



ECONOMICS COMMITTEE

Thirteenth meeting

Heden Golf Hotel, Abidjan, Côte d'Ivoire, 09-11 April 2019

DRAFT AGENDA

1. Opening of the meeting
2. Adoption of agenda
3. Draft 5-Year Strategic Plan of Action (2019-2024) for the ICCO: Executive Note
4. Draft 5-year Strategic Plan of Action for the ICCO
5. EU initiative on stepping up action against Deforestation and Forest Degradation
6. Progress Report on Projects
7. The World Cocoa Market: Current Situation and Forecasts
8. Cocoa Processing at Origins: Financial Viability of Local Investments – A Preliminary Report
9. Report on the 26th meeting of the Expert Working Group on Stocks
10. Report on the Implementation of the Work Programme for the 2018/2019 cocoa year
11. Completion Report on the Project entitled Integrated Management of Cocoa Pests and Pathogens in Africa (CFC/ICCO/43)
12. Completion Report on the Project entitled Capacity Building on Price Risk Management Strategy for Cocoa Smallholder Farmers in Africa (CFC/ICCO/44)
13. Project Proposal on “Transferring Technology on the Best Agricultural Practices to Prevent and Control Vascular-Streak Dieback (VSD) and Phytophthora Pod Rot (PPR) Diseases of Cocoa”
14. Draft Work Programme for the 2019/2020 cocoa year
15. Other business
16. Record of decisions

ANNOTATIONS TO THE DRAFT AGENDA

1. OPENING OF THE MEETING

The thirteenth meeting of the Economics Committee will be opened by its Chairman, Mr. Stéphane Brossard (European Union).

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

The Committee will consider the draft agenda contained in this document as a basis for adopting its agenda.

3. DRAFT 5-YEAR STRATEGIC PLAN OF ACTION FOR THE ICCO: EXECUTIVE NOTE

The Executive Director will present to the Committee the motivation and rationale underlying the proposed draft 5-year Strategic Plan of Action for the ICCO, with reference to document EC/13/2.

4. DRAFT 5-YEAR STRATEGIC PLAN OF ACTION FOR THE ICCO

The Committee will receive the draft 5-year Strategic Plan of Action for the ICCO, with reference to document EC/13/3.

5. EU INITIATIVE ON STEPPING UP ACTION AGAINST DEFORESTATION AND FOREST DEGRADATION

The Committee will discuss the European Union's initiative on stepping up its action against deforestation and forest degradation, based on the document EC/13/4 prepared by the Secretariat following the closing of the second consultation period.

The Committee will make a recommendation to the Council on this matter for consideration at its concurrent 99th regular session.

6. PROGRESS REPORT ON PROJECTS

The Committee will receive a report from the Secretariat on the progress achieved in the formulation, implementation and supervision of ICCO-sponsored projects, with reference to the document EC/13/5.

7. THE WORLD COCOA MARKET: CURRENT SITUATION AND FORECASTS

The Committee will receive a presentation on the current situation of the world cocoa and chocolate confectionery markets and their future prospects, with reference to document EC/13/6.

8. COCOA PROCESSING AT ORIGIN: FINANCIAL VIABILITY OF LOCAL INVESTMENTS – A PRELIMINARY REPORT

The Secretariat will present a preliminary report on the estimated financial performances of local investments in cocoa processing at origin, with reference to document EC/13/7.

9. REPORT ON THE 26TH MEETING OF THE EXPERT WORKING GROUP ON STOCKS

The Committee will receive a report on the twenty-sixth meeting of the Expert Working Group on Stocks which took place on 24 January 2019 at the offices of ICE Futures Europe in London, United Kingdom, with reference to document EWG/S/REP/26.

10. REPORT ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE WORK PROGRAMME FOR THE 2018/2019 COCOA YEAR

The Committee will receive a report on the implementation of the annual work programme for the 2018/2019 cocoa year, with reference to document EC/13/8.

11. COMPLETION REPORT ON THE PROJECT ENTITLED INTEGRATED MANAGEMENT OF COCOA PESTS AND PATHOGENS IN AFRICA (CFC/ICCO/43)

The Secretariat will present the completion report for the above-mentioned project, with reference to document EC/13/9.

12. COMPLETION REPORT ON THE PROJECT ENTITLED PRICE RISK MANAGEMENT FOR COCOA SMALLHOLDER FARMERS IN AFRICA (CFC/ICCO/44)

The Committee will receive the completion report for the above-mentioned project, with reference to document EC/13/10.

13. PROJECT PROPOSAL ON “TRANSFERRING TECHNOLOGY ON THE BEST AGRICULTURAL PRACTICES TO PREVENT AND CONTROL VASCULAR-STREAK DIEBACK (VSD) AND PHYTOPHTHORA POD ROT (PPR) DISEASES OF COCOA”

The Committee will receive a draft proposal for a project to be implemented in Indonesia, with reference to document EC/13/11.

14. DRAFT WORK PROGRAMME FOR THE 2019/2020 COCOA YEAR

In accordance with Article 17, paragraph 3 of the International Cocoa Agreement, 2010, the Committee will receive a draft of the work programme for the 2019/2020 cocoa year, with reference to document EC/13/12.

15. OTHER BUSINESS

Matters not on the agenda may be raised for consideration.

16. RECORD OF DECISIONS

The Committee will take its record of decisions as read.