We are pleased to announce the RSCE2 Preparatory Meeting, to be held in Abidjan, Côte d’Ivoire from 10-12 February 2009.

The second Roundtable for a Sustainable Cocoa Economy (RSCE2), an important event for the future of cocoa, will take place from 24-26 March 2009 in Port of Spain at the kind invitation of the Government of Trinidad and Tobago. The RSCE2 Preparatory Meeting in Abidjan is being organized to enable cocoa stakeholders, particularly those from Africa who are not in a position to participate in the Roundtable meeting in Trinidad and Tobago, to share their experiences in the sustainable production and use of cocoa, notably the challenges and success stories related thereto.

For all information related to the RSCE2 Preparatory Meeting, including the draft programme, please visit the RSCE online @

www.roundtablecocoa.org/showpage.asp?RSCE2PrepMeeting

The draft programme for the RSCE2 Preparatory Meeting allows ample time for discussions and presentations on experiences from the field, identifying gaps and constraints in the development of a more sustainable cocoa economy. The leaders of the Expert Groups will present and discuss the RSCE2 background documents which will be posted for discussion on the Roundtable website in English, French and Spanish from 16 January 2009.

The discussions and findings from the RSCE2 Preparatory Meeting in Abidjan will be included in a Summary Report and presented as a background document at RSCE2 in Trinidad and Tobago. Simultaneous translation to and from English and French will be provided throughout the RSCE2 Preparatory Meeting.

Registration for the RSCE2 Preparatory Meeting is easy and free - it can be done using the registration form provided online on the Roundtable website. The location for the meeting will be the building of the Caisse de Stabilisation (CAISTAB), Avenue Terrason de Fougeres, Abidjan-Plateau.

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