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# COMMITTEE ON COMMODITY PROBLEMS

## Seventy-first Session

Rome, 4–6 October 2016

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## AGENDA NOTES

The 71st Session of the Committee on Commodity Problems (CCP) will be held from 4 to 6 October 2016. The Committee will adopt its Report in the afternoon of Thursday, 6 October 2016.

### 1. **Organizational matters**

#### 1.1 **Adoption of the Agenda and Timetable** (*CCP 16/1 Rev. 1; CCP 16/INF/1 Rev. 1; CCP 16/INF/4*)

As first item, the Committee will adopt the Agenda for the Session. The Provisional Agenda was prepared in consultation with the CCP Bureau, taking into consideration the Committee's terms of reference, the suggestions made at the 70th Session of the CCP and any relevant recommendation made by the Governing Bodies.

#### 1.2 Designation of the Drafting Committee

The Committee will designate the Chairperson and Members of the Drafting Committee of the Report.

### 2. **Statement by the Director-General** (*CCP 16/INF/5*)

### 3. **Chair's Summary of the Ministerial Meeting** (*CCP 16/INF/10; CCP 16/INF/11*)

A ministerial meeting will be held in FAO on 3 October 2016 on the theme of "Long-term Commodity Price Trends and Sustainable Agricultural Development". This will follow two ministerial meetings on food price volatility, held in October 2012 and October 2013, and a third meeting about commodity governance related issues held in October 2014. Under this item, the Chairperson of the ministerial meeting will present to the Committee his/her summary of the event.

### 4. **World Agricultural Commodity Markets: Situation and Outlook**

#### 4.1 Commodity market situation and short-term outlook (*CCP 16/2*)

Under this item, the Committee will be informed about the state of agricultural commodity markets and related policy developments and assess short-term projections for the major agricultural commodities. A background document entitled "Major market developments and short-term outlook" will inform the discussion.

#### 4.2 Medium-term outlook: trends and emerging issues (*CCP 16/3*)

The Committee will examine market prospects for the major food commodities over the next ten years (2016–25). The projections cover production, utilization, trade and prices. The Committee will also discuss the new drivers and major issues facing those markets over the medium term. The document entitled "Medium-term outlook for agricultural commodity markets: trends and emerging issues" will serve as background for the discussion.

### 5. **Policy and regulatory matters**

#### 5.1 The State of Agricultural Commodity Markets (SOCO) 2015–16: Trade and food security (*CCP 16/4*)

Under this item, the Committee will discuss the main findings of the flagship publication *The State of Agricultural Commodity Markets 2015–16: Trade and food security*. The report, which was launched in December 2015, discusses the relationship between trade and food security, bringing together different views on the impacts of agricultural trade on food security, and examines how

agricultural trade should be governed to ensure that increased trade openness can benefit all countries and lead to positive food security and nutrition outcomes.

#### 5.2 Update on WTO agricultural negotiations and Regional Trade Agreements (CCP 16/INF/6)

In December 2015, at the 10th Ministerial Conference of the World Trade Organization (WTO), agreement was reached on a number of trade rules known as the ‘Nairobi Package’. Under this agenda item, the Committee will receive an update on the latest developments in agricultural trade agreements, including the Nairobi Package and regional trade agreements (RTAs).

#### 5.3 The International Year of Pulses (CCP 16/INF/7)

The Committee will be informed about FAO’s engagement in the International Year of Pulses 2016, through a document presenting the various activities undertaken by the Organization for the celebration of the Year.

### 6. Programme matters

#### 6.1 FAO’s climate change strategy and the role of trade (CCP 16/5; CCP 16/6)

Under this item, the Committee will consider two documents: i) “Options for harnessing trade as an adaptation mechanism for climate change”; and ii) “FAO’s corporate Strategy on climate change”. The Strategy has been formulated to: guide FAO’s work on climate change; outline strategic choices and action priorities informed by FAO’s comparative advantages; and strengthen the impact of FAO’s work on climate change.

The agenda item will offer an opportunity for the Committee Members to provide guidance on the outcome areas identified in the FAO’s Strategy on climate change are consistent with the technical priorities within the mandate of the CCP in the context of FAO’s Vision and Goals, as well as on the suitability of the Strategy as a prospect to guide FAO’s technical expertise and deliver at global and country levels.

#### 6.2 Report of the Joint Meeting of the 38th Session of the Intergovernmental Group on Hard Fibres and the 40th Session of the Intergovernmental Group on Jute, Kenaf and Allied Fibres (CCP 16/INF/8)

#### 6.3 Report of the 22nd Session of the Intergovernmental Group on Tea (CCP 16/INF/9)

#### 6.4 FAO’s Programme of Work in trade and markets under the reviewed Strategic Framework (CCP 16/7)

The Committee on Commodity Problems plays an important role in shaping the priorities for FAO’s work in the area of trade and markets by providing guidance and input for the formulation and implementation of the Organization’s Programme of Work and Budget (PWB) and Medium Term Plan (MTP). Under this item, the Committee will review FAO’s achievements in the area of trade and markets in 2014–15 and examine the major trends and emerging issues that will influence future work. The Committee will also be invited to provide guidance on priorities for FAO’s work in trade and markets to be taken into account in developing the PWB 2018–19 and MTP 2018–21.

### 7. Governance Matters

#### 7.1 Review of the Consultative Sub-Committee on Surplus Disposal (CSSD) (CCP 16/9)

At its 70th Session, the Committee, considering the findings of a study commissioned by the Secretariat, decided to establish an Open-Ended Working Group of CCP members, under the leadership of the CCP Bureau, to review the future role of the CSSD and prepare recommendations for

consideration by the Committee. Under this agenda item, the Committee shall consider the recommendations that have emerged from the review process, for decision.

7.2 Name of the Committee on Commodity Problems (*CCP 16/10 Rev. 1 English only*)

At its last Session, the Committee asked the new Bureau to examine the name of the Committee, with a view to changing it. Under this item, the Committee will consider the recommendation of the CCP Bureau.

7.3 Multi-year Programme of Work (MYPOW) of the Committee on Commodity Problems: Report on MYPOW 2012–16 and draft MYPOW 2016–19 (*CCP 16/8*)

In line with the Immediate Plan of Action (IPA), the CCP, like the other technical committees, prepared in 2012 a MYPOW for the period 2012–16. The MYPOW is meant to serve as an instrument to improve effectiveness and governance. Under this agenda item, the Committee will receive a report on the MYPOW 2012–16 and review the new MYPOW for the period 2016–19.

8. **Other matters**

8.1 Election of the new Bureau Members

The Committee will elect the new members of the Bureau who will remain in office until the end of the next Session, when a new Bureau will be elected.

8.2 Arrangements for the Seventy-second Session

Under this agenda item, the Committee shall consider the dates of its next Session and any other relevant organizational matters.

8.3 Any Other Matters

The Committee may wish to raise any issue related to the present CCP Session as well as propose possible topics and agenda items for the next Session.

9. **Adoption of the report**

The Committee will consider the draft Report for adoption. The Report of the 71st Session will be submitted to FAO Council at its 155th Session (5–9 December 2016) and to the Conference at its 40th Session (3–8 July 2017).