Eighth Session of the Assembly
25-26 April 2023

Agenda Item 2

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Agenda of the Eighth Session of the Assembly

**Item 1. Opening of the Session by the President of the Assembly**

In accordance with Rule 7.2 of the Rules of Procedure of the Assembly, the President will preside over the session of the Assembly. The incumbent President is Cambodia (Mr. Hang Suntra) and the Vice President is Brunei Darussalam (Ms. Noralinda Haji Ibrahim)

**Item 2. Adoption of the Agenda**

The Assembly will be invited to adopt its agenda. [Document A-23-8-1]

**Item 3. Update on the Development of AFoCO Strategies**

**Item 3.1 Development of AFoCO Strategic Plan 2024-2030**

Pursuant of the Decision 43-V-21R, the Secretariat has been developing the AFoCO Strategic Plan 2024-2030. The Secretariat will update the Assembly on the on-going progress of the development and follow-up action to finalize the AFoCO Strategic Plan 2024-2030. [Document A-23-8-2]

*Action:* The Assembly will take note of the progress made and provide guidance in the development of the AFoCO Strategic Plan 2024-2030.

**Item 3.2 Promoting and enhancing climate-focused cooperation (for Decision)**

The Secretariat will introduce the preparation of the AFoCO Climate Action Plan as an approach to promote climate focused cooperation to upscale forest-based solutions through mobilization of funds from public, private, and alternative sources. [Document A-23-8-3]

*Action:* The Assembly will consider and support the AFoCO Climate Action Plan and
further make a decision on the allocation of fund from the Working Capital Reserve.

Item 4. **Update on Partner Countries and Partner Organization**
Following the discussion at the 7th Session of the Assembly, the Secretariat will present on the institutional background and information of the institutions that have submitted letters of intention to become Partner Organization to AFoCO. The Secretariat will further present the recommendations on the institutions. [Document A-23-8-4]

**Action**: The Assembly will consider and endorse the institutions as Partner Organization.

Item 5. **Operationalization of the Regional Office**
As the 5th Session of the Assembly in 2021 advised the Secretariat to provide further updates on the strengthening project performance and country presence of AFoCO in the Parties, the Secretariat will introduce the proposal of the establishment of a regional office for better implementation and efficient operation of projects in consideration of the new AFoCO Strategic Plan. [Document A-23-8-5]

**Action**: The Assembly will consider and endorse the proposal.

Item 6. **Terms and Tenure of the Executive Director (for Decision)**
As the follow-up action of the discussion at the 7th Meeting of the Executive Director Selection Committee (EDSC), the Chairperson of the 7th Meeting of the EDSC and the incumbent President of the Assembly proposed to include the update of the EDSC to the Assembly about the terms and tenure of the ED. The Secretariat will update the Assembly on the discussions from the 7th EDSC meeting, and the Assembly will elaborate to consider the agenda. [Document A-23-8-6]

**Action**: The Assembly will consider and make a decision on the matter as appropriate.

Item 7. **Other matters**
Update on Proposal on the Amendment of Staff Regulations and Financial Regulations [Document A-23-8-7]

**Action**: The Assembly will be invited to take note of the information.

Item 8. **Date and venue of the Sessions of the Assembly**
In 2023, two sessions of the Assembly is proposed – one as a regular session and the other one as a special session, subject to the decision of the Assembly. The Ninth Session will be organized in regular session. In accordance with Decision 16-I-18R, the regular session of the Assembly is convened in the Republic of Korea in the last week of October, unless otherwise decided.
Action: The Assembly will be invited to decide on the indicative dates and venue of the sessions.

Item 9. Summary Record of the Session
A draft report of the session will be prepared for adoption.

Item 10. Closing of the Session
The President will close the Session.