The Government of Cameroon, in collaboration with IACO and the African Development Bank, wishes to inform all Delegations attending this meeting, that the 1st African Coffee Forum will be held on 19 and 20 November 2007 in Yaoundé, Cameroon.

This two-day forum will be centred on the following features:

1. A presentation on the value chain and logistics of coffee in various countries.

2. Communications and discussions on the following subjects:
   – Coffee and health;
   – Coffee and the environment;
   – Medium-term coffee market prospects.

3. A round-table on the specific difficulties hampering the development of the coffee sector in Africa.

4. Activities and promotions.

It should be noted that apart from the 25 IACO Member countries who will be exhibiting their coffees and technological expertise, any other producing countries wishing to exhibit are welcome to Yaoundé.

We are also expecting participation by equipment suppliers and other operators from consuming countries.
It may be noted that a 9m$^2$ stand will be made available free of charge to participants who have notified their wish to participate in this event before 15 October 2007.

Arrangements will also be made to provide comfortable travelling facilities for participants and their equipment between Douala, the point of entry into Cameroon, and Yaoundé, which is providing the venue for the Forum.

Finally, we would like to recall that Cameroon is a fully bilingual country (English/French), which can offer you not only the best football and very good coffee but also all of Africa’s climates, fauna and flora in a single country, a characteristic that has earned Cameroon its nickname of “Africa in miniature”.

Take this opportunity to register now; you will be very welcome.

During the forthcoming week IACO will be circulating all the relevant and useful information to all Delegations present at this meeting.

SEE YOU ALL SOON IN CAMEROON!

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