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Invitation to attend a Workshop on the potential for diversification in coffee exporting countries

1. The Executive Director presents his compliments and has the pleasure of inviting Members and observers to attend a Workshop on the potential for diversification in coffee exporting countries. The Workshop will take place from 09.45 to 13.00 on Wednesday, 24 May 2006 at the headquarters of the Organization at 22 Berners Street, London, during the week of the 95<sup>th</sup> Session of the International Coffee Council. Simultaneous interpretation will be provided in English, French, Portuguese and Spanish. A copy of the preliminary programme is attached.

2. The Workshop is being organized by the Natural Resources Institute (NRI), the Project Executing Agency of the second phase of the ICO/CFC project "Worldwide comparative analysis of coffee growing areas", which has been financed by the Common Fund for Commodities (CFC). This phase of the project aims to identify the conditions for successful diversification and produce a tool that can be used by policy makers to enable the design, and implementation of operationally feasible programmes that accelerate the process of diversification, remove constraints and improve the livelihoods of poor people significantly. The first phase, financed by the European Commission, was completed in September 2004 and a report on a quantitative tool for assessing the competitiveness of coffee growing areas was circulated on a CD-Rom (see also document ICC-91-6). The second phase involves a study on the potential for diversification in coffee exporting countries. Representatives of the NRI along with various authors of country case studies will present the main findings and recommendations of this study. The recommendations and comments of the participants will be incorporated in the final study report.

3. The workshop is free of charge and is open to all interested participants. If you would like to attend the meeting, please complete and return the attached form to the ICO **by 10 May 2006**, either by email: info@ico.org, or by fax: +44 (0) 207 580 6129. Members who have already sent their credentials do not need to complete the attendance form.

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## PRELIMINARY PROGRAMME

## Workshop on the potential for diversification in coffee exporting countries (Project ICO/CFC/10FT)

## Council chamber, International Coffee Organization 22 Berners Street, London Wednesday, 24 May 2006 (09.45 – 13.00) Open to all interested ICO delegates and observers

## Chairman: Mr. G.V. Krishna Rau, Chairman, Coffee Board of India

## 09.45 – 10.10 Opening remarks

- Dr Néstor Osorio, Executive Director, International Coffee Organization
- Mr. G.V. Krishna Rau, Chairman, Coffee Board of India
- Special guest: Dr Donald Kaberuka, President, African Development Bank Group
- Special guest: Mr. Mehmet Arda, Head Commodities Branch, UNCTAD

## 10.10 - 10.30 Overview of the CFC/ICO Study on the potential for diversification in coffee exporting countries

- Mr. Caleb Dengu, First Project Manager, Common Fund for Commodities (CFC)
- Dr Peter Greenhalgh, Principal Economist, Trade and Finance Group, Natural Resources Institute (NRI), Project Team Leader

#### 10.30 – 10.45 Summary of main findings and recommendations

• Dr Anne Tallontire, Research Fellow, Natural Resources and Ethical Trade Programme, NRI

## 10.45 – 12.15 Country case study presentations and discussions

- 10.45 11.00 India: Mr. G.V. Krishna Rau, Chairman, Coffee Board of India
- 11.00 11.15 Honduras and Nicaragua: Mr. Ulrich Kleih, Marketing Economist, NRI
- 11.15 11.30 Malawi: Mr. France Gondwe, Economist, ICO/CFC project, Malawi
- 11.30 11.45 Uganda: Mr. Apollo Kamugisha, Uganda Coffee Development Authority, Uganda
- 11.45 12.00 Tanzania: Dr Peter Greenhalgh, Principal Economist, Trade and Finance Group, NRI, Project Team Leader
- 12.00 12.15 Zimbabwe: Mr. Julius Mathende, Economist, Coffee research, Zimbabwe
- 12.15 12.30 General discussion and questions and answers
- **12.30 12.45** The way forward
  - Dr Peter Greenhalgh (NRI), Project Team Leader
- 12.45 13.00 Chairman's concluding remarks
- Rapporteur: Dr J. Davis / Dr D.R. Hall, NRI

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## ATTENDANCE FORM

**I will/ will not\*** attend the ICO/CFC Workshop on the potential for coffee diversification in coffee exporting countries to be held at the International Coffee Organization in London on 24 May 2006.

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