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REPORT OF THE ITTO FELLOWSHIP SELECTION PANEL

(Item 10 (d)(2) of the Provisional Agenda)

 Fellowship selection for 2019 was conducted electronically. However, the Panel met once during the Fifty-fifth Session of the ITTC to finalize the selection of successful applicants for the Autumn 2019 Cycle. The Selection Panel was composed of:

Chairperson: Mr. Björn Merkell (Vice-Chairperson, ITTC)

Producers: Mr. Arsène Ewossaka (The Republic of the Congo)

Mr. Retno Maryani (Indonesia)
Dr. Josefina Takahashi (Peru)

Consumers: Ms. Argyro Zerva (European Union)

Mr. Rob Busink (The Netherlands)

Mr. Luke D. Thompson (USA)

And supported by:

Secretariat: Ms. Sheam Satkuru Mr. Takumi Akama

2. The ITTO Secretariat received a total of 60 applications and pre-selected 21 applications which were rigorously scanned and considered as complete applications. The Selection Panel considered these 21 applications, made up of 12 applications from Africa, 6 from Asia/Pacific, 3 from Latin America and Caribbean region. Twenty-four percent of the applications were in the field of Forest Industry (FI) and 76% in the field of Reforestation and Forest Management (RFM). Twenty-nine percent of the applications were submitted by female applicants.

While reviewing these 21 applications, the Panel used the following selection criteria:

- 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 of 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 14 fellowships, subject to the availability of funds at a total cost of US\$97,666.40. Women account for 29% of the recommended applicants. 50% of the recommended applicants are from Africa, 36% from Asia/Pacific, 14% from Latin America and Caribbean region. The recommended applicants are listed in the Appendix to this report.

3. The Fellowship Panel Chair and the Vice Chair of ITTC55 Mr. Björn Merkell thanked all members for their excellent work.

4. The 2020 Fellowship Selection Panel is composed of :

Chairperson: Vice-Chairperson, 56^h Session of ITTC

Producers: Dr. Joseph Y. Appiah-Gyapong (Ghana)

Mr. Reyhan Savero Pradietya (Indonesia) Mr. Roberto Andrés Bosch (Guatemala)

Consumers: Mr. Yasunori Fujihira (Japan)

Dr. Jobst-Michael Schroeder (Germany) Mr. Luke Thompson (USA)

APPENDIX

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

Autumn 2019 Fellowship Cycle

App. No name nationality Subject	p. No	Name	Nationality	Subject
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COMMITTEE ON FOREST INDUSTRY

009/19A	Desy Ekawati	Indonesia	Natural Resources and Environmental Management, IPB University, Indonesia
022/19A	Merlin Simo Tagne	Cameroon	Experimentation and validation of a solar dryer for timber for low tropical timber artisans in Central Africa, (ENSTIB), EPINAL, France
028/19A	Jean-Bosco Saha Tchinda	Cameroon	Manufacture of wood-polyvinyl chloride composite pipes based on waste sawdust from Ayous and Movingui, Cameroon

COMMITTEE ON REFORESTATION AND FOREST MANAGEMENT

007/19A	Murughan Manikam	Malaysia	Short Training Course, International Forest Governance Course 2020, University of Freiburg, Germany
015/19A	Myo Hein Hten	Myanmar	Post-Graduate Degree Program, International Master Program in Tropical Forestry, Vietnam National University of Forestry, Myanmar
018/19A	Essowe Pitassa	Togo	Post-Graduate Degree Program, Analysis of the dynamics of growth of local forest timber species of Togo, ENSA, Senegal
019/19A	Komlan Togbossi	Togo	Post-Graduate Degree Program, Foresterie et Environnement pour une Gestion Durable des Ressources Naturelles, ENSA, Senegal
020/19A	Adote Akueson	Benin	Post-Graduate Degree Program, Study of the border effect in teak plantations (Tectona grandis) in Southern Benin at the Graduate School of Agricultural Sciences and Water, University of Parakou, Benin
021/19A	Gurveen Arora	India	Short Training Course, Carbon Forestry Course by Freiburg Academy of Continuing Education (FRAUW), University of Freiburg, Germany

023/19A	Wiyaou Borozi	Togo	Post-Graduate Degree Program, Doctoral Training in Natural Resource Management and Management, University of Parakou, Benin
024/19A	Alfredo Tadeo Noble	Mexico	Technical Document Preparation, Manuel for forestry technicians in tropical forests, Venustiano Carranza Higher Technical Institute, Mexico
026/19A	Swayam Mallick	India	Short Training Course, International Environmental Law Programme, Maastricht University, The Netherlands
036/19A	Angelica Barrero Ramirez	Colombia	Post-Graduate Degree Program, International Professional Master in Development and Conservation Practice, CATIE, Costa Rica
044/19A	Fifonsi Dangbo	Togo	Short Training Internship, Modeling forest cover change and carbon biomass, School of Agricultural, Forest and Food Sciences, Bern University of Applied Sciences, Switzerland

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