



Projects Committee

4th Meeting

27 September 2012 (09:30)

London, United Kingdom

Draft Agenda

Item	Document
1. Draft Agenda – to adopt	PJ-33/12
2. Coffee development projects	to follow
2.1 Projects under consideration by the ICO – to consider	to follow
New and revised project proposals for consideration in March 2013 should reach the ICO by 14 December 2012 . The Executive Director will introduce the report of the Virtual Screening Subcommittee (VSS) on new and revised project proposals.	
2.2 Projects under consideration by the Common Fund for Commodities (CFC) – to note	to follow
The Executive Director will report on projects under consideration by the CFC, including projects considered by the CFC Project Appraisal Committee and Consultative Committee in July 2012.	
2.3 Projects already approved by the CFC – to note	to follow
A progress report on the implementation of projects approved by the CFC will be circulated.	
3. Procedures for submitting and reviewing projects – to consider	to follow
In September 2011, the Council decided that the Virtual Screening Subcommittee (VSS) should continue to operate for a further interim period until arrangements for the technical screening of projects under the 2007 Agreement had been finalized. Both the draft assessment document for projects and the VSS report have now been revised as part of the review of technical screening arrangements. The Committee is invited to consider whether the VSS should be established as a permanent Subcommittee.	

4. Project activities under the International Coffee Agreement (ICA) 2007 – to consider verbal

Future financing: The Committee will discuss identification of sources of funding for project and cooperation with other agencies. At previous meetings, Members have been requested to send specific suggestions on sources of finance to the Secretariat.

Common Fund for Commodities: The representative of the CFC will report on the future role and mandate of the CFC.

International Coffee Genomics Network (ICGN): The representative of the ICGN will report on progress on sequencing the coffee genome and the results of a survey among its members on prioritizing new projects.

5. African coffee sector – to consider to follow

As suggested during the last meeting, the representative of the African Fine Coffees Association (AFCA) will report on the outlook for African coffee and the strategy adopted by AFCA.

6. Gender analysis – to consider to follow

The Committee will consider the inclusion of gender analysis in new proposals. The Projects Officer will report on lessons from previous projects that have successfully included it.

7. Cooperation with other agencies – to note verbal

Brazilian Agency for Cooperation (ABC): The Projects Officer will report on the implementation of the Memorandum of Understanding with Brazil to promote triangular technical cooperation in coffee producing countries.

United Nations Development Programme (UNDP): At the last meeting, Members were reminded to send information about national plans and strategies for coffee and sustainability to the ICO, to enable the Secretariat to develop cooperation with the UNDP Green Commodities Facility on sustainable coffee projects.

8. Other business – to note

verbal

Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson for 2012/13: The Council will approve the composition of the Committee for 2012/13 during its 109th Session in September 2012. At its first meeting in March 2013, the Committee will appoint a Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson for 2012/13.

9. Date of next meeting – to note

verbal

The next meeting will take place in London at the time of the 110th Council Session from 4 to 8 March 2013.