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 ICO Seminar on the Coffee Berry Borer (CBB) from 14:30 to 18:30 on Tuesday, 17 March 2009. The event will take place at the headquarters of the Organization at 22 Berners Street, London, during the week of the 102nd Session of the Council (information about these meetings has been circulated previously in document ED-2052/08). Simultaneous interpretation will be provided in English, French, Portuguese and Spanish.

2. The objective of the Seminar is to provide information to Members on the results of initiatives to combat the pest, the latest developments in control measures and regional issues associated with the CBB. The event will be chaired by Dr Romano Kiome of Kenya. A copy of the preliminary programme is attached.

3. The Executive Director wishes to recommend representation at the event by all ICO Member Governments, to ensure wide-ranging discussions on this important topic.

4. The Seminar is free of charge and is open to ICO Members, representatives of PSCB associations and invited observers. For all other participants from interested institutions, there is a registration fee of £50 to help defray costs.

Registration

5. If you would like to attend, please complete and return the attached form to the ICO by 2 March, either by email: deschamp@ico.org, or by fax: +44 (0) 20 7612 0630. Members who have already sent their credentials do not need to complete the attendance form.
DRAFT PROGRAMME
ICO SEMINAR ON THE COFFEE BERRY BORER (CBB)
Tuesday, 17 March 2009 (14:30 – 18:30)

13:30 – 14:30 Registration

14:30 – 14:40 Opening remarks

- Mr Néstor Osorio, Executive Director, International Coffee Organization
- Chairman: Dr Romano Kiome, Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Agriculture (Kenya)

14:40 – 15:10 Overview of the results of an ICO project to combat the CBB

- Dr Peter Baker, Project Development Coordinator, CABI Bioscience: General overview of status and impact of the CBB.
- Mr Caleb Dengu, First Project Manager, Common Fund for Commodities: Overview of results of ICO project to combat the CBB, including information available from the preliminary impact assessment of the CFC.

15:10 – 16:30 Developments in measures to combat the CBB

- Dr Fernando E. Vega, Research Entomologist, Sustainable Perennial Crops Laboratory, US Department of Agriculture: The CBB, *Hypothenemus hampei*: a short review with recent findings and future research directions.
- Dr Juliana Jaramillo, Visiting Scientist, African Insect Science for Food and Health (ICIPE): Back to Africa: understanding the biology and biological control of the coffee berry borer.
  This presentation will emphasize findings on known and new natural enemies of CBB and cover certain aspects of basic biology of the pest such as predictions on the effects of global warming on the dynamics of the insect.
- Dr Cesar Augusto Domingues Teixeira, Researcher, EMBRAPA, Brazil: This presentation will introduce results obtained from research into the control of the CBB in Robusta coffee.
- Dr Francisco Infante, Researcher, Department of Tropical Entomology, ECOSUR, Mexico: Latin American natural enemies of the coffee berry borer, with emphasis on the nematode *Metaparasitylenchus hypothenemi*.
  Ever since the CBB was introduced to the American continent in the early 1900s, many predators and parasitoids of this pest have been discovered. Among these, the nematode *Metaparasitylenchus hypothenemi* could play an important role in regulating natural population levels of the CBB.

16:30 – 17:00 Discussion and questions

17:00 – 18.00 Regional issues: Speakers will present the experiences of their country and other countries in the region with the CBB, together with developments and solutions which would be appropriate for the region and other relevant issues.

- **Latin America and Caribbean:** Dr Gabriel Cadena, Director of the National Coffee Research Centre, CENICAFFE, Colombia
- **Africa:** Dr Africano Kangire, Director of Research, National Agricultural Research Organization, Uganda
- **Asia-Oceania:** Dr P. K. Vinod Kumar, Head, Division of Entomology, Central Coffee Research Institute, Coffee Board of India

18.00 – 18:30 General discussion and questions and answers

Chairman’s concluding remarks

Rapporteur: Mr José Sette
ICO SEMINAR ON THE COFFEE BERRY BORER
17 March 2009 (14.30)

ATTENDANCE FORM

I will/will not* attend the ICO Seminar on the Coffee Berry Borer on 17 March 2009 (a separate form should be completed for each participant).

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The Seminar is free of charge to ICO Members, representatives of the PSCB associations and invited observers. For all other participants, there is a registration fee of £50 payable in cash or by cheque.

To be completed by fee-paying participants only

( ) I enclose a registration fee of £50 (N.B. cheques must be drawn on a UK bank payable to the International Coffee Organization)

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