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To: All Members, non-Members and Observers

From: The Executive Director

Subject: Call for submission of country dossiers to the Ad Hoc Panel on Fine

Flavour Cocoa:13-14 June 2023, Radisson Blu Hotel, Antananarivo,

Madagascar

The Executive Director presents his compliments and has the honour to inform Members, non-Members and Observers that the meeting of the *Ad Hoc* Panel on Fine Flavour Cocoa (the "Panel") is scheduled for **13-14 June 2023 at the Radisson Blu Hotel in Antananarivo, Madagascar.**

The purpose of the meeting is to update the list of countries contained in Annex C of the International Cocoa Agreement (ICA), 2010 and to revise their export shares of fine flavour cocoa beans, in accordance with Article 39 of the ICA, 2010.

In view of the above, all cocoa-producing countries wishing to be assessed for production and export of fine flavour cocoa and to be listed in Annex C of the ICA, 2010 are hereby requested to:

- o Get acquainted with the internal rules of the Panel adopted at the 104th session of the International Cocoa Council in September 2021 as contained in document ICC/104/6/Rev.2 enclosed; and
- Complete the attached technical information dossier, <u>in English only</u>, and submit it to Ms. Charlotte Martin, Sustainability Development Officer, email: <u>Charlotte.Martin@icco.org</u> by close of business on Friday 28 April 2023.

The Executive Director wishes to recall that, as foreseen in the internal rules of the Panel, each country submitting a dossier to the Panel must be represented either in person or virtually at the meeting of the Panel, on 13-14 June 2023 at the Radisson Blu Hotel, in Antananarivo, Madagascar, to present their technical dossier.

All countries having participated in the 2019 Edition of the Panel in Abidjan, Côte d'Ivoire, can have access to their previous technical information dossier by sending a specific request to: Charlotte.Martin@icco.org

Please note that all <u>non-ICCO Member countries</u> willing to submit a technical dossier for the consideration of the *Panel*, will be required to pay a fee in accordance with the World Bank classification by income¹, as detailed below.

LEVEL OF INCOME	FEES
Low-income economies	€ 1,000
Lower-middle-income economies	€ 2,000
Upper-middle-income economies	€ 5,000
High-income economies	€ 10,000

It should be noted that once their dossier has been submitted, non-ICCO Member countries will receive from the ICCO Secretariat a **debit note payable by bank transfer within 30 days**. The non-payment of the fee will result in the non-examination of the country dossier by the Panel.

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¹ https://datahelpdesk.worldbank.org/knowledgebase/articles/906519