Promotion Committee
13th meeting
22 May 2008
London, England

Contribution to the 22nd International Conference on Coffee Science – ASIC

Background

1. A communication from the Chairman of the Organizing Committee of the 22nd International Conference on Coffee Science concerning financial support for the Conference to be held in Campinas, Brazil from 14 to 19 September 2008 is attached.

2. Contributions from the Promotion Fund for the Association for Science and Information on Coffee (ASIC) Conferences have been made on previous occasions, including US$20,000 for the ASIC Conference held in Nairobi, Kenya in 1997, US$10,000 for the 20th ASIC Conference held in Bangalore, India in 2004 (document PC-22/04), and US$5,000 for the 21st ASIC Conference held in Montpelier, France in 2006 (document PC-36/06). On this occasion the contribution would be used to support the attendance of young scientists from producing countries.

3. The current uncommitted cash balance held by the Promotion Fund established by exporting Members under previous International Coffee Agreements is US$70,0001.

Action

Exporting Members are invited to consider the request for a contribution of US$10,000 from the Promotion Fund for the 22nd ASIC Conference to be held in Brazil in September 2008 and, if appropriate, to authorize the Executive Director to arrange payment of an agreed amount to ASIC.

1 This figure has been reached after deducting monies still to be paid from the current cash balance to the consultant relating to the ICO Network to promote consumption.
Mr. Nestor Osório  
ICO Executive Director  
London

Dear Mr. Nestor Osório,

I would like to request ICO’s sponsoring/support for some young scientists and participants from coffee producing countries to attend the 22nd International Conference on Coffee Science - ASIC 2008, to be held in Brazil, from September 14th -19th.

The scientific committee has screened the assistance need based on their feedback. I propose you to support especially the 4 scientists from India and the 3 ones from Latin America. Would it be also possible to support 3 more scientists from Africa? Based on our evaluation I wonder if it could be possible for ICO to support the whole travel expenses of these scientists.
I’m at your disposal for any further information or clarification and I look forward to hearing from you.

Attached I’m also sending you the (pdf) file containing the roll of all scientists selected by the scientific committee from ASIC.

Best regards,

Aldir Alves Teixeira  
President of the Organizing Committee  
22nd International Conference on Coffee Science  
ASIC 2008 – Campinas - Brazil