areas along the Pacific Coast of Panama (Panama) ITTO Budget: \$491,257.00 – Phase I \$316,887.00 – Phase II
PD 167/02 Rev.2 (F)	Integration of Forest Management Units (FMU) into Sustainable Development Units (SDU) through Collaborative Forest Management in Surigao de Sur, Philippines (The Philippines) ITTO Budget: \$630,907.00
PD 206/03 Rev.1 (F)	Development of Human Resources in Sustainable Forest Management and Reduced Impact Logging in the Brazilian Amazon (Brazil) ITTO Budget: \$599,650.00
PD 73/01 Rev.5 (I,M)	Promotion of Tropical Non-Wood Forest Products (NWFPS) in Guangxi Autonomous Region, China based on Sustainable Community Development (China) ITTO Budget: \$286,677.00

PD 103/01 Rev.4 (I) Demonstration of Rubberwood Processing Technology and Promotion of Sustainable Development in China and other Asian Countries (China)
ITTO Budget: \$349,641.00

PD 189/03 Rev.1 (I) Support Project for the Updating of Training in Forest Management and Forest Concession Management in Central African Forestry Schools (Gabon)
ITTO Budget: \$149,460.00

- (ii) to approve sponsorship of the following Project for funding through other relevant financial institutions in accordance with Article 20, (6), (7) and Article 28 of the ITTA, 1994:

PD 102/01 Rev.4 (M) Economic Database on Bamboo and Rattan (China)
Budget: \$346,726.00

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

PD 133/02 Rev.3 (M)	\$126,937.00
PD 152/02 Rev.3 (F)	\$548,394.00
PD 156/02 Rev.3 (F) Phase I	\$491,257.00
PD 206/03 Rev.1 (F)	\$599,650.00
PD 189/03 Rev.1 (I)	\$149,460.00

- (iv) to authorize the release of additional funds in the amount of \$200,000.00 for the continued implementation of the Freezailah Fellowship Fund;

- (v) 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 196/03 Rev.1 (M)	\$384,265.00
PD 156/02 Rev.3 (F) Phase II	\$316,887.00
PD 167/02 Rev.2 (F)	\$630,907.00
PD 73/01 Rev.5 (I,M)	\$286,677.00
PD 103/01 Rev.4 (I)	\$349,641.00

2. Decides:

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

PPD 64/02 Rev.1 (M) Promotion of Guatemalan Certified Timber Trade (Guatemala)
ITTO Budget: \$50,000.00

PPD 74/03 Rev.1 (M) Development of the National Forest Information System of Guatemala (Guatemala)
ITTO Budget: \$30,581.00

PPD 72/03 Rev.1 (F) Technical Assistance for the Development of a Project Proposal on Institutional Strengthening for Forest Fire Prevention, Mitigation and Management in the Natural and Planted Forests of Panama (Panama)
ITTO Budget: \$36,623.00

PPD 75/03 Rev.1 (F) Genetic Improvement of Tropical Forest Species (Guatemala)
ITTO Budget: \$42,400.00

PPD 83/03 (F)	Study on Encouraging Private Sector Investment in Industrial Forest Plantations in the Tropics ITTO Budget: \$147,630.00
PPD 68/03 Rev.1 (I)	Study on Utilization of Plantation Teak (Myanmar) ITTO Budget: \$39,722.00
PPD 80/03 Rev.2 (I)	Promoting the Utilization of Rubberwood from Sustainable Sources in Indonesia (Indonesia) ITTO Budget: \$69,340.00
PPD 81/03 (I)	Training Needs Analysis for Furniture and Lumber Industries in the Philippines (The Philippines) ITTO Budget: \$65,733.00

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

PPD 64/02 Rev.1 (M)	\$50,000.00
PPD 74/03 Rev.1 (M)	\$30,581.00
PPD 72/03 Rev/1 (F)	\$36,623.00
PPD 75/03 Rev.1 (F)	\$42,400.00
PPD 80/03 Rev.2 (I)	\$69,340.00

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

PP-A/33-125: Public Relations, Education and Outreach – Additional Funds [Decision 3(XXXIII)]	\$50,000.00
PP-A/30-102: The Role of ITTO in International and Regional Organizations and Fora – Additional Funds [Decision 7(XXX)]	\$73,000.00
PP-A/30-102: The Role of ITTO in International and Regional Organizations and Fora – Staff secondment to the UNFF [Decision 7(XXX) para.5]	\$180,000.00
PP-A/32-122: Promotion of Sustainable Forest Management in the Congo Basin – Additional Funds [Decision 10(XXXII)]	\$101,060.00

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

PPD 83/03 (F)	\$147,630.00
PPD 68/03 Rev.1 (I)	\$39,722.00
PPD 81/03 (I)	\$65,733.00

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

Strengthening the Asia Forest Partnership Decision 3(XXXIV)	\$166,500.00
Cooperation Between ITTO and CITES on Mahogany (<i>Swietenia macrophylla</i>) Decision 7(XXXIV)	\$66,600.00

Management of Project Implementation Decision 8(XXXIV)	\$50,000.00
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Phased Approaches to Certification Decision 10(XXXIV)	\$250,000.00
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4. Decides to authorize financing for immediate implementation of the following Activities from resources obtained through voluntary contributions, and/or resources of the Sub-Account B of the Bali Partnership Fund, and/or resources of the Working Capital Account of the Administrative Account:

Criteria and Indicators for Sustainable Forest Management Decision 4(XXXIV)	\$643,800.00
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Negotiating a Successor Agreement to the ITTA, 1994 Decision 6(XXXIV)	\$565,000.00
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Measures to Promote the Expansion and Diversification of International Trade in Tropical Timber Decision 12(XXXIV)	\$150,000.00
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5. Decides to authorize financing for immediate implementation of the following Activity from resources of the Sub-Account B of the Bali Partnership Fund:

Expert Panel for Technical Appraisal of Project Proposals, Twenty-sixth Meeting; and One-day Extended Panel Meeting – Decision 11(XXXIV)	\$103,500.00
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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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