



## **ECONOMICS COMMITTEE**

Fifteenth meeting

ICCO Headquarters, Abidjan, Côte d'Ivoire, or Videoconference, 22-25 September 2020

### **DRAFT AGENDA**

1. Opening of the meeting
2. Adoption of agenda
3. Report of the Chairman of the Consultative Board
4. The World Cocoa Market: Current Situation and Forecasts
5. Monitoring and Evaluation Framework of the Global Cocoa Agenda
6. Premium Cocoa
7. Market Prospects for Cocoa Semi-Finished Products
8. Alliance on Living Income in Cocoa (ALICo)
9. Regional Norm on Sustainable Cocoa
10. Legislative Developments in the European Union Concerning Due Diligence and Responsible Business Conduct
11. Food Safety Challenges related to the review of the European Union regulatory landscape on Plant Protection Products
12. Other business
13. Record of decisions

## ANNOTATIONS TO THE DRAFT AGENDA

### 1. OPENING OF THE MEETING

The fifteenth 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. REPORT OF THE CHAIRMAN OF THE CONSULTATIVE BOARD

The Committee will receive a report from the Chairman of the Consultative Board on the Board's fortieth meeting.

### 4. THE WORLD COCOA MARKET: CURRENT SITUATION AND FORECASTS

The Committee will receive a presentation on the current situation of the world cocoa market and its prospects, with reference to document EC/15/2.

### 5. MONITORING AND EVALUATION FRAMEWORK OF THE GLOBAL COCOA AGENDA

The Secretariat will provide an update on its proposal for a monitoring and evaluation framework of the Global Cocoa Agenda and recommended next steps, with reference to EC/14/9/Rev.1.

### 6. PREMIUM COCOA

The pursuit of improved cocoa quality can contribute to the increase in value addition at farm level; it can also trigger a series of positive spillover effects along the whole value chain. The Secretariat will explore these aspects in a *concept note* with reference EC/15/3 and a *reflexion paper* contained in EC/15/4.

### 7. MARKET PROSPECTS FOR COCOA SEMI-FINISHED PRODUCTS

The Secretariat will present orally the final results of an ICCO-commissioned study on the market prospects for cocoa semi-finished products.

### 8. ALLIANCE ON LIVING INCOME IN COCOA (ALICo)

A member of ALICo will brief this Committee on the progress of this initiative.

### 9. REGIONAL NORM ON SUSTAINABLE COCOA

Côte d'Ivoire or Ghana will brief this Committee on the state of play of this initiative to develop a joint regional sustainability standard.

**10. LEGISLATIVE DEVELOPMENTS IN THE EUROPEAN UNION CONCERNING DUE DILIGENCE AND RESPONSIBLE BUSINESS CONDUCT**

The European Union will brief this Committee on the state of play of the various EU initiatives regarding due diligence and responsible business conduct.

**11. FOOD SAFETY CHALLENGES RELATED TO THE REVIEW OF THE EUROPEAN UNION REGULATORY LANDSCAPE ON PLANT PROTECTION PRODUCTS**

The Secretariat will present an overview of the discussions of the Consultative Board on the potential impact on the cocoa supply chain of the review of the EU regulatory landscape on plant protection products (review of EU regulations on PPP and maximum residue limits).

**12. OTHER BUSINESS**

Matters not on the agenda may be raised for consideration.

**13. RECORD OF DECISIONS**

The Committee will take its record of decisions as read.