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Item 1 - Report of the Expert Panel for Technical Appraisal of Project Proposals
[Document ITTC/EP-58]

The report of the Fifty-eighth Expert Panel, held virtually, including the general observations as contained in Document ITTC/EP-58 will be presented by the Chairperson of the Expert Panel.

Item 2 Ex-post Evaluation Reports
[Document CEM-CFI(LVII)/4]

The Committees may recall that the following projects were selected for ex-post evaluation during the Fifty-sixth Session of the Committee on Economics, Statistics and Markets and Committee on Forest Industry:

Committee on Economics, Statistics and Markets

PD 599/11 Rev.1 (M) Development and Testing of National Forest Stock Monitoring System (FSMS) with Improved Governance Capabilities at all Levels of the Forest Administration

TFL-PD 037/13 Rev.2 (M) Implementing a DNA Timber Tracking System in Indonesia

TFL-PD 044/13 Rev.2 (M) Strengthening of ANAM's Management Capacity to Reduce Illegal Logging and Trade in the Eastern Region of Panama (Bayano and Darien) through Monitoring and Control Mechanisms

Committee on Forest Industry

PD 600/11 Rev.1 (I) Model Capacity Building for Efficient and Sustainable Utilization of Bamboo Resources in Indonesia

PD 737/14 Rev.2 (I) Developing Supply Capacity of Wood-based Biomass Energy through Improved Enabling Conditions and Efficient Utilization of Degraded Forest Lands Involving Local Communities in North Sumatra Province of Indonesia

The Committees may consider the executive summaries of the reports of the ex-post evaluation of these projects, as contained in document CEM-CFI(LVII)/4.

The Committees may also recall that during the Fifty-sixth Session of the Committee on Reforestation and Forest Management (CRF), forest landscape restoration (FLR) was chosen for a thematic group evaluation. This objective of this evaluation is to assess the impact of empowering local communities and women in these selected projects, with due consideration to the guidance outlined in the ITTO Guidelines for Forest Landscape Restoration in the Tropics and the ITTO Policy Guidelines on Gender Equality and Women's Empowerment. The evaluation included the following fourteen projects and activities:

Committee on Reforestation and Forest Management

PD 452/07 Rev.5 (F) Sustainable Management of Production Forests at the Commercial Scale in the Brazilian Amazon – Phase II

PD 477/07 Rev.4 (F) Improving Forest Functions in Bengkulu Province through Community Participation in Rehabilitation of Degraded Forest by Using Local Prospective Commodities (Indonesia)

PD 552/09 Rev.1 (F) Encouraging Customary Landowners in the Lowlands of Papua New Guinea's Central Province to Reforest their Grasslands with High Value Trees

PD 646/12 Rev.3 (F) Initiating the Conservation of Cempaka Tree Species (*Elmerrillia Spp*) through Plantation Development with Local Community Participation in North Sulawesi, Indonesia

PD 653/12 Rev.1 (F)	Sustainable, Mixed and Pure Forest Plantation Development in the Transitional Zone of Ghana's Biakoye District Assembly, Employing Poverty Reduction Strategies (Ghana)
PD 696/13 Rev.2 (F)	Community Based Restoration and Sustainable Management of Vulnerable Forest of the Rewa Delta, Viti Levu, Fiji
PD 712/13 Rev.3 (F)	Enhancing the Implementation of Landscape Management of Giam Siak Kecil-Bukit Batu Biosphere Reserve (GSK-BR) in Riau Province of Sumatra Island, Sumatra - Phase I (Indonesia)
PD 777/15 Rev.3 (F)	Accelerating the Restoration of Cibodas Biosphere Reserve (CBR) Functions through Proper Management of Landscapes Involving Local Stakeholders (Indonesia)
PD 849/17 Rev.2 (F) PP-A/54-331	Increasing Commercial Reforestation Competitiveness in Costa Rica Enhancing Conservation and Sustainable Management of Teak Forests and Legal and Sustainable Wood Supply Chains in the Greater Mekong Sub-Region
PP-A/56-340-1	Capacity Building on Forest and Land Fire Management in Indonesia
PP-A/56-340-2	Forest Fire Prevention and Response in Tropical Forests and Forest Plantations in Peru
PP-A/56-341 & 341A	Support for Women's Groups with the Restoration of Forest Landscapes in the Prefectures of Blitta and Lacs, Togo (Phase I & II)

The Committees may consider the thematic evaluation report concerning a group of 14 FLR-related projects and activities, as contained in document CRF(LVII)/5.

To improve efficiency of the work of the Council and the Committees, the following items will also be discussed during the Trade and Markets Day held under the Joint Committees on Tuesday, 14 November 2023, combining relevant items into a cohesive programme. The detailed programme of the Trade and Markets Day is currently under development and will be posted in due course.

Item 3 - CSAG Panel Discussion

The theme of the panel discussion organized by the Civil Society Advisory Group, CSAG is "SME-Community Forestry – timber governance and trade issues, challenges and way forward to meet the requirements of the EUDR". An information note detailing the schedule and speakers will be circulated prior to the session.

Item 4 - Annual Market Discussion 2023

The theme of the ITTO Annual Market Discussion 2023 as proposed by the Trade Advisory Group (TAG) is "Tropical Timber Industry: Challenges and Opportunities from Changing Priorities". An information note detailing the schedule and speakers will be circulated prior to the session.

Item 5 - Policy Work under the Committee on Economics, Statistics and Markets

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

- Market Access;
- Forest and Timber Certification;
- APEC EGILAT and ITTO collaboration;
- IMM Progress Report (final report) (BWP Activity 6); and
- Selected on-going activities under the Legal and Sustainable Supply Chain (LSSC) programme (BWP Activity 2).

Item 6 - Other Business

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