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## International Coffee Agreement 2007 enters into force

The International Coffee Agreement (ICA) 2007 governing international cooperation on coffee, entered into force on 2 February 2011. It is the 7<sup>th</sup> ICA since 1962 and will last for 10 years, with the possibility of extension for a further eight years.

"I would like to thank all ICO Member Governments for their commitment to ratifying the ICA 2007. I would also like to extend a warm welcome to five new Member Governments, Liberia, Timor-Leste, Tunisia, Turkey and Yemen who will increase the geographical representation of coffee producers and consumers under the new Agreement. The ICA 2007 is an important instrument for development cooperation and will promote a sustainable coffee economy for the benefit of all stakeholders particularly small farmers in producing countries," said José Sette, Executive Director a.i.

The entry into force was triggered by the deposit of an instrument of ratification on 2 February 2011 by the Government of Brazil. To date 34 Governments have ratified, accepted or approved the Agreement and a further 13 Governments have signed it.

The objective of the Agreement is to strengthen the global coffee sector and promote its sustainable expansion in a market-based environment for the betterment of all participants in the sector. Important innovations include a new Chapter on the development and funding of coffee development projects, and the establishment of a Consultative Forum on Coffee Sector Finance, responding to the need for increased access to information on topics

related to finance and risk management in the coffee sector. The range of statistical data will be expanded, enhancing market transparency, and a new Promotion and Market Development Committee will oversee activities including information campaigns, research, capacity-building and studies related to coffee production and consumption.

In 2010, the world coffee trade generated export earnings of around US\$16.5 billion for producing countries. Around 600 billion cups of coffee are consumed every year.

The text of the Agreement and more information can be found at: [www.ico.org](http://www.ico.org). A list of Members is attached as an Annex.

**About the ICO:** *The International Coffee Organization (ICO) is an intergovernmental organization created under the auspices of the United Nations to serve the international coffee community. Established in 1963, the ICO is unique in bringing producing and consuming countries together to exchange views on coffee matters and market conditions, and address coffee policies. In the last four calendar years, the value of world coffee exports averaged over US\$14 billion. Among the services provided by the ICO are: up-to-date information and statistics; innovative projects to benefit the world coffee economy; coffee market reports and economic studies; a coffee quality improvement programme; consultations on coffee sector finance; developing consumption through market development activities; and conferences and seminars.*

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**MEMBERSHIP OF THE INTERNATIONAL COFFEE ORGANIZATION  
UNDER THE INTERNATIONAL COFFEE AGREEMENT 2007**

The position of signatures, notification of provisional application and instruments of ratification, acceptance and approval as at **2 February 2011** is as follows:

	DATE OF SIGNATURE	NOTIFICATION OF PROVISIONAL APPLICATION	TYPE OF INSTRUMENT DEPOSITED	DATE OF DEPOSIT OF INSTRUMENT
<b>Exporting Members</b>				
Angola	19 May 2008		Approval	22 September 2009
Benin	23 September 2009			
Brazil	19 May 2008		Ratification	2 February 2011
Burundi	21 September 2009		Acceptance	21 September 2009
Cameroon	23 May 2008			
Central African Republic	22 May 2008		Ratification	24 August 2010
Colombia	20 May 2008	2 December 2008		
Congo, Dem. Rep. of	23 September 2009			
Costa Rica	29 May 2008		Ratification	11 December 2009
Côte d'Ivoire	18 July 2008		Approval	15 October 2008
Cuba	29 August 2008		Ratification	4 December 2008
Ecuador	30 September 2008		Ratification	30 September 2008
El Salvador	25 June 2008		Ratification	4 December 2008
Ethiopia	28 August 2008		Ratification	8 July 2010
Gabon	22 July 2008		Acceptance	25 February 2009
Ghana	11 July 2008		Ratification	17 August 2009
Guatemala	29 August 2008			
Guinea	2 July 2008			
Honduras	27 June 2008		Ratification	7 June 2010
India	28 August 2008		Ratification	22 September 2008
Indonesia	25 June 2008		Ratification	5 February 2009
Kenya	22 May 2008		Ratification	22 May 2008
Liberia	26 August 2008		Ratification	6 October 2009
Madagascar	25 September 2009			
Malawi	28 August 2008			
Mexico	23 June 2009		Ratification	8 April 2010
Nicaragua	19 March 2009		Ratification	12 August 2009
Nigeria	21 July 2008			
Panama	1 July 2008		Ratification	12 March 2009
Papua New Guinea	7 November 2008	6 November 2009		
Paraguay	27 September 2010			
Rwanda	18 July 2008			
Tanzania	23 July 2008	22 September 2009	Ratification	21 September 2010
Thailand	4 August 2009		Ratification	4 August 2009
Timor-Leste	19 August 2008		Ratification	5 January 2009
Togo	23 May 2008		Ratification	21 September 2010
Uganda	21 September 2009		Ratification	1 March 2010
Vietnam	28 August 2008		Approval	28 August 2008
Yemen	27 February 2008		Ratification	14 July 2010
Zambia	11 September 2009			
Zimbabwe	20 August 2009			

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<b>Importing Members</b>				
European Union	17 June 2008		Approval	17 June 2008
<i>Austria</i>				
<i>Belgium</i>				
<i>Bulgaria</i>				
<i>Cyprus</i>				
<i>Czech Republic</i>				
<i>Denmark</i>				
<i>Estonia</i>				
<i>Finland</i>				
<i>France</i>				
<i>Germany</i>				
<i>Greece</i>				
<i>Hungary</i>				
<i>Ireland</i>				
<i>Italy</i>				
<i>Latvia</i>				
<i>Lithuania</i>				
<i>Luxembourg</i>				
<i>Malta</i>				
<i>Netherlands</i>				
<i>Poland</i>				
<i>Portugal</i>				
<i>Romania</i>				
<i>Slovakia</i>				
<i>Slovenia</i>				
<i>Spain</i>				
<i>Sweden</i>				
<i>United Kingdom</i>				
Norway	2 June 2010		Ratification	21 September 2010
Switzerland	22 May 2008		Ratification	11 September 2009
Tunisia	5 October 2009		Ratification	21 September 2010
Turkey	28 August 2008			
United States of America	28 August 2008		Acceptance	28 August 2008