



## **PRESS RELEASE**

**ICO ED, Vanúsia Nogueira, meets with HE Natalia Royo de Hagerman, Ambassador of Panama to the United Kingdom**



HE Natalia Royo de Hagerman,  
Amb. of Panama and ICO ED,  
Vanúsia Noqueira

**London, 15 July 2022** –The International Coffee Organization’s Executive Director (ICO ED), Vanúsia Nogueira, met with HE Natalia Royo de Hagerman, Ambassador of Panama, on 14 July to discuss the challenges facing the coffee sector globally, as well as with specific reference to the Panamanian sector.

During the meeting, they discussed a range of issues under consideration and the importance of achieving meaningful outcomes, in particular regarding the next steps of the International Coffee Agreement 2022.

The ICO ED reiterated strong support for implementing potential joint activities with the specialty coffee segment, involving producers from Panama who to this day produce the most expensive coffees in the world.

Ms Nogueira also highlighted the ICO’s approach whereby new regulations and due diligence are used to manage current and future challenges and opportunities affecting the sector. Finally, HE Ms Royo de Hagerman and Ms Nogueira underlined the importance of maintaining positive and productive negotiations in order to identify practical solutions that strengthen Panama’s engagement with the ICO.

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## **NOTES TO EDITORS**

### **International Coffee Organization (ICO)**

The International Coffee Organization (ICO) is the only multilateral organization supporting exporting and importing countries to improve the sustainability of the coffee sector. It provides a high-level forum for all public and private stakeholders in the sector; official statistics on coffee production, trade and consumption; and support for the development and funding of technical cooperation projects and public-private partnerships.

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