1. The Executive Director presents his compliments and, for the information of Members, attaches an updated programme for the ICO Workshop on implementing the Consultative Forum on Coffee Sector Finance from 14:30 to 18:00 on Tuesday, 22 September 2009. The event will take place at the headquarters of the Organization at 22 Berners Street, London, during the week of the 103rd Session of the Council (information about these meetings is contained in document ED-2063/09). Simultaneous interpretation will be provided in English, French, Portuguese and Spanish.

2. The objective of the Workshop is to advance preparations for the first meeting of the Consultative Forum for Coffee Sector Finance through a discussion of specific ideas for the work of, and arrangements for, the Forum. The results of the Workshop will be reported to the Council for consideration.

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 Workshop is open to all ICO Members. Private Sector Consultative Board (PSCB) associations and accredited observers to the Council are also invited to attend the Workshop.
DRAFT PROGRAMME
ICO WORKSHOP ON IMPLEMENTING THE CONSULTATIVE FORUM ON COFFEE SECTOR FINANCE
Tuesday, 22 September 2009 (14:30 – 18:00)

14:30 – 14:35 Opening remarks by the Chairman (Mr Néstor Osorio, Executive Director, International Coffee Organization)

14:35 – 15:30 The following representatives will make presentations of 5-10 minutes on bilateral assistance to the coffee sector and the work and possible contributions of the Forum:

Bilateral
- Nicola Arbace, Managing Director and Massimo Battaglia, Coffee Area Officer, Istituto Agronomico per l’Oltremare, Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Italy
- Elena Rueda, Programme Officer for Social and Ecological Standards, Deutsche Gesellschaft für Technische Zusammenarbeit (GTZ) GmbH, Germany
- Vicente González Cano, Executive Director, Fundación ETEA para el Desarrollo y la Cooperación, Spain
- Max Schnellmann, Counsellor (Economics Affairs, Commodities), Embassy of Switzerland (on behalf of State Secretariat for Economic Affairs (SECO)
- U.S. Agency for International Development (to be confirmed)

Multilateral
- Caleb Dengu, First Project Manager, Common Fund for Commodities

15:30 – 16:00 Discussion

16:00 – 17:45 Specific arrangements for the Forum

Participants will consider the following matters, prior to consideration by the Council during its 103rd Session:

Proposals for Chairman and Vice-Chairman

The terms of reference for the Forum provide that the Council shall appoint the Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Forum for a period of one year, which may be extended for a further year.

Composition and terms of reference of Steering Committee

Document WP-Forum 2/09 contains draft terms of reference for a Steering Committee to organize and promote the work of the Forum.

Date of Forum

The terms of reference for the Forum provide that it shall be convened at least once a year, in conjunction with a Session of the Council.

Agenda of the Forum

Participants will be invited to propose priorities and topics for consideration at the first meeting of the Forum, together with suggestions for expert speakers, activities, a time-frame and indicators for the Forum.

Proposals for organizations to be invited to participate in the Forum (including intergovernmental organizations (IGOs), financial institutions, private sector and non-governmental organizations (NGOs))

Document WP-Forum 3/09 contains proposals for participants for consideration.

Financing of the Forum

Under the provisions of Article 31 of the ICA 2007, the Forum shall be self-financing. Document WP-Forum 1/09 outlines the theoretical costs of convening the Forum. Participants will be invited to propose mechanisms to make the Forum self-financing.

17:45 – 18:00 Chairman’s concluding remarks