



FIFTY-SEVENTH SESSION
29 November – 3 December 2021
Virtual Session

DECISION 6(LVII)

APPOINTMENT OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

The International Tropical Timber Council,

Acting pursuant to Article 14, paragraphs 1 and 2 of the International Tropical Timber Agreement (ITTA), 2006;

Recalling Decision 5(LVI) on matters related to Article 14 of the ITTA, 2006, regarding the recruitment, selection and term of the Executive Director;

Further recalling the Report of the Panel on Matters Related to Article 14 of the ITTA, 2006, regarding the recruitment, selection and term of the Executive Director (Document ITTC(LVII/8));

Underscoring the strategic role of the Executive Director as the Head of the Organization;

Welcoming the spirit of partnership between consumer and producer members in the selection of the Executive Director;

Taking into consideration Decision 10(LIII) on rotation in the framework of the selection of the Executive Director of the ITTO;

Also taking into consideration Decision 6(LIV) on the selection of the candidates for the position of Executive Director of the ITTO;

Noting with appreciation the applications for the position of Executive Director of ITTO;

Also noting the obligation on the Executive Director to respect the Standards of Conduct set out in Decision 8(LII);

Decides:

1. To appoint by consensus Ms. Sheamala Satkuru as Executive Director of the International Tropical Timber Organization for a period of four years, with a contract of employment to be signed no later than 1 January 2022 for a start date no later than 1 April 2022. The term of the appointment may be extended for up to 2 years if approved by Council.
2. That the appointment will be at the UN ASG level and includes benefits in accordance with the most recent ITTO Staff Regulations and Rules, such as removal expenses, home leave travel every 24 months, children's education grant, rental subsidies and others.
3. That the Executive Director shall be subject to the ITTO Staff Regulations and Rules in so far as they can be applied to her/him.
4. That the Executive Director shall be subject to Regulation 7.4a which sets the retirement age as prescribed by the United Nations, currently 65 years.
5. That the Executive Director shall be subject to the ITTO provisions for early dismissal (for poor performance, misconduct or other violations).
6. That the Executive Director shall be subject to the Standards of Conduct set out in Decision 8(LII).