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## **PROVISIONAL AGENDA**

#### <u>Item 1</u> - <u>Report of the Expert Panel for Technical Appraisal of Project Proposals</u> [Document ITTC/EP-54]

The report of the Fifty-fourth Expert Panel, including the general observations is contained in Document ITTC/EP-54. The report will be presented by the Chairperson of the Expert Panel under the Joint Committees on Thursday, 5 December 2019.

### Item 2 - CSAG Panel Discussion on Enhancing the Role of Women in Forestry

The panel discussion organized by CSAG to be held under the Joint Committees on Thursday, 5 December 2019, will share the experiences from the women of Togo based on the outputs from a preparatory meeting prior to the Council.

In order to improve efficiency of the work of the Council and the Committees, the following items will be discussed during the Trade and Markets Day held under the Joint Committees on Tuesday, 3 December 2019, combining relevant items into a cohesive programme. It will include representation from TAG, the private sector and a regional high-level segment. The detailed programme of the Trade and Markets Day is currently under development and will be posted in due course.

#### Item 3 - Annual Market Discussion 2019

The theme of the ITTO Annual Market Discussion - 2019 as proposed by the Trade Advisory Group (TAG) is "Added Value Processing in Africa – The Opportunities and Challenges". An information note detailing the schedule and speakers is available at the ITTO website under: https://www.itto.int/direct/topics/topics\_pdf\_download/topics\_id=6268&no=1

#### Item 4 - Policy Work under the Committee on Economics, Statistics and Markets

At its Fifty-second Session, the Committee on Economics, Statistics and Markets held discussions and agreed to continue to work in the Fifty-third Session on the following policy-related matters:

- Market Access;
- Forest and Timber Certification;
- Clean Wood progress report; and
- IMM Progress Report (BWP Activity 7)

#### Item 5 – Legal and Sustainable Supply Chains (LSSC) Pilot Programme

The Joint Committees will receive an update on the Legal and Sustainable Supply Chains (LSSC) Pilot Programme (BWP Activity 2).

#### Item 6 – Enhancing Cooperation between ITTO and CITES

The Joint Committees will receive an update on the cooperation between ITTO and CITES (BWP Activity 6).

## Item 7 - Other Business

The Joint Committees will receive presentations on the following topics under this item:

- World Resources Institute, WRI the Open Timber Portal
- APEC Expert Group on Illegal Logging and Associated Trade (EGILAT)
- Global Timber Tracking Network, (GTTN)

The Joint Committees may discuss any other matters raised under this item.

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