

## GROUP ON TROPICAL PRODUCTS

Sofitel Hotel, Warsaw, 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2008

### AGENDA

**Chairman:** Mathias N'Goan, President of ANOPACI, Côte d'Ivoire

#### OPENING SESSION

- 9:00 - 9:05 **Opening of the session** *by Mathias N'Goan, Chair IFAP's Group on Tropical Products*
- 9:05 - 9:15 **Welcome by the National Farmers Union of Poland** *by Władysław Serafin, President of KZRKiOR*
- 9:15 - 9:20 **Adoption of the Agenda** *(Document TP1 /08)*
- 9:20 - 9:30 **Introductory remarks by the Chair,** *Mathias N'Goan*

#### Theme 1: the Horticulture Sector

- 9:30 - 10:00 **Presentation of Global Horticulture Initiative** *(Document TP2 /08)*  
*By Rémi Kahane, Executive Secretary, Global Horticulture Initiative*
- 10:00 - 10:15 **The situation of ACP-banana producers** *(Document TP3 /08)*  
*By Mathias N'Goan, President of ANOPACI, Cote d'Ivoire*
- 10:15 - 10:30 **The situation of vanilla producers, and fair trade certification**  
*By Issa Mhadji, President of Syndicat National des Agriculteurs Comoriens (SNAC, Comores)* *(Document TP4 /08)*
- 10:30 - 11:00 *Coffee break*

## Theme 2: the Cotton Sector

11:00 - 11:30 **Situation and outlook in the world's cotton markets** (*Document TP5 /08*)  
*By Terry Townsend, Executive Director of the International Cotton Advisory Committee (ICAC)*

11:30 – 12:00 **Review of the impact of subsidies on international cotton markets**  
*By François Traoré, President of the African Cotton Producers' Association (APROCA) and President of the National Union of Cotton Producers of Burkina Faso* (*Document TP6 /08*)

12:00 - 12:30 **Presentation of Better Cotton Initiative**  
*By Allan Williams, Technical Co-ordinator and Lise Melvin, Initiative Manager, Better Cotton Initiative* (*Document TP7 /08*)

12:30 - 14:00 *Lunch*

## Theme 3: the Coffee and Cocoa Sectors

14:00 - 14:30 **Situation and outlook in the world's coffee and cocoa market, including the impact of quality and certification schemes on producers' incomes**  
*By Mr. Djikalou Saint-Cyr, Permanent Representative of Côte d'Ivoire to International Commodity Organisations in London\** (*Document TP8 /08*)

14:30 – 15:30 **Round table discussion on farmers' situation and challenges**  
*Panel members:* (*Document TP9 /08*)  
*-NUCAFE, Uganda: Hon. Gerald Ssendaula, Chairman;*  
*-Junta Nacional del Café, Peru: Lucila Quintana, President of Coordinadora Nacional de la Mujer Productora del Café y Cacao;*  
*-UNICAFES, Brazil: José Paulo Crisóstomo Ferreira, President.*

15:30 - 16:00 *Coffee break*

16:00 - 16:30 **'How can smallholder farmers increase their share of the benefits from cocoa revenue?'** (*Document TP10 /08*)  
*By Douei Benoît Behi, President FIRCA and Vice-President of ANAPROCI, Cote d'Ivoire*

## CLOSING SESSION

16:30 - 17:00 **Guest speaker: Risk Management in agriculture: climate change, desertification, diversification...** (*Document TP11 /08*)  
*By Frida Youssef, Coordinator Finance and Risk Management, UNCTAD Commodities Branch*

17:00 - 17:15 **Conclusions and recommendations** (*Document TP12 /08*)  
*By the chair*

17:15 - 17:30 **Election of officers**

17:30 *Adjournment*