



**7th Consultative Forum on
Coffee Sector Finance**

Terms of reference and Programme

1. The Executive Director presents his compliments and has the pleasure of inviting Members, Private Sector Consultative Board (PSCB) associations and observers to attend the 7th Consultative Forum which will take place at the Hôtel des Parlementaires, Quartier Millionnaire, Yamoussoukro, Côte d'Ivoire, during the week of the 120th Session of the Council on Wednesday, 27 September 2017 from 09:30 to 18:00. The event will be chaired by Mr Juan Esteban Orduz, President and CEO of the Colombian Coffee Federation, Inc.
2. The Forum will promote an exchange of views on 'Creating an Enabling Environment for High Productivity in Coffee Farming'. Given the reduced availability of new land for agricultural use, one of the most important challenges to the sustainability of coffee production is to increase the productivity of land already under cultivation. Yields vary widely among coffee producing countries and great potential for improvement exists. This year's Forum will focus on sharing best practices and lessons learned from countries that have successfully created an enabling environment for high productivity in coffee farming. The day will be split into sessions during which country cases with a wide regional coverage will be presented. The country cases will be followed by a concluding panel discussion with all the speakers engaging in a lively debate and answering questions from the audience.
3. Interpretation in the four official languages (English, French, Portuguese and Spanish) will be available.
4. This document contains the terms of reference and the programme for the Forum.

Registration

5. If you would like to attend, please complete and return the attached form to the ICO by email: eldred@ico.org **by 11 September 2017**. Members who have already sent their credentials do not need to complete the attendance form.

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27 SEPTEMBER 2017

TERMS OF REFERENCE

Background

1. The International Coffee Agreement 2007 provides for a Consultative Forum on Coffee Sector Finance to 'facilitate consultation on topics related to finance and risk management in the coffee sector, with a particular emphasis on the needs of small- and medium-scale producers.'

Date and venue

2. The 7th Consultative Forum will take place at the Hôtel des Parlementaires in Yamoussoukro from 09:30 to 18:00 on Wednesday 27 September 2017 during the week of the 120th Session of the International Coffee Council.

Objective

3. The Forum will promote an exchange of views on 'Creating an Enabling Environment for High Productivity in Coffee Farming'. Given the reduced availability of new land for agricultural use, one of the most important challenges to the sustainability of coffee production is to increase the productivity of land already under cultivation. Yields vary widely among coffee producing countries and significant potential for improvement exists. This year's Forum will focus on sharing best practices and lessons learned from countries that have successfully created an enabling environment for high productivity in coffee farming.

Structure

4. The day will be split into sessions during which country cases with a wide regional coverage will be presented. The country cases will be followed by a concluding panel discussion with all the speakers engaging in a lively debate and answering questions from the audience.

Participants

5. The event will be attended by ICO Members, observers and private sector representatives. In addition, the Forum will be open to interested members of the coffee community and the press who may register via email to eldred@ico.org.

Dissemination of Forum results

6. The results of the 7th Forum will be disseminated as follows:
- Copies of presentations, reports, press releases, news items and audio recordings of the speakers will be posted on the home page and the Forum section of the ICO website. They will also be distributed electronically to Members, PSCB and non-member countries with a request to disseminate the results of the Forum as widely as possible to representatives of the coffee sector and policy-makers in their countries.
 - Journalists covering coffee will be briefed about the outcomes at a press briefing during the week of the meetings.
 - A summary of the proceedings of the Forum will be included in the Annual Review.



As at 27 September (a.m.)

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CREATING AN ENABLING ENVIRONMENT FOR HIGH PRODUCTIVITY IN COFFEE FARMING

Wednesday, 27 September 2017 (09:30 – 17:00)

Hôtel Président, Yamoussoukro, Côte d'Ivoire

- 08:30 – 09:30 **Registration and coffee**
- 09:30 – 10:00 **Welcome and opening remarks:**
- Mr José Sette – Executive Director, International Coffee Organization (ICO)
 - Mr Juan Esteban Orduz – Chairman of the Consultative Forum, President and CEO, Colombian Coffee Federation, Inc.
- 10:00 – 10:15 **Overview of World Coffee Productivity Levels**
- Dr Denis Seudieu – Head of Operations a.i., International Coffee Organization
- 10:15 – 11:00 **Brazil**
- Mr Silas Brasileiro – Executive President, National Coffee Council (CNC)
- 11:00 – 11:15 **Coffee break**
- 11:15 – 12:00 **Colombia**
- Dr Hernando Duque Orrego – Technical Director, National Federation of Coffee Growers of Colombia (Fedecafé)
- 12:00 – 12:45 **Honduras**
- H.E. Mr Iván Romero-Martínez, Ambassador of Honduras to the United Kingdom
- 12:45 – 14:15 **Lunch break**
- 14:15 – 15:00 **Development of coffee research to improve productivity in Côte d'Ivoire**
- Mr Hyancinthe Legnate – Head of Coffee Research Programme, National Agricultural Research Centre (CNRA)
- 15:00 – 15:45 **Roundtable discussion/Closing remarks**
- 15:45 – 16:00 **Coffee break**
- 16:00 – 16:45 **World Coffee Producers Forum – Conclusions**
- Roberto Vélez – Director General, National Federation of Coffee Growers of Colombia

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ATTENDANCE FORM

I will/will not* attend the 7th Consultative Forum on 27 September 2017 (a separate form should be completed for each participant).

Name of ICO Member country/PSCB association/observer:

Name:

Position:

Organization/company:

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The event is free of charge

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