

INTERNATIONAL COCOA ORGANIZATION

Funding the Global Cocoa Sector

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Sustainable Funding

Funding for what?

Long-term projects aimed to provide general benefits to the cocoa sector

Rule 1. Should not be paid by Producers – either directly or as a result of lower prices

So, what are the options for long-term funding?

Option 1 – seek funding from:

Governments,

inter-governmental agencies

donor organizations

Option 2 – seek funding from:

Consumers



Option 2 – A Consumer tax?

Suggestion 1

UNITAID-style collection on the container traffic for cocoa

Money collected by the shipping companies on the freight and administered by an internationally recognised agency

Equivalent to UNITAID, money collected by the airlines (limited number of companies) on passenger traffic and administered by WHO

e.g. **\$5 per container** to Europe ≈ \$450,000 generated





Secure Physical Traceability – A Potential Source of Sustainable Funding

Suggestion 2

A **central agency** to offer a **global service** to those end-users of beans who wish to have **secure physical traceability**

- Central agency to sell registered bar-coded seals to the end-users
- Seals then provided (for free) to the end-users' selected primary collection agencies (e.g. a Co-operative)
- At the point from which traceability is to start, seals sewn into the neck of the bags, such that any tampering of the contents becomes evident.

Secure physical traceability providing a source of sustainable funding to the global cocoa sector



Thank you



