

1<sup>st</sup> ITTO Trade and Markets Day

ITTO Joint Committee Session, 3 December 2019, Lomé, Togo

Time	ITEM
09:00 – 10:15	<p><b>High Level Panel Discussion Added Value Processing in Africa – The Opportunities and Challenges</b></p> <p><b>Setting the Scene:</b> The importance of legal and sustainable supply chains for development, growth and the climate in the African context. Introduction of ITTO's Programmatic Approach and emerging new LSSC Programme (<u>JC Agenda Item 5</u>) <i>Gerhard Dieterle, Executive Director, ITTO</i></p> <p><b>Panel Discussion with Ministers from the Africa Region:</b> Developing sustainable forests and forest industry sectors in Africa for domestic and international trade. Moderator: <i>Sheam Satkuru, Director Operations, ITTO</i></p>
10:15 – 10:30	Coffee Break
10:30 – 12:00	<p><u>JC Agenda Item 4:</u> Policy Work under the Committee on Economics, Statistics and Markets</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Market Access</li> <li>• Forest and Timber Certification</li> <li>• Clean Wood Progress Report</li> <li>• IMM Progress Report</li> </ul> <p><i>The FLEGT Independent Market Monitor project will report the latest data on the EU and wider global market position of VPA partner timber products and introduce a series of special IMM studies published in 2019 on the current and potential future role of FLEGT licensing in public sector and corporate timber procurement policy, in promoting high quality forest sector investment, and in tropical wood furniture market development, and on leading EU architects' perceptions of VPA partner timber products.</i></p> <p><u>JC Agenda Item 6:</u> Enhancing Cooperation between ITTO and CITES</p>
12:00 – 13:00	Lunch Break
13:00 – 16:30	<p><u>JC Agenda Item 3:</u> Annual Market Discussion 'Added Value Processing in Africa – the Opportunities and Challenges – (see MD flyer*)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Foresterie et transformation du bois au Togo: défis et opportunités (Forestry and wood processing in Togo: challenges and opportunities); <i>Pyoabalo Alaba, Ingénieur des Eaux et forêts, Directeur Général de l'office de développement et d'Exploitation des forêts-Odef (Water and Forest Engineer, Director General of the Office of Forest Development and Exploitation (ODEF));</i></li> <li>• The Dynamics of Intra-Africa wood trade markets and implications for sustainable development; <i>Labode Popoola, President, West African Research and Innovation Management Association; Pioneer Director, Centre for Sustainable Development, University of Ibadan, Nigeria;</i></li> <li>• Wood Processing in South Africa – successes and setbacks; <i>Roy Southey, Executive Director, Sawmilling SA;</i></li> <li>• Industrial forestry plantations in Africa and their importance for developing timber industries—the case of Form Ghana; <i>Rik Sools, Managing Director, Form International;</i></li> <li>• Challenges for Ghanaian manufacturers – the support provided by the Association of Ghana Industries (AGI); <i>Johnson Opoku-Boateng, Director, Business Development Services, Association of Ghana Industries (AGI);</i></li> <li>• Feature Address: Dreams to industrialise – how can Africa achieve its long-postponed ambitions? <i>Mafa Chipeta, Retired FAO Subregional Coordinator for Eastern Africa and FAO Representative to the African Union, the UN Economic Commission for Africa (UNECA) and Ethiopia;</i></li> <li>• Questions &amp; Discussion</li> <li>• Presentation of the Trade Statement prepared by the Trade Advisory Group (TAG)</li> </ul>
16:30 – 16:45	Coffee Break
16:45– 18:15	<p><u>JC Agenda Item 7:</u> Other Business</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• GTTN – Phase I &amp; II; vision Phase III (<i>Jose Bolanos, EFI; ITTO Secretariat</i>)</li> <li>• WRI – Open Timber Portal (<i>Marie Vallée, WRI</i>)</li> <li>• APEC – EGILAT (<i>ITTO Secretariat</i>)</li> <li>• Q&amp;A</li> </ul>

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